

2011-2012 GRAND JURY

JUR-2011-2012-002

REPORT

Trinity County Detention
Facility: Disaster Pending!

IT DEPARTMENT RESPONSE

GRAND JURY FOLEY PERSON



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TO: The Honorable James Woodward,
Judge of the Superior Court

FROM: Michael Singleton
Trinity County Network Administrator

SUBJECT: Response to Recommendations of 2011-12
Grand Jury Special Districts Committee Final Report

Re: JUR 2011/2012-002 -Trinity County Detention Facility Title Disaster Pending

DATE: July 2, 2012

The Grand Jury Special Districts Committee has requested a written response to their final report on the Trinity County Detention Facility. In my capacity as Network Administrator, my response is as follows:

Finding #1: The 8/15/11 response to the 2010-2011 Grand Jury Report stated, "The video system is failing and plans are underway to have it replaced in the coming weeks." Although new security cameras have been purchased (some time ago), to date, they have not been installed. At the time of the tour, only one of the old cameras appeared to be working.

Response: Agree.

Recommendation #1: It is imperative for the safety of the staff and inmates that the monitoring system be functional. It is the top priority for replacement. Complete the installation immediately.

Response: Will not be implemented by IT staff. The Sheriff's Department contracts out the installation of cameras for the jail. As the Network Administrator, neither I nor members of my department have been involved in setting up or maintaining jail cameras.

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Finding #6: Lack of supervisory personnel and funding has been the catch-all excuse for many years. With the County's limited resources, management must prioritize both staffing and funding needs.

Response: Agree.

Recommendation for 6a: To minimize the County's liability issues, management must prioritize resources for maintenance and repairs.

Recommendation for 6b: A strategic plan for funding a new facility should be developed and implemented immediately.

Response: As Trinity County's Network Administrator, this is out of my domain.