TOWN OF FAIRFAX RESPONSE TO GRAND JURY REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS 2018-2019 Marin Civil Grand Jury Report School Resource Officers Revisited

The Marin County Civil Grand Jury recommends the following:

R1. SRO programs in Marin County should be retained or expanded where they now exist. SRO programs should be established to cover those school districts where they do not exist.

This recommendation will not be implemented as it is not reasonable or warranted.

Establishing or maintaining SRO's (the Town currently has none) would be a collaborative decision between the Ross Valley School District (RVSD) and Town. At this time, RVSD has not expressed an interest to discuss the need with the Town for an SRO in the middle school. There is no high school in Town.

R2. Municipalities, school districts, and law enforcement agencies in Marin County should make SRO programs a high budgetary priority.

This recommendation will not be implemented as it is not reasonable or warranted.

Making SRO's a "high budgetary priority" would be entirely dependent on the RVSD and the Town mutually agreeing this is high priority and each entity allocating resources to fund such a position.

R3. To insure continuity, each SRO should be assigned to serve for at least a four-year term.

This recommendation will not be implemented as it is not reasonable or warranted.

Assigning an SRO to a four-year term is not feasible in Fairfax due to such a small department with high turnover. Our most senior Patrol Officers generally only have 5 years of experience before leaving for other departments.

R7. All SROs should complete SRO POST training by July 1, 2020.

This recommendation will not be implemented because it is not warranted or are not reasonable.

This recommendation is not applicable because the Town of Fairfax does not have any SRO's and would not fund additional training for a non-existent position.

R8. Law enforcement agencies should fund additional training for SROs that will help them keep up with and handle their responsibilities.

This recommendation will not be implemented because it is not warranted or are not reasonable.

This recommendation is not applicable because we do not have any SRO's and would not fund additional training for a non-existent position.

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R10. School districts and municipalities should explore funding sources such as grants, bond issues, special taxes, and other sources.

This recommendation will not be implemented because they are not warranted or are not reasonable.

If RVSD and the Town agreed on the need for SRO's, we would explore funding sources.

R11. School districts and municipalities should consider sharing the costs and services of SRO programs.

This recommendation will not be implemented because it is not warranted or are not reasonable.

If RVSD and the Town agreed on the need for SRO's, we would explore cost sharing arrangements.

R12. County law enforcement agencies should provide the time and facilities for the SROs to meet regularly to exchange information, ideas, and discuss new trends by October 1, 2019.

This recommendation will not be implemented because it is not warranted or are not reasonable.

If RVSD and the Town agreed on the need for SRO's, we would explore regular meeting times/places.