



June 10, 2016

Dear Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors:

Santa Barbara County Action Network's Board of Directors strongly supports Community Choice Energy and urges your Board to approve funding for this project in the 2016/2017 budget.

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Existing Community Choice Energy programs have proven to offer residents, businesses and governments:

- Competitive and usually cheaper electricity rates
- Local control of our energy sources
- Cleaner energy with lower green-house gas emissions
- New opportunities for local energy projects
- Local economic stimulus and creation of high-paying union jobs

Allocating funding now will allow the County to move quickly towards launching a local program and help the County realize these benefits. *SBCAN* urges the Board of Supervisors to approve a budget expansion for Community Choice Energy.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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Thank you for your consideration.

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Sincerely,

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Subject: FW: jail funding

From: Royce Stauffer [<mailto:roycesta@cox.net>]
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Subject: jail funding

Dear Supervisors,

Please look ahead. At the election this November, the voters will probably approve the “Marijuana Legalization Initiative Statute”.which will remove 11 offenses for which people can now be arrested. Also on the ballot,the “California Parole, Early Release and Juvenile Trial Reform Initiative” is promoted by Governor Brown. This will release an estimated 25,000 inmates and reduce future sentences. Santa Barbara County has the highest arrest rate for misdemeanors of any county in California (open justice) and over 70% of jail inmates are unsentenced offenders. The number of inmates in the jail can be substantially reduced by changing local practices.

Considering all of this, is it wise to spend this large amount of money to construct new jail beds when the prison population will probably decrease in the future?

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