

# FIRST QUARTER REPORT 2016



To our Shareholders,

It is our pleasure to report the results of our first quarter 2016. During the quarter we celebrated 12 years serving Santa Cruz County. We are grateful to so many businesses and individuals who have wholeheartedly supported our vision, and who recently expressed their appreciation by voting us "Best Bank" in the county.

The Bank's financial performance continues to earn us top recognition on a statewide level. Financial Management Consulting (FMC) Group ranked us 2<sup>nd</sup> in overall financial performance for 2015 among 185 California banks and 1<sup>st</sup> (lowest) in nonperforming assets and asset quality. Moreover, The Findley Reports designated us as a Super Premier Performing Bank for a sixth consecutive year.

The financial data presented below and to the right summarizes the results of our first quarter of 2016. Comparing the three-months ended March 31, 2016 to the three-months ended March 31, 2015:

Net income increased \$250 thousand, 20% to \$1.5 million

Total deposits increased \$43.9 million, 10% to \$472 million

Gross loans increased \$46.0 million, 14% to \$375.2 million

Total assets increased \$50.1 million, 11% to \$524.7 million

The summary to the right also includes a comparison of first quarter of this year to the fourth quarter ended December 31, 2015. Basic earnings per share of \$0.69 for the first three-months of 2016 represents a \$0.11 or 19% increase over the same period in 2015. Our twelfth consecutive quarterly cash dividend was paid to shareholders in April, resulting in over \$1.2 million paid to shareholders. Shareholders' equity grew to \$46.0 million at March 31, 2016, a \$6.0 million, 15% increase over the prior year.

## **SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA (UNAUDITED)**

		QUARTER ENDED			CHANGE			QUARTER ENDED			CHANGE		
BALANCE SHEET		3/31/16		3/31/15		\$	%	-	12/31/15		\$	%	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 5	524,680,478	\$ 4	474,535,002	\$ 5	50,145,476	11%	\$ 5	513,336,864	\$	11,343,614	2%	
GROSS LOANS	3	375,200,453	З	329,220,953	4	5,979,500	14%	3	357,908,503		17,291,950	5%	
ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES	7,535,908		6,560,060		975,848		15%		7,362,210		173,698	2%	
NON INTEREST-BEARING DEPOSITS	194,380,033		173,573,733		20,806,300		12%	2	208,935,959	(1	4,555,926)	-7%	
TOTAL DEPOSITS	472,004,239		428,119,862		43,884,377		10%	462,235,030			9,769,209	2%	
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		46,013,587		40,012,363		6,001,224	15%		44,095,023		1,918,564	4%	
BOOK VALUE PER SHARE	\$	21.02	\$	18.62	\$	2.40	13%	\$	20.37				
INCOME STATEMENT													
INTEREST INCOME		5,551,950		4,706,672		845,278	18%		5,117,338		434,612	8%	
INTEREST EXPENSE		136,534		110,826		25,708	23%		116,595		19,939	17%	
NET INTEREST INCOME		5,415,416		4,595,846		819,570	18%		5,000,743		414,673	8%	
PROVISION FOR LOAN LOSSES		187,500		187,500		-	0%		357,500		(170,000)	-48%	
NON-INTEREST INCOME		964,623		908,685		55,938	6%		577,887		386,736	67%	
NON-INTEREST EXPENSE		3,681,557		3,290,381		391,176	12%		2,906,848		774,709	<u>27%</u>	
NET INCOME BEFORE TAXES		2,510,982		2,026,650		484,332	24%		2,314,282		196,700	8.5%	
INCOME TAX EXPENSE		1,010,809		776,498		234,311	30%		860,850		149,959	17%	
NET INCOME AFTER TAXES	\$	1,500,173	\$	1,250,152	\$	250,021	20%	\$	1,453,432	\$	46,741	3%	
BASIC EARNINGS PER SHARE	\$	0.69	\$	0.58	\$	0.11	19%	\$	0.68				
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NET INTEREST MARGIN		4.31%		4.17%					3.90%				
TIER 1 LEVERAGE RATIO		8.84%		8.68%					8.42%				
RETURN ON AVERAGE ASSETS		1.15%		1.09%					1.09%				
RETURN ON AVERAGE EQUITY		13.33%		12.78%					13.29%				
EFFICIENCY RATIO		57.70%		59.78%					52.12%				

In the last twelve months, we have added \$2.40 in book value per share to your investment. The book value per share of Santa Cruz County Bank stock of \$21.02 at March 31, 2016 increased in comparison to \$18.62 at March 31, 2015. Adding further to our list of accomplishments for building shareholder value, Santa Cruz County Bank was named one of the 50 best performing companies on the OTCQX marketplace based on total return and growth in average daily trading dollar volume in 2015.

To hear more about our performance and the year ahead, we encourage you to attend the Annual Meeting of Shareholders on May 24, 2016 at the Sesnon House on the Cabrillo College Campus at 4pm. You should receive by mail or electronic means a proxy voting card to vote your shares, along with the Bank's 2015 Annual Report and Proxy Statement.

As always, we thank you for your investment in Santa Cruz County Bank.



George Gall

George Gallucci Chairman of the Board





David Heald President & CEO

SCZC CASH DIVIDEND HISTORY							
Record Date	Payable Date						
June 28, 2013	July 10, 2013						
September 27, 2013	October 10, 2013						
December 27, 2013	January 10, 2014						
March 27, 2014	April 10, 2014						
June 25, 2014	July 10, 2014						
September 25, 2014	October 10, 2014						
December 30, 2014	January 12, 2015						
March 27, 2015	April 10, 2015						
July 1, 2015	July 14, 2015						
September 30, 2015	October 15, 2015						
December 21, 2015	January 11, 2016						
March 30, 2016	April 11, 2016						
All \$0.05 cash dividends							

#### STOCK LISTING OTCOX: SCZC

#### SHAREHOLDER INFORMATION

Shareholders with questions regarding their stockholder account, stock transfer and registration, lost certificates or change of address should contact their broker, or if held directly, contact the Bank's stock transfer agent, Computershare Investor Services, at 800.962.4284 or www.computershare.com. For other assistance with stock related matters, shareholders may contact Mary Anne Carson, Shareholder Relations at 831.457.5000.

The Bank's quarterly reports, 2015 Annual Report and stock quotes are available at www.sccountybank.com in the Investor Relations section.

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Tila Bañuelos Kenneth R. Chappell George R. Gallucci Thomas N. Griffin William J. Hansen David V. Heald Harvey J. Nickelson



## **RECENT AWARDS**

Santa Cruz Sentinel Readers' Choice Voted Best Bank in Santa Cruz County for 2015.

#### **Good Times Best of Santa Cruz County Readers' Poll** Voted Best Bank for the 4<sup>th</sup> consecutive year.

#### **Financial Management Consulting Group** Named the top bank for asset quality and non-performing assets and 2<sup>nd</sup> in California for Overall Bank Performance in 2015.

#### **Super Premier Performing Bank**

For a 6<sup>th</sup> consecutive year, Santa Cruz County Bank has been recognized as a Super Premier Performing Bank by The Findley Reports, Inc.

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