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2011-2012 Comprehensive Final Report

The Yolo County Grand Jury completed its 2011-12 term with the release of the Comprehensive Final Report released June 30, 2012. There was a significant decrease in the number of citizen complaints received by this year's Grand Jury. The panel considered 10 citizen complaints compared to last year's 33 complaints. The Grand Jury also participated in two criminal investigations and two indictment hearings at the behest of the District Attorney.

This year's final report include five devoted to County operations and one covering a fire district. One report in particular received broad interest. The Yolo County Probation Department (YCPD) is using an outdated Policy manual which has contributed to inconsistent direction by supervisors and staff. Some staff and supervisors are not comfortable in expressing their concerns and do not believe that their concerns will be resolved. The office morale and employee productivity is affected by the lack of trust and understanding between employees and management.

The Yolo County Workforce Investment Board is comprised of a variety of member's from the community and business sector. The Grand Jury found that the board often lacked a quorum to conduct business and had a deficit number of business members. Business member's attendance at board meetings was sporadic with some members not attending at all.