



TOWN OF FAIRFAX

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December 10, 2020

The Honorable Judge Andrew Sweet
Judge of the Marin County Superior Court
P.O. Box 4988
San Rafael, CA 94913-4988

Lucy Dilworth, Foreperson
Marin County Civil Grand Jury
3501 Civic Center Drive, Room #275
San Rafael, CA 94903

RE: Response to 2019-2020 Marin County Grand Jury Report – The Gun Next Door: Firearm Safety in Marin County

Dear Judge Sweet and Foreperson Dilworth:

Enclosed please find the Town of Fairfax response to the Marin Civil Grand Jury Report entitled *The Gun Next Door: Firearm Safety in Marin County*. The Fairfax Town Council considered and approved the enclosed response at a duly noticed public meeting on December 2, 2020,

If you have questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Michele Gardner
Town Clerk

Encl.

RESPONSE TO GRAND JURY REPORT

Report Title: The Gun Next Door: Firearm Safety in Marin County

Report Date: October 30, 2020

Response By: Fairfax Town Council

Response Date: December 2, 2020

FINDINGS:

- We agree with the findings numbered F1, F2, F3, F4, F5 and F6

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Recommendations numbered R2 and R3 have been implemented.
- Recommendation numbered R4 has not be implemented but will be implemented in the future.

DATED: 12/10/20

Signed: 
Garrett Toy, Town Manager

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ATTACHMENT

RESPONSE OF THE TOWN OF FAIRFAX TO GRAND JURY REPORT THE GUN NEXT DOOR: FIREARM SAFETY IN MARIN COUNTY

RECOMMENDATIONS AND RESPONSES

R2. Each town, city, police authority, as well as the sheriff, should, at least annually, beginning in fiscal year 2020–21, send reminders to its residents regarding the need for safe handling and storage of firearms, and this reminder should be posted on official websites and social media platforms.

Response: This recommendation has already been implemented.

We already have posted on our web site the items as recommended related to safe handling and storage of firearms, the offering of free gun locks and the ability to turn in unwanted weapons to our police station. Further we push this information out on social media periodically, the last time being October 2020.

R3. Each town, city, police authority, as well as the sheriff should, within six months of the date of this report, offer free gun locks and publicize a procedure for residents to turn in unwanted weapons. This message should also be posted on official websites and social media platforms.

Response: This recommendation has already been implemented.

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R4. The Marin County district attorney should work with other law enforcement agencies to continue to offer gun buyback programs, funded by public donations or grants.

Response: This recommendation has not yet been implemented but will be implemented in the future.

As stated in the Grand Jury report, the District Attorney should work with Law Enforcement agencies to offer gun buyback programs. We agree with this and will partner with the District Attorney when future gun buyback programs are organized.