

October 12, 2021

Board of Supervisors County of Ventura 800 South Victoria Avenue Ventura, CA 93009 **Mike Pettit** Assistant County Executive Officer

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<u>Subject:</u> Community forum to provide information to the public concerning Immigration and Customs Enforcement access to individuals housed in County jail facilities in 2020 in accordance with the Transparent Review of Unjust Transfers and Holds (TRUTH) Act.

## **Recommendation:**

Hold a community forum to provide information to the public concerning Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) access to individuals housed in County jail facilities in 2020 in accordance with the TRUTH Act.

## Discussion:

The TRUTH Act, codified in part at Government Code sections 7283-7283.2, requires the local governing body of any county or city in which a local law enforcement agency has provided ICE access to an individual during the last year to hold at least one community forum that is open to the public during the following year to provide information to the public about ICE's access to individuals and to receive and consider public comment. Because the Sheriff's Office has provided ICE with access to an individual within the last year, your Board is required to hold a community forum to share information with the public concerning the access provided. Notice of today's community forum was posted to the public at least 30 days in advance in accordance with the TRUTH Act.

At this community forum, the Sheriff and officials from the Probation Agency, Public Defender, and District Attorney will make presentations and will be available to answer questions. Mr. Willie Lubka representing the ICE Out of Ventura County group which is a broad-based coalition of organizations from across the County will also provide a presentation. Both Spanish and Mixteco interpreters will be present at the community forum to provide translation services and meeting materials will be made available in both English and Spanish.

This item has been reviewed by the County Counsel's Office, Sheriff's Office, Probation Agency, and the County Executive Office. If you have any questions regarding this item, please contact Mike Pettit at 654-2864 or me at 654-2681.

m? Michael Powers County Executive Officer