



# CITY OF BLUE LAKE

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Humboldt County Grand Jury  
825 Fifth Street  
Eureka, CA 95501

Pursuant to the Penal Code, Section 933.05, the City Council's response to the Grand Jury recommendations R1 and R2 pertaining to the topic of "How Do We Deal With Children In Crisis?" is listed below.

Recommendation R1 reads:

Crisis Intervention Training should be mandatory for all law enforcement officers. The Citizen Enforcement Liaison Committee and the Department of Health and Human Services have offered to pay for such training. (F3)

Response:

**The City contracts with the Humboldt County Sheriff for law enforcement services. The Sheriff is the best party to respond to this recommendation; however, the City Council encourages the Sheriff Department to provide training to appropriate staff with limited impact on scheduling and/or over-time.**

Recommendation for R2 reads:

The curriculum of Crisis Intervention Training should include responses to children younger than 16 in a life-threatening situation. (F3)

Response:

**The City Council supports any reasonable training that improves the capacity of law enforcement to peacefully resolve issues of this type.**

Thank you for providing the opportunity to respond. Please contact John Berchtold, City Manager if you require any further information.

Respectfully,

Sherman Schapiro, Mayor

On behalf of the City of Blue Lake City Council