

August 9, 2005

The Honorable Clifford R. Anderson, III
Presiding Judge
1100 Anacapa Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Santa Barbara County Grand Jury
Charles Foley, Foreperson
1100 Anacapa Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

**Board of Supervisors' Response to FY 2004-05 County Grand Jury Report on
"Money Matters County Finances How it All Adds Up"**

Dear Judge Anderson:

During its regular meeting on August 9, 2005, the Board of Supervisors adopted the attached response to Finding 1 in the 2004-05 Grand Jury Report – "Money Matters County Finances How it All Adds Up".

The Board of Supervisors thanks the Grand Jury for its efforts on this important matter.

Sincerely,

Susan Rose
Chair, Board of Supervisors

Attachment

cc: Robert Geis, Auditor-Controller
Oscar Peters, Santa Barbara County Employees' Retirement System

BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S RESPONSE TO
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY 2004-05 GRAND JURY

FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATION

“Money Matters County Finances How it All Adds Up”

Finding 1: *Despite fiscal impacts resulting from State budget issues, County revenues can be expected to cover expenditures both this fiscal year and next.*

Response: Agree

Both the Fiscal Year 2004-05 and 2005-06 budgets are balanced. Summary schedules which present appropriations by countywide function and revenues by source are displayed in Section C (page C-1) of the FY 2004-05 and 2005-06 Budgets. The presentation consolidates expenditure appropriations and revenues. The public may access the County's Budget on-line at [County of Santa Barbara- Budget & Research](#) .

As of June 17, 2005, the date of the adoption of the County's FY 2005-06 budget, the State's budget was not yet adopted and the full impacts of any potential reductions were not known. On August 16, 2005, after the State Budget is adopted, the Board of Supervisors will consider financial impacts resulting from any State funding reductions and will also consider critical needs not funded in the adopted budget, in the event that additional funding becomes available.

The Board of Supervisors thanks the Grand Jury for its interest and hard work in bringing this important matter to the public's attention.