# ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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DETENTION FACILITIES IN ORANGE
COUNTY
2009/2010 FINAL REPORT

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2009-2010 GRAND JURY RESPONSE

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Dear members of the Grand Jury,

The Orange County Sheriff's Department (OCSD) has received and reviewed the Orange County Grand Jury report titled "Detention Facilities in Orange County". We have reviewed the findings in a collaborative effort with necessary personnel and have prepared the following response.

### **FINDINGS**

F.1 *Capacity:* During the Grand Jury inspections only three of the county facilities were at or near capacity, which is consistent with the 2008-2009 Grand Jury report.

# Agrees with finding.

Of the five Orange County jails, only three were at or near capacity. For operational reasons due to lower inmate population, the Central Women's Jail, the Fourth Floor of the Central Men's Jail, and the East and North Compounds of the James A. Musick Facility have been temporarily closed.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

R.1 *Capacity*: The Orange County Sheriff's Department should continue its inmate population management program so as to avoid overcrowding.

## The recommendation has been implemented.

The Orange County Jail Classification Unit continually monitors fluctuations in inmate population and assigns appropriate housing locations to avoid any overcrowding issues. The Sheriff's Department is prepared to re-open temporarily closed areas/facilities if the inmate population rises to a level where additional housing is needed to avoid overcrowding.

