

Summary of Social Host Ordinance Impact Evaluation Findings Ventura County, California

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SHO Indicator	Selected Findings
Passage and Implementation	SHOs in all 10 municipalities, a countywide SHO covering unincorporated areas, and a formal resolution to include federal land
SHO Violation Citations	Over 350 SHO citations issued to date in Ventura County
Characteristics of Violators	At least half of the hosts were under 21 and the percent of male hosts has decreased over time
Size of Party	Percent of hosts receiving citations for large parties with over 50 attendees has decreased since 2007
Repeat Offenders	Only 5-6% of violators were repeat offenders
Effectiveness	3 out of 4 officers agreed the SHO is an effective tool for reducing underage drinking parties
Negative Impacts	Over 90% of officers reported there have been no negative impacts resulting from the SHOs
Collection of Fines	30-69% of SHO fines have been collected

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