



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Sheriff
Department No.: 032
For Agenda Of: April 22, 2014
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: 4/5ths

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Sheriff Bill Brown
Director(s)
Contact Info: CFO Doug Martin Ext. 4293
Lieutenant Craig Bonner Ext. 4353

SUBJECT: Acceptance of \$179,873 grant for the Marijuana Suppression Program (MSP) for the FY2013-2014

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Other Concurrence: N/A

As to form: No

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Accept a \$179,873 grant, for the FY 2013-14, from the Board of State and Community Corrections (herein referred to as the BSCC) to fund a fourth year of the Marijuana Suppression Program (MSP).
- b) Approve Budget Revision #0003287 recognizing the grant