



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Auditor-Controller
Department No.: 061
For Agenda Of: August 19, 2008
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme: 0
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Robert W. Geis, CPA, CPFO
Director(s) Auditor-Controller
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Specialty Accounting Division Chief

SUBJECT: Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Fund (SLESF) Allocation for Fiscal Year 2007-08

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Other Concurrence: N/A

As to form: Select_Concurrence

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Accept and file the attached report summarizing the annual allocation of \$1,494,588.00 for the Citizens Option for Public Safety Program (COPS) and \$1,337,931.00 for the Juvenile Justice Programs, along with \$6,280.04 in interest earnings from the County Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Fund (SLESF) for fiscal year 2007-2008.

Summary Text:

This report is mandated by Government Code section 30063(c)

Background:

On September 10, 1996, the County established the Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Fund (SLESF), a Supplemental Law Enforcement Oversight Committee (SLEOC) and requested a disbursement of COPS money from the State Controller. On September 8, 2000 AB 1913 amended Government code sections 30061, 30062, 30063 and 30064.1 and redefined the SLESF allocation and terms.

Additionally, AB 1913 (September 8, 2000) requires the Auditor-Controller to detail and summarize allocations from the SLESF in an annual report to the SLEOC, the Board of Supervisors, and the Sheriff. This report and the attached allocation spreadsheet are intended to satisfy this requirement.

On April 8, 2002 AB 823 amended Government code sections 30061 and 30063 and added a requirement to be completed before any COPS funding is distributed. AB 823 requires the SLEOC to certify receipt of an approved expenditure plan from the governing board of the recipient agencies in order for the Auditor-Controller to distribute the COPS funding. The recipient agencies include the Sheriff for jail construction and operation, the District Attorney for criminal prosecution, and the cities within the county for front-line enforcement. The SLEOC certified receipt of the recipient agencies expenditure plan in October 2007, and subsequently the Auditor-Controller distributed the \$1,494,588.00 of COPS funding for fiscal year 2007-08.

Starting fiscal year 2006-2007, the funding period for the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA) changed. The purpose of changing the funding period is to ensure counties have appropriate funds on hand for their JJCPA program. Previously, the County received monies in October but could not spend the JJCPA funds until the following July; Under this change, the County is now able to immediately spend 75% of the monies in the current fiscal year and the remaining 25% in the first quarter of the subsequent fiscal year. This ensures continuity of the programs in the event that the State Budget Act is not enacted on time.

Government Code Sections 30061-30065 requires that the Auditor-Controller receive the Corrections Standards Authority (CSA, previously Board of Corrections) approval of a Comprehensive Multiagency Juvenile Justice Plan (CMJJP) before the Juvenile Justice Program funding is distributed to the Probation Department. In October, 2007, The Office of Auditor Controller received a letter from CSA regarding the funding period change and subsequently released \$1,003,448.25.00 (75% of the funding) in October, 2007 and \$334,482.75 (25% of the funding) in July, 2008 for Juvenile Justice Programs.

A total of \$6,280.04 in interest was earned from the date of the receipt of the Juvenile Justice Program funding to the date of distribution. The interest earned was distributed and reported to the Probation Department as mandated by Government Code Sections 30061-30065.

Performance Measure:

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

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

There are no fiscal or facilities impacts as a result of this Board Action.

Staffing Impacts:

There are no staffing impacts as a result of this Board Action.

Special Instructions:

None

Attachments:

Attachment A: Allocation Report – FY 0708

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Sheriff Bill Brown
District Attorney Christie Stanley