## **PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE**



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### **MISSION STATEMENT**

The Public Relations Committee of the 2016-2017 Kern County Grand Jury has the responsibility of working with community service groups, other public agencies, and the media, to promote the Grand Jury system. The duties include educating the public about the duties and obligations of the Grand Jury, presenting appropriate information and literature at key community functions throughout the term, coordinating Jury Awareness Week activities and obtaining speakers from the community. The Committee arranges visits to locations within Kern County that directly affect the community.

# PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

### **SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES**

- Arranged and coordinated Grand Jury Awareness Week ceremony at the Liberty Bell February 9, 2017, and hosted an "Open House"
- Provided Grand Jury informational flyers, coordinated radio and newspaper advertising/marketing and provided outreach community presentations
- Arranged for educational trips to:
  - Kern County Sheriff Office Air Unit, Bomb Unit, and the K9 Unit
  - Bakersfield City Canine Unit
  - o Bakersfield Police Department Main Office
  - Edmondson Pumping Plant
  - Camp Erwin Owen
  - o Larry J Rhoades Crossroads Facility
  - Ronald McDonald House

#### **GUEST SPEAKERS FOR THE YEAR WERE**

- Judge John Somers, Presiding Judge
- Sheriff Youngblood
- Teresa Goldner, County Counsel
- Jenny Frank, Bakersfield Veterans Center
- Thuy Vy Vu Toys for Tots
- Scarlett Sabin, Ronald McDonald House
- Tom Corson, Kern County Network for Children
- Brian Marshall, Kern County Fire Chief
- Mark Nations, Interim County Counsel
- Karen Goh, Mayor City of Bakersfield
- Judge Charles Brehmer, Presiding Judge