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Marcus Pimentel
Budget Manager
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Via email: marcus.pimintel@santacruzcounty.us

Dear Mr. Pimentel,

On behalf of the California State Association of Counties (CSAC), I am pleased to inform you that Santa Cruz's program "Online, Interactive Budget Website" has been selected for a 2022 CSAC Challenge Award.

The CSAC Challenge Awards are the state's premier program recognizing and elevating the most innovative programs among California's 58 counties. This year, we received 370 entries, of which the top 18 were selected by our judging panel to receive a 2022 Challenge Award. Santa Cruz County's "Online, Interactive Budget Website" is receiving a 2022 Challenge Award in the Suburban Government Finance, Administration and Technology category.

We will release a press release regarding the 2022 CSAC Challenge Award winners by December 15 and be in touch shortly thereafter to coordinate delivery of the County's Challenge Award trophy and, if desired, a formal presentation during a regularly scheduled Board of Supervisors meeting in 2023.

Again, congratulations! Thank you and your team for your dedication to county public service and innovative programs like the "Online, Interactive Budget Website." Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at fmcting@counties.org or (916) 595-7360. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Farrah McDaid Ting
California State Association of Counties
Director, Public Affairs and Member Services