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INTERESTED CITIZENS REQUESTED FOR 2026-2027 MARIPOSA COUNTY GRAND JURY

Applicants for service on the 2026-2027 Mariposa County Grand Jury are being sought, announced Anita Starchman Bryant, Presiding Judge of the Superior Court. The Court encourages applications from citizens representing a broad cross section of the Mariposa County community. Successful applicants will serve as Grand Jurors for the period beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027.

The Grand Jury is composed of 11 active panel members who meet on a regular basis. The primary civil function of the Grand Jury, acting as an entirely independent body, is to review the operation of the county government as well as other tax supported agencies and special districts. The Grand Jury also investigates complaints from private citizens, local government officials, or government employees. Based on the reviews and investigations, the Grand Jury publishes its findings and may recommend constructive action to improve the quality and effectiveness of the local governments.

Eligibility requirements for Grand Jury service are:

- You must be a citizen of the United States.
- You must be 18 years of age or older.
- You must have been a resident of Mariposa County for at least one year before selection.
- You are in possession of your natural faculties, of ordinary intelligence, of sound judgment and of fair character.
- You possess sufficient knowledge of the English language.
- You are not currently serving as a trial juror in any court of this state.
- You have not been discharged as a Grand Juror in any court of this state within one year.
- You have not been convicted of malfeasance in office or any felony or other high crime.
- You are not serving as an elected public officer.

Grand Jury service is important work and a considerable responsibility. It is also an exciting opportunity to serve your community and learn more about local government. It can be an incredibly rewarding and satisfying experience. If selected, the term of service is a period of one year, from July 1 through June 30. You should be committed to serving the entire year. The average time commitment is approximately 25-40 hours per month. Generally, two grand jury meetings are conducted per month. Additional committee meetings may sometimes be scheduled during business hours. There will be a training opportunity soon after the new term begins. Applications should be submitted by May 1, 2026.

For a Grand Jury application, call, write, or go online:

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