

PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

*Public Health Department – Building 441
931 Spring Street
Placerville*

Reason for the Report

The Grand Jury selected the Public Health Department (Building 441) as one of its general reviews for 2002/2003.

Scope of the Investigation

The members of the Grand Jury:

- Made an unannounced visit to the Public Health Department on November 7, 2002;
- Toured the facilities and grounds with the Assistant Director and the Nurse Practitioner;
- Were briefed on the Public Health Department services offered;
- Inspected the building and general programs;
- Reviewed previous Grand Jury reports for year's 1999/2000, 2000/2001 and 2001/2002 and found no findings or recommendations pertaining to this building.

Background

The Public Health Department building, which was built in 1952, is currently undergoing renovations to be completed in 2003. The building appears to be in excellent condition and well utilized.

The parking lot of the Public Health Department is shared with the parking lots for the Psychiatric Health Facility, Community Services/Senior Nutrition Center, and the Senior Day-Care Center. Parking lot directional markings go against traffic flow, and the overall surface is in poor condition.

Findings

- F1. The parking lot surface is severely checked and cracked. The parking lot surface poses a hazard to users and is a potential liability to the county.
- F2. The parking lot directional markings contradict the parking lot traffic flow and are severely faded.
- F3. Some hallways are cluttered.

Recommendations

- R1. The parking lot should be repaired and resurfaced.
- R2. Directional arrows should show proper traffic flow.
- R3. All clutter should be removed from hallways when renovation is finished.

Responses Required for Findings

F1 through F3
El Dorado County Board of Supervisors
El Dorado County Department of General Services
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