

PUBLIC NOTICE

(Government Code §68106)

Superior Court of California, County of Ventura

RESPONDING TO THE FISCAL CRISIS THE VENTURA SUPERIOR COURT IS PLANNING TO SUSPEND SERVICES AT THE EAST COUNTY COURTHOUSE AND RELOCATE SERVICES TO THE HALL OF JUSTICE IN VENTURA

The Ventura Superior Court is planning on suspending all court operations, except for Traffic payments and Collection payments at the East County Courthouse branch located at 3855–F Alamo Street, Simi Valley, California on June 25, 2012. All operations related to Family Law, Unlawful Detainer, Small Claims and Criminal/Traffic Court (except for making criminal/traffic payments) will be relocated to the main courthouse located at the Hall of Justice, 800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura, California.

The Ventura Superior Court is facing a \$10.5 million dollar deficit for the fiscal year beginning July 2012, which is projected to increase to \$12.7 million if the Governor's proposed tax initiatives are not passed by the voters in the November general election. In addressing the continuing growing deficit the court must implement additional cost reduction measures including additional layoffs. Family Law, Unlawful Detainer, Small Claims and Criminal/Traffic are case types that are currently also filed and heard at the main courthouse located at the Hall of Justice, 800 South Victoria Avenue. Relocating these cases to the main courthouse will allow for greater efficiencies by processing all the above listed case types in one court location with further reduced staff. While the court regrets that inadequate funding is reducing access to the courts for the citizens of this county, it cannot maintain the current level of services.

Anyone wishing to comment on this plan may do so, either by regular mail or e-mail, by June 22, 2012. Please direct your response to:

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