

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
BOARD AGENDA LETTER**



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Agenda Number:
Prepared on: 11/14/02
Department Name: Fire/OES
Department No.: 031
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Placement: Administrative
Estimate Time:
Continued Item: NO
If Yes, date from:

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: John Scherrei, Fire Chief
Fire Department

STAFF CONTACT: Bruce Carter, Emergency Services Manager
Fire / OES x5526

SUBJECT: Resolution Authorizing Signatories to Obtain Financial Assistance Regarding
Domestic Preparedness Equipment Funding

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors adopt a Resolution authorizing certain employees to execute applications and documents for the purpose of obtaining financial assistance through the Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Office of State and Local Domestic Preparedness (OJP) combined Fiscal Year 2000-2001 State Domestic Preparedness Equipment Program, and the future third cycle of the OJP funding for the next Fiscal Year, which the State will release in the next three months.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation is primarily aligned with actions required by law or by routine business necessity.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

The Office of the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Justice Programs, in coordination with the National Domestic Preparedness Office, is providing financial assistance directly to the states via the "Fiscal Year 2001 State Domestic Preparedness Equipment Program" grant. This grant offers funding for the purchase of specialized equipment for first responders. OES has been informed by the State that a third funding cycle of the same OJP grant will be made available within the next three months and will have short turnaround times for the application package. Given the application package for the next funding cycle will be almost identical to the Fiscal Year 2000-2001 combined grant, the State has agreed to accept the same resolution authorizing the officials listed to apply for and execute applications and documents for the purpose of obtaining financial assistance.

As the State Administering Agency of the federal grant, the Governor's Office of Emergency Services is working with Operational Areas to sub-grant available funding to local jurisdictions. The grant combined Fiscal Year 2000-2001 package will provide funding of \$168,290 for specialized equipment purchases to upgrade first responder domestic anti-terrorism preparedness. The state has identified an additional \$253,465 for the third funding cycle. The aggregate sum of these two grants will total \$421,755 and be in addition to the \$68,502 that was received during the first funding cycle from Fiscal Year 1999 funds. The total amount to be received under the OJP Domestic Preparedness Equipment Grants will be \$490,257.

Mandates and Service Levels:

The county is designated as the Santa Barbara County Operational Area for emergency planning and response. State OES has requested that the Operational Area act as the lead agency as coordinators/facilitators of the grant application process. While the County is not mandated to obtain all available grant funding, it is advisable to take advantage of the funding available through this grant.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

This resolution allows the Fire Department's Office of Emergency Services to apply for and file reimbursement claims under the Domestic Preparedness Needs Assessment and Equipment Program through the State Office of Emergency Services. This grant program will provide \$168,290 in funding for domestic preparedness equipment purchases. The third funding cycle will provide \$253,465 similar funding. Total OJP funding to be awarded under the three year funding cycle will be \$490,257; of which, \$68,502 has already been received.

Special Instructions:

Please return executed copies to the Fire Department's Office of Emergency Services.

Concurrence:

County Counsel
Auditor-Controller

Attachments:

Resolution

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA,
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF DESIGNATING RESOLUTION NO. _____
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THOSE AUTHORIZED TO SEEK FINANCIAL
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ASSISTANCE THROUGH THE FISCAL YEAR
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2000-2001, and 2002 STATE DOMESTIC)
PREPAREDNESS EQUIPMENT PROGRAM
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GRANT)

WHEREAS, the Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Office of State and Local Domestic Preparedness (OJP) combined Fiscal Year 2000-2001 and Fiscal Year 2002 State Domestic Preparedness Equipment Program provides financial assistance for funding first responder equipment purchases; and

WHEREAS, the County Office of Emergency Services has coordinated a county-wide needs assessment to determine threat potential, vulnerability, and emergency responder capability; and

WHEREAS, the County Office of Emergency Services will coordinate equipment purchases to enhance the capabilities of first responders; and

WHEREAS, the State Domestic Preparedness Equipment Program grant is administered through the Governor's Office of Emergency Services; and

WHEREAS, the State Domestic Preparedness Equipment Program grant requires that jurisdictions applying for funding designate Authorized Officials who may execute applications and documents for the purpose of obtaining financial assistance;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the individuals whose names, titles, and specimen signatures appear below are hereby designated as Authorized Officials and are authorized to execute for and on behalf of Santa Barbara County, a public entity established under the laws of the State of California, applications and documents for the purpose of obtaining financial assistance under the State Domestic Preparedness Equipment Program.

_____ Michael F. Brown, County Administrator

_____ John M. Scherrei, Fire Chief, Santa Barbara County Fire

_____ Steve Vittum, Deputy Fire Chief, Santa Barbara County Fire

_____ Bruce Carter, Manager, County Office of Emergency Services

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this _____ day of _____, 2002, by the following vote

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

ATTEST:

Chair, Board of Supervisors
County of Santa Barbara

ATTEST:
MICHAEL F. BROWN
CLERK OF THE BOARD

By: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

STEPHEN SHANE STARK
COUNTY COUNSEL

By: _____

APPROVED AS TO ACCOUNTING FORM:
ROBERT W. GEIS, C.P.A.
AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

By _____