



Whistleblower Hotline Report As of March 31, 2022

The San Luis Obispo County Whistleblower Hotline was established in November 2013 to provide a mechanism by which employees and citizens may contribute to the accountability, transparency, and oversight of the County by reporting suspected financial fraud, waste, and abuse. From inception in November 2013 through March 31, 2022, the Whistleblower Hotline received 292 reports.

The Whistleblower Hotline includes a toll-free hotline number (855-326-9623) and website (reportlineweb.com/sanluisobispo) which are accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and are administered by an independent hotline provider. Reports may be submitted anonymously.

Reports received are reviewed by the County's Auditor-Controller-Treasurer-Tax Collector and the Internal Audit Division in conjunction with County Counsel, Human Resources, and Department Heads, as appropriate.

Five reports were received in the 3rd quarter of Fiscal Year 2021-22, ending March 31, 2022.

The 3rd quarter reports received related to the following categories:

- Violation of Federal, State, City, or County Regulation (3)
- Misconduct (2)

The disposition of the five cases includes:

- Two were referred to the Human Resources Department.
- Two were referred to the appropriate Department Heads.
- One was not related to County business and was referred to the appropriate agency.

The San Luis Obispo County Whistleblower Program improves controls and promotes accountability and oversight throughout the County through the identification of potential fraud, waste, and abuse. The Whistleblower Program contributes to the County's vision of a well-governed community.