



June 1, 2018

Honorable Becky L. Dugan
Presiding Judge
Riverside County Superior Court
4050 Main Street
Riverside, CA 92501

Re: Response to 2017-2018 Grand Jury Report: Riverside County Sheriff's
Corrections Division Inmate Welfare Fund.

Dear Judge Dugan:

Pursuant to California Penal Code §§ 933 et seq., please find enclosed the response of the Riverside County Sheriff's Department to the above-entitled Grand Jury Report within the designated sixty (60) day time period.

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department is not in agreement with the Grand Jury's findings. However, some of the recommendations will be implemented in the future. We appreciate the Grand Jury's review of the Corrections Division Inmate Welfare Fund.

As always, please feel free to contact me should you have any questions regarding this or any other matter. I may be reached at (951) 955-0147.

Sincerely,

A blue ink handwritten signature, appearing to be "Stan Sniff", written in a cursive style.

STAN SNIFF, SHERIFF
RIVERSIDE COUNTY

Cc: Riverside County Board of Supervisors (c/o Clerk of the Board)

Enclosure – Response to Specific Findings and Recommendations with attached Exhibits
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RIVERSIDE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Response to Specific Findings and Recommendations

FINDINGS:

Number 1:

THE INMATE WELFARE FUND (IWF) OPERATES AS A CLOSED SYSTEM

The IWF operates as a closed system with little to no independent internal review and limited external review. The following policies listed below show the IWF is administered internally by the Inmate Welfare Fund Committee (IWFC) with an annual expense statement sent to the BOS.

IWF Policy 501.13 §2.0 states:

The Inmate Welfare Fund (IWF) shall be administered by a committee designated by the Sheriff. The IWF shall be governed by its own bylaws and procedures. The IWF determines how the fund monies are generated, through private contracts, and spent.

IWF Policy 501.13 §3.0 states:

The Inmate Welfare Fund committee will administer all revenue and expenditures from the IWF. Included are the commissary operations, telephone commissions, inmate welfare operations, and any other contracted services within this area.

The IWFC Bylaws and Policies state the IWFC consists of the following entities appointed by the Sheriff:

A: Voting Members:

- Corrections Division Chief Deputy (Support Services)
- Corrections Division Chief Deputy (Operations)
- Robert D. Presley Detention Center Commander
- Larry D. Smith Correctional Facility Commander
- Southwest Detention Center Commander (Facility now known as the Cois Byrd Detention Center)
- Indio Jail Commander (Facility now known as the John J. Benoit Detention Center)
- Blythe Jail Commander
- Coordinated Custody Management Commander
- Corrections Division Administrative Manager (SITE-B)

