Orange County Grand Jury

















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Volunteer for a Rewarding Year

You may be eligible to become part of a team of internal investigators who serve a one-year term to improve Orange County. Apply to be a part of the Orange County Grand Jury!

- Make a difference to your community
- Meet with top County leaders
- Get exclusive tours of jails, public works, and other key county facilities
- Work on a high-performing team
- ~\$1000 monthly stipend plus mileage with free preferred parking

"Serving on the Grand Jury has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my life."

- 2024-25 Grand Jury Member

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The role of a Grand Jury differs substantially from a trial jury. It is a full time assignment. Approximately 80% of the time is spent in a civil watchdog role with the remaining time spent in criminal indictment hearings and investigation hearings, not jury trials. Grand Jury proceedings are closed to the public.

- Serve as a watchdog entity, ensuring the performance of county, city & other local agencies are proper and ethical
- Improve your government by making recommendations
- Issue Indictments for serious crimes

For information visit ocgrandjury.org or call 657-622-6747

Only 19 Grand Jurors are selected for the panel

Next Term July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026

To be eligible you must be a County of Orange resident, a U.S. Citizen, 18 years of age or older, have command of the English language, and possess sound judgement



2025-2026 ORANGE COUNTY GRAND JURY Recruitment and Selection Timeline

9/23/2024	Early Application Period – Information and application form will be available online, www.ocgrandjury.org, or by calling the Grand Jury Hotline, 657-622-6747.
1/17/2025	Application Deadline
1/24/2025	Letter emailed to all applicants regarding Applicant Orientation meeting.
2/7/2025	Applicant Orientation – 10:00 am -12:00 p.m., informational session with participants from the Court, O.C. Sheriff's Department, and Grand Jury at the Central Justice Center, Dept. C1, 700 W. Civic Center Dr., Santa Ana 92701.
2/3-2/21/2025	Judges of the Grand Jury Recruitment and Selection Committee review applications and select no more than 90 applicants, proportionately distributed from the five O.C. Supervisorial Districts. (If necessary).
2/26/2025	Jury Commissioner confirms selected candidates and informs all applicants by email.
3/3 - 3/21/2025	O.C. Sheriff's Department conducts no more than 90 background investigations.
3/24-4/11/2025	Grand Jury Recruitment and Selection Committee members conduct interviews.
4/21/2025	Grand Jury Recruitment and Selection Committee members select 25-30 candidates to proportionately represent the five O.C. Supervisorial Districts.
4/28 - 5/2/2025	Superior Court judges vote to approve the final slate of 25-30 Grand Jury nominees (majority approval required).
5/8/2025	Names of the 25-30 candidates to be published and all candidates notified by email.
5/12- 5/16/2025	Candidates Fingerprinted – O.C. Sheriff's Department, Live Scan Office, 320 N Flower St., Santa Ana 92703.
5/16/2025	Drawing to Designate 19 Grand Jury Members and Alternates – 10:30 a.m12:00 noon, at the Central Justice Center, Department C1, 700 W. Civic Center Dr., Santa Ana 92701.
5/21/2025	Deadline for Grand Jury Members to apply to be foreperson, 4:00 p.m.
5/28/2025	Judges interview foreperson candidates.
5/29/2025	Name of Grand Jury foreperson is announced.
6/10, 6/11, 6/12, & 6/13/2025	Mandatory Training – 19 grand jurors and all alternates attend orientation and training conducted by members of the outgoing Grand Jury and their advisors.
7/1/2025	Oath of Office Ceremony – 10:00-11:00 a.m., at the Central Justice Center, Department C1, 700 W. Civic Center Dr., Santa Ana 92701.