



For further information:
Contact the Assistant to the Grand Jury
Phone: (925) 608-2621

For immediate release
July 1, 2025

APPLICATIONS FOR GRAND JURY ALTERNATES

The Contra Costa County Superior Court is accepting applications for alternates for the Civil Grand Jury 2025-2026 term.

The Civil Grand Jury is made up of 19 members who serve for one year, July through June, to monitor, review and report on city and county governments, special districts, and school districts.

Grand Jurors must be a United States citizen, 18 years of age or older, who have been a resident of Contra Costa County for at least one year prior to selection. They cannot currently hold any elected position within the county. Applications should have reliable transportation to Martinez and must be prepared to devote at least 30 hours per week to Civil Grand Jury service. Applicants should have access to a computer, be familiar with Microsoft Word, and be able to send and receive email. Citizens who work should apply only if they can be released from their jobs to perform their duties.

Jurors receive a stipend for attending full jury and committee meetings and are reimbursed by 70. Cents per mile for allowable jury travel.

Persons interested in applying may contact the Office of the Civil Grand Jury at (925) 608-2621, or visit their website at www.cc-courts.org/civil/grand-jury.aspx to receive additional information regarding service on the Civil Grand Jury and to obtain an application.

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS THURSDAY, JULY 31, 2025

Do You Have What It Takes to Be an Engaged Citizen? Join the Civil Grand Jury and Make a difference!



Hold your local city and county government agencies accountable for their actions.

Ensure that tax dollars are spent wisely.

Increase transparency and improve oversight.

Jurors serve a one-year term and unlike regular jury service, it is not a full-time or in-court commitment.

Inspections, interviews, and meetings are conducted in-person or virtually.

Through these investigations, they develop findings and recommendations that agencies must legally respond to in writing.

Grand jurors must be US Citizens and residents of Contra Costa County for at least one year and eighteen years of age or over.

Seize this opportunity to effect meaningful change in local government!

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The Civil Grand Jury actively investigates local government.

The Civil Grand Jury issues reports based on their investigations.

For more information or to apply, visit
<https://www.cc-courts.org>

Would YOU Make A *Good* Grand Juror?

Do you feel the need to increase the efficiency of County and Local government, reduce costs, and improve services?

- Are you willing to devote your time and energy to that goal?
- Are you willing to take a position on an issue even though there will be those who will disagree with you?

How are your Listening and Analytical Skills?

- Are you a good communicator?
- Are you a good listener?
- Do you have a good memory for detail?
- Can you separate the "Wheat from the Chaff"?

Can you ask penetrating questions, examine documents, and help prepare clear, concise reports?

- Are you good at separating facts from rumor, emotional responses, and personality or ideological differences?
- Can you express yourself well in writing?

Are you willing to cooperate with 18 others in reaching a consensus?

- Do you value diversity of views?
- Can you evaluate differing ideas?
- Can you take direction from others?
- Are you willing to assume leadership responsibility?

Can you maintain confidentiality outside the Grand Jury?

- The Grand Jury operates in secrecy
- Your work must be confidential from everyone other than fellow Grand Jurors
- Grand Jurors are sworn "Officers of the Court"
- There are penalties for violating the "secrecy" of the Grand Jury

Are you willing to commit to a full year of productive work?

- The Grand Jury term runs from July 1 to June 30
- Can you make a substantial contribution?
 - ...at least three half-days a week in meetings
 - ...30 hours a week or more in reading and research
- It is necessary that absences be minimized and if possible planned
- Can you sustain enthusiasm under prolonged demands?

Are you willing to receive your "rewards" through personal satisfaction?

- There is little, if any, public recognition for individual contribution
 - ...Your reports may be unpopular and subject to criticism by the "subjects" and the media
- Financial compensation is small
 - ...You will receive a stipend for meeting attendance and compensation for mileage
 - ...Parking is provided

The deadline to submit an application to become a member of the **2025-2026** Contra Costa County Grand Jury is Thursday, July 31, 2025. Go On-Line: www.cc-courts.org/grandjury or call (925) 608-2621 for an application.



MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Serve Your Community As A
Contra Costa County Grand Juror

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Become Involved



**Promote Sound
Government**



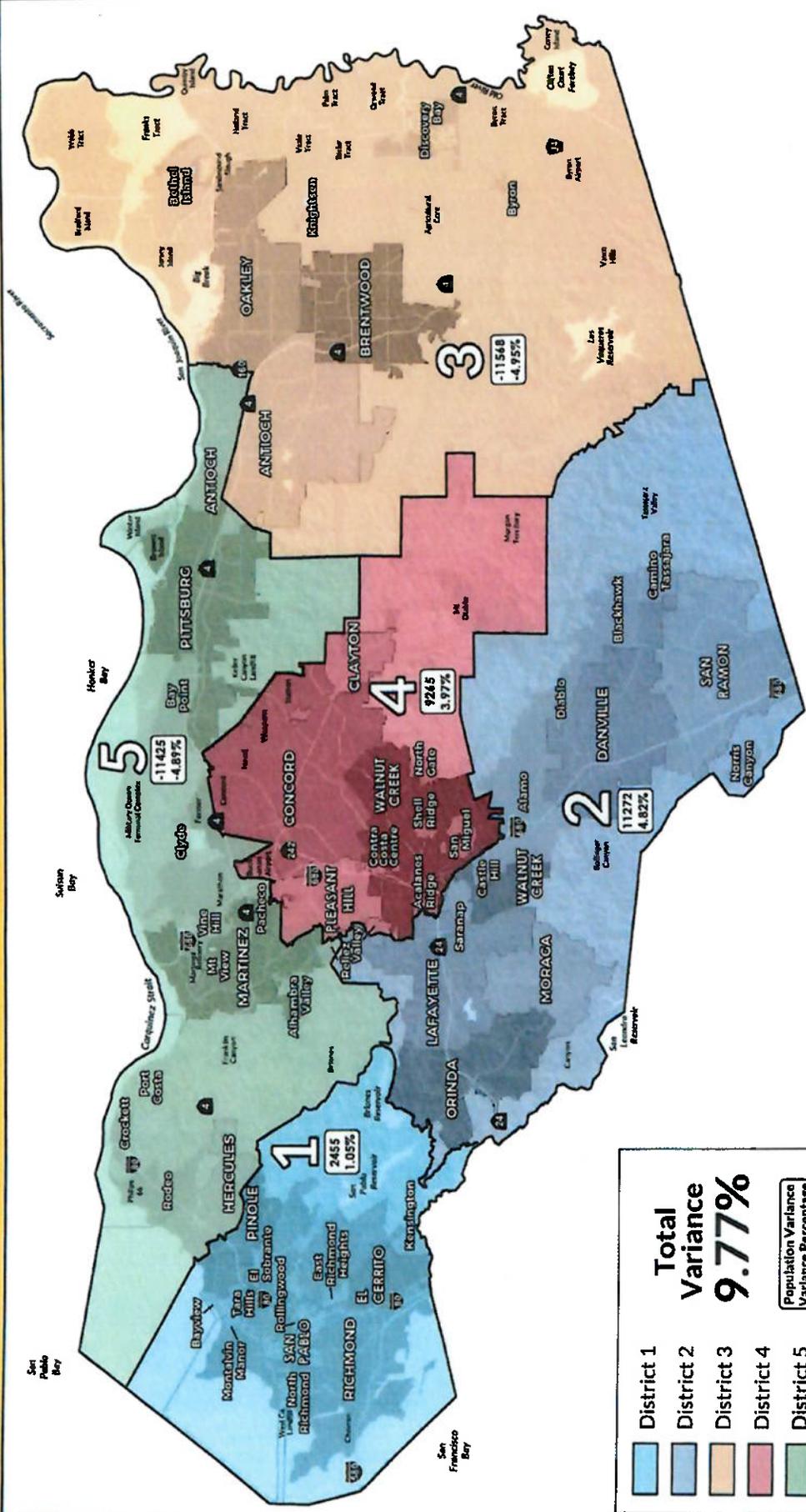
**Make Recommendations
to County Agencies
and Cities**

**Together We Make a Positive Difference
The Grand Jury**



CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

2021 Supervisorial Districts
Final Map Adopted 11/23/2021



Total Variance
9.77%

Population Variance
Variance Percentage

- District 1
- District 2
- District 3
- District 4
- District 5

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA
Application for Civil Grand Jury 2025-2026**

Name: _____
(Last)
(First)
(Middle)

Address: _____
(Street)
(City)
CA
(State)
(Zip)

Contact Information: _____
(Home Phone)
(Work Phone)
(Cell Phone)

