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January 24, 2002

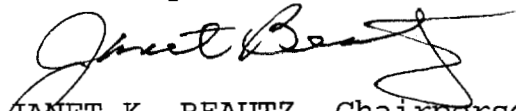
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
County of Santa Cruz  
701 Ocean Street  
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

RE: ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE COMMISSION

Dear Members of the Board:

Attached is the Annual Report of the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission for calendar year 2001. I recommend that the Board accept and file this report and direct the Chairperson to thank the members of the Commission for their efforts on the County's behalf.

Sincerely,

  
JANET K. BEAUTZ, Chairperson  
Board of Supervisors

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cc: Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission

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## ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE COMMISSION

January 14, 2002

Board of Supervisors  
County of Santa Cruz  
701 Ocean Street  
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### **SUBJECT: Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission 2001 Annual Report**

Dear Board Members:

As required by Section 2.38.170 of the County code, attached is the 2001 Annual Report of the Santa Cruz County Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission.

The Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission looks forward to working with your Board and the Health Services Agency during 2002 to further improve and expand drug and alcohol-related services and awareness.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Diane Benson".

Diane Benson, Chairperson  
Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission

Attachment

## ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE COMMISSION 2001 ANNUAL REPORT

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### Role of the Commission

To advise the Board of Supervisors and the Alcohol and Drug Program Administrator on alcohol and drug abuse issues through participation in the planning process, development of the goals and policies of the County Alcohol and Drug Program, education of the public about alcohol and drug abuse problems and services, advocacy on alcohol and drug-related legislative issues, review of alcohol and drug services provided by the County to ensure quality, and review of the procedures used to ensure citizen involvement in alcohol and drug abuse program policies and procedures.

### Meeting Dates, Time and Location

Second Monday of each month at 5:00 p.m. at rotating locations in North, South and Mid-County.

### Commission Structure

Each Supervisor appoints two members who represent the Supervisor's district. The current Chairperson is Diane Benson, the Vice Chairperson is ~~At~~ Ventura, and Steve Vargas is the Secretary. Other commissioners are listed on the attached attendance roster.

### Commission Staff

The Health Services Agency Alcohol and Drug Program provides staff support to the Commission, including preparation of meeting minutes and some correspondence.

### Attendance

See attached roster.

### Accomplishments – 2001

- The Commission supported the implementation of Proposition 36 for substance abuse offenders to receive treatment rather than incarceration.
- The Commission annually gives out the Robert E. Neff award to recognize a community member who has provided exceptional service in the alcohol and drug abuse field.
- The Commission adopted the *What Works!* program definitions. *What Works!* looks at indicators of community functioning, risk and protective factors and related community problems. *What Works!* has developed a common language for programs and program evaluation so that we as a community can help one another in the human service field.

- Continued to develop positive relationships with the Children and Families First Commission. 0128
- Supported timely State review of a proposed Drinking Driver Program fee increase request.
- Continued to support Tyler House and other alcohol and drug programs.

#### Future Goals

- Open a South County young adult drinking driver program (DDP) and methadone clinic within the next year.
- Support DDPs in obtaining training on Title 9, fee collection and business management practices.
- Support periodic trainings for all providers on alcohol and drug-related topics.
- Re-establish Commission sub-committees, including education and cultural competence.
- Advocate for providers to consistently follow the Commission provider report format.
- Monitor contract service providers for:
  1. Culturally appropriate services.
  2. Availability of services for the dually diagnosed.
  3. Availability of competent services for all age groups.
  4. Better collection of data through the DAS system.
  5. Yearly reviews and COLAs for contractor staff.
  6. Establishing night hours for some services.
- Continue to improve relationships with the Board of Supervisors.

#### Recommendations

- The Commission recommends that the Board of Supervisors continue to make timely appointments to fill vacant seats and schedule time for a quarterly meeting with their district commissioners.
- The Commission recommends that the Board of Supervisors implement a Juvenile Drug court.

# 2001 ADAC ATTENDANCE

Members	Jan 01	Feb 01	Mar 01	April 01	May 01	June 01	Jul 01	Aug 01	Sept 01	Oct 01	Nov 01	Dec 01
Diane Benson	P	E	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Steven Vargas	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E
P.J. Warner	P	E	P	P	E	A	A	E	P	P	P	P
Art Ventura	P	P	P	A	P	A	P	P	E	P	A	P
Michael Merrithew	P	P	P	Resigned								▲
Tom McClellan	P	A	P	A	A	A	A	A	P	Resigned		▲
Don Hutchison	P	E	A	Resigned								▲
William Ferguson	—	—	—	—	—	—	P	P	P	P	P	P
Giovanna Moreli	—	—	—	—	P	P	E	A	P	P	E	P
Janice Xavier	—	—	—	—	P	P	A	A	A	Resigned		▲
Al Richard	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	P

## KEY

P = Present  
 A = Unexcused Absence  
 E = Excused Absence

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