



March 24, 2014

Hon. Arthur A. Garcia
Santa Maria Juvenile Court
4263 California Blvd.
Santa Maria, CA 93455

Santa Barbara County Grand Jury
1100 Anacapa Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

RE: Response to Grand Jury Report "What is 2-1-1? Will It Survive in Santa Barbara County?"

This letter shall serve as the response to the Civil Grand inquiry dated February 10, 2014.

Finding 1

The Santa Barbara County 2-1-1 Helpline is a program that provides a valuable service to the residents of the county.

Response to Finding 1: The City of Solvang agrees with this finding.

Finding 3

There is insufficient funding to continue to operate the Santa Barbara County 2-1-1 Helpline Program.

Response to Finding 3: The City of Solvang agrees with this finding.

Finding 4

The cities of Santa Maria, Solvang, Buellton, Goleta, Carpinteria, and Guadalupe do not contribute financially to the Santa Barbara County 2-1-1 Helpline Program.

Response to Finding 4: The City of Solvang agrees that the City of Solvang does not directly contribute financially to this program.

Recommendation 3

That the county, the cities, and other entities benefitting from the services provided by the Santa Barbara County 2-1-1 Helpline Program contribute funding in proportionate amounts as proposed by county staff in its December 2013 recommendations to the Board of Supervisors.

Response to Recommendation 3: The City of Solvang agrees with this recommendation.

If you have any questions please contact me at 688-5575.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Vidro", written in a cursive style.

**Brad Vidro
City Manager**

cc: Solvang City Council