

Best Grand Jury Media Coverage			
Year	County	Recipient	Why it Won
2022	Sacramento	Genoa Barrow, reporter for <i>The Observer</i> , Sacramento	for her extensive, unbiased, and continuing coverage of the grand jury's investigative report <i>Sacramento County Board of Supervisors Abandons Responsibility for COVID-19 CARES Act Spending</i> detailing the misappropriation of \$181 million dollars in COVID-19 CARES Act funds.
2021	San Luis Obispo	<i>New Times</i> , San Luis Obispo	for the in-depth description and broad distribution of its news coverage of the 2019-20 San Luis Obispo County Grand Jury report, <i>Paso Robles School District: A Cautionary Tale</i> . The report addressed long-term and ongoing financial problems of the Paso Robles Joint Unified School District.
2020	Tuolumne	Alex MacLean, reporter for <i>The Union Democrat</i>	for coverage (at least 26 articles) of "Consolidated 2017-18 Tuolumne County Grand Jury Report: Tuolumne County Economic Development Authority"
2019	Shasta	<i>Record Searchlight</i> (Redding)	for its coverage of the 2015-16 Shasta County Grand Jury report "The Quarter Million Dollar Typo: Words Matter"
2017	Alameda	<i>East Bay Express</i>	for its rigorous coverage of the Alameda County Civil Grand Jury reports in 2016. The paper clearly analyzed Grand Jury reports and regularly informed the public of their relevance to governmental issues.
2016	Marin	<i>Independent Journal</i>	for its news coverage of the Marin County Civil Grand Jury over the past three years.
2015	Santa Barbara	<i>Lompoc Record</i>	for coverage of the 2011-12 Santa Barbara County Grand Jury report, "A Failure of Oversight: Lompoc Housing and Community Development Corporation."
2014	San Joaquin	Jennie Rodriguez-Moore, <i>The Record</i>	Publicized and followed up Grand Jury report exposing the failure of oversight of group homes for youth.
2013	Sutter	Nancy Pasternak, <i>Appeal Democrat</i>	for coverage of the 2010-11 Sutter County report "Sutter County Animal Control Shelter"
2012	Sacramento	<i>Sacramento Bee</i>	for coverage of the 2008-09 Sacramento County report "Sacramento Public Library Authority: The Business of Books"
2011	Alameda	<i>Oakland Local</i> , a web-based independent media outlet	for coverage of 2010-2011 Alameda County report, "City of Oakland Building Services Division."
2010	San Francisco	<i>San Francisco Chronicle</i>	for its strong and continued support of the San Francisco County Grand Jury. The <i>Chronicle</i> staff provided detailed and concerned coverage of the San Francisco Grand Jury report issued in June, 2009 entitled "Pensions, Beyond Our Ability to Pay," As a consequence of the public awareness engendered

			by this reporting, Proposition B has been placed on the ballot for the November 2, 2010 election.
°2009	Mendocino	<i>2009 The Mendocino Beacon/Fort Bragg Advocate News</i>	for its strong and continuing support of the Mendocino County Grand Jury
ˆ2008	Napa	<i>Napa Valley Register</i>	for reporting consistently and accurately on the Napa County Grand Jury reports
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ˆ2006	San Luis Obispo	<i>Tribune of San Luis Obispo</i>	for its strong and continuing support of the County Grand Jury
2005	Marin	<i>Marin Independent Journal</i>	for consistent, diligent reporting of County Grand Jury investigative reports
ˆ2004	Solano	Certificate of Appreciation: The <i>Vacaville Reporter</i>	for its interest in and articles on the causes and impact of the recurrent Sweeney Creek flooding
ˆ2004	Madera	Certificate of Appreciation: The <i>Merced Tribune</i>	for its articles on the Grand Jury's investigation into the court fees and the officials' responses.
ˆ2004	Ventura	Certificate of Merit: Joint award to the 2003/04 Ventura County Grand Jury and to the <i>Ventura Star</i>	for their informative and broad-ranging newspaper insert of 1/12/04 on the varied grand jury experience.
ˆ2004	Lake	Certificate of Appreciation: The <i>Lake County Record-Bee</i>	for working closely with the Grand Jury to display their article in an eye-catching feature.
ˆ2002	Contra Costa	<i>Contra Costa Times.</i>	
ˆ2001	Sacramento	<i>Sacramento Bee</i>	

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