_____ (Email)

LEGAL QUALIFICATIONS (per Calif Penal Code §893)

Yes	No		Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	I am a US Citizen and at least 18 years old.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	I am presently serving as a trial juror in any court of this state.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	I have been a resident of Contra Costa County for one year immediately before being selected.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	I have been discharged as a grand juror by any court of the State of California within the past year.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	I am in possession of my natural faculties, of ordinary intelligence, of sound judgment, and fair character.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	I am presently serving as an elected public officer.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	I possess sufficient knowledge of the English language.			
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	I have been convicted of malfeasance in office or any felony or other high crime. DO NOT include: Any adult conviction for which the record has been judicially ordered sealed, or expunged; Any juvenile offense records that have been statutorily eradicated (sealed per W&I 389 and PC 851.7, or PC 1203.45); Any misdemeanor conviction for which probation has been successfully completed/otherwise discharged and the case has been judicially dismissed pursuant to PC 1203.4; Any conviction for which the record has been destroyed pursuant to Health & Safety Code 11361.5(x); or Any arrest for which a pretrial diversion program has been successfully completed pursuant to PC 1000.5 and PC 1001.5. If you answered yes to the question above, please provide the Code Section violation, a brief description of the offense, the date of conviction, the jurisdiction where convicted and the final case disposition below.			
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 5px auto; width: 80%;"> <p>Nature of the offence: _____</p> <p>Year _____ County _____ Final Disposition _____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Add pages as needed)</p> </div>					

Place of Residence by Contra Costa Supervisorial District:
 District 1 District 2 District 3 District 4 District 5

Dated: _____
 (Please insert date signed)

Signature: _____
 (Please sign your name here)

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Last Name: _____

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Nomination:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Fingerprinting Appointment Date/Time: _____ / _____
Random Drawing:	No. Drawn: _____		

Employment Status: (You may attach a resume)

Presently Employed Not Employed Retired If presently employed:

Employer Name: _____ Position: _____

Dates of Employment: _____ Full Time Part Time

If you are employed, does your employer understand the nature of the duties of a Grand Juror and will *they* permit your participation as a juror for the one-year period the Civil Grand Jury will be in session?

Yes No

Are you or is any adult member of your immediate family or household employed by Contra Costa County, or any other public agency within the County, within the past three years? Yes No

If Yes, please list their names and agencies.

Name	Relationship	Agency
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Are you or is any adult member of your immediate family or household related to, closely associated with, an employee of, or a volunteer for any elected or appointed public official? Yes No

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_____	_____	_____
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Yes No

If YES, please state which Court and dates:

_____ (Court) _____ (Date)

Educational Background

Check the highest grade completed in school

High School | College | Post Graduate
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Skills:

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Yes No

Specifically, do you regularly use (indicate skill level 0 through 4 by clicking on each " " (see below)):

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Internet Browser	<input type="checkbox"/> Edge <input type="checkbox"/> Chrome	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:
E-Mail:	<input type="checkbox"/> Outlook	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:
Word Processing:	<input type="checkbox"/> MS Word	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:
Spreadsheets:	<input type="checkbox"/> MS Excel	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:
Video Conf.	<input type="checkbox"/> Zoom/Teams	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:

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Please add additional information regarding your computer skills: _____

Please describe your experience and ability in these additional areas

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Editing	<input type="checkbox"/>	Data Analysis	<input type="checkbox"/>	Leading a Group / Team
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List any additional areas of expertise you possess that may be helpful to the grand jury service. For example, accounting, planning, project analysis, etc.): _____

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(If "yes", please give details)

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I affirm that the information provided in this questionnaire is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Dated: _____
(Please insert date signed)

Signature: _____
(Please sign your name here)

RETURN BY 5:00 P.M. July 31, 2025

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Are you interested in serving as the Jury Foreperson?

Yes No

If YES, briefly explain your interest in this position.

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Qualified under PC 893 and PC 896?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
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Asian

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Hispanic/Latino

Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

White

Other (Please state): _____

Retired: Yes No

Occupation: _____

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Newspaper

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Please Specify: _____

Please Specify: _____

From a Friend or Relative

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Newspaper
Please Specify: _____

From a Friend or Relative
 Other Journal or Publication
Please Specify: _____

Social/Community Organization
Please Specify: _____

Internet Site
Please Specify: _____

Notice Mailed to Me by the Court
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Please Specify: _____

Other
Please Specify: _____