

LOS ALAMITOS POLICE DEPARTMENT



Todd Mattern
Chief of Police

Bruce McAlpine
Captain

Cassandra Palmer
Support Services
Manager

3201 Katella Avenue
Los Alamitos, CA
90720-5601

Telephone:
(562) 431-2255

FAX:
(562) 431-6499

September 10, 2012

Honorable Thomas J. Borris
Presiding Judge of the Superior Court
700 Civic Center Drive West
Santa Ana, CA 92701

Honorable Judge Borris:

I have received and reviewed the 2011-2012 Orange County Grand Jury Report, "Elder Abuse: The Perfect Storm". The following is the Los Alamitos Police Department's responses to the Grand Jury's findings and recommendations:

Regarding F3- *Reviewing procedures in law enforcement agencies, law enforcement academies under Orange County government jurisdiction and the District Attorney's office could improve recognition of elder abuse.* **The Los Alamitos Police Department agrees with this finding.**

Regarding R5- *By December 31, 2012, the Sheriff's Department and city police departments should evaluate and update their programs on responding to elder abuse cases.* **This recommendation has been implemented by the Los Alamitos Police Department. We are currently evaluating for best practices the following areas: Field Training of New Officers, Advanced Officer Training, Patrol Officer Investigations, Detective Bureau Investigations and Coordination with Allied Agencies.**

Sincerely,

Todd Mattern
Chief of Police
Los Alamitos Police Department