

24. Approve the Proposed 2025-26 Budget for Grand Jury, including any supplemental materials, and take related actions, as outlined in the referenced budget documents, and as recommended by the County Executive Officer ()



County of Santa Cruz Board of Supervisors

Agenda Item Submittal

From: County Executive Office

Subject: Proposed 2025-26 Budget for the Grand Jury

Meeting Date: June 4, 2025

Formal Title: Approve the Proposed 2025-26 Budget for Grand Jury, including any supplemental materials, and take related actions, as outlined in the referenced budget documents, and as recommended by the County Executive Officer

Recommended Action

Approve the Proposed 2025-26 Budget for Grand Jury, including any supplemental materials, as provided in the referenced budget documents:

- [Proposed Budget](#)

Executive Summary

The Proposed 2025-26 Budget for the Grand Jury supports one division: Grand Jury, with no funded staffing.

Discussion

The Grand Jury is an independent body under the jurisdiction of the courts with primary responsibilities to perform an oversight function for local governments, initiate investigations, serve as ombudsman for citizens, and publish investigative findings and recommendations to improve governmental operations.

Budgeted funding will continue to support ongoing work, including investigating findings and recommendations to improve governmental operations. The department Proposed 2025-26 Budget document is available online at: www.SCCVision.us

Financial Impact

The Grand Jury Proposed Budget includes \$51,422 in expenditures and \$51,422 in General Fund contribution. This reflects a status quo budget with no total change from the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Adopted Budget.

Strategic Initiatives

Operational Plan – Comprehensive Health & Safety, Operational Excellence

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Recommended By:

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Artificial Intelligence Acknowledgment:

Artificial Intelligence (AI) did not significantly contribute to the development of this agenda item.