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Jurors in El Dorado County to Receive \$100 Per Day for Jury Service

Placerville, CA, August 30, 2024:

Starting September 1, residents called into jury service in El Dorado County will receive \$100 per day, starting on the second day of service—up from the current amount of \$15 per day. In addition, the juror mileage reimbursement rate will increase from \$0.34 to \$0.67 per mile roundtrip.

Why Are Pay Rates Going Up?

A pilot program funded by [Assembly Bill 1981](#) and administered by the Judicial Council of California will explore whether increases in juror compensation and mileage reimbursement rates improve juror diversity and participation.

“Jurors play a critical role in our justice system by ensuring everyone can take advantage of the fundamental right to a jury of their peers,” said California Chief Justice Patricia Guerrero. “Jurors help deliver that fundamental right and the promise of fair and equal access to justice for all Californians.”

Presiding Judge Vicki Ashworth commented that “El Dorado County is excited to participate in this pilot program to help relieve some of the financial concerns our citizens face when called to serve on a jury. We believe this increase will greatly improve participation in jury service thereby maintaining an individual’s constitutional right to a jury of his/her peers.”

Which Counties Are Participating in the Pilot?

Funding for the pilot program is provided for the following seven superior courts: Alameda, El Dorado, Fresno, Imperial, Monterey, San Bernardino, and Shasta. The pilot will end by early 2026 or when the funding is exhausted, whichever comes first.

At the conclusion of the pilot, the Judicial Council will provide a report to the California State Legislature describing the findings of the pilot program and information for promoting juror diversity.

For more information, contact (530) 621-7469 for West Slope or (530) 573-3078 for South Lake Tahoe.

For general information on jury service, visit
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[Additional statewide initiatives to improve the jury system in California.](#)

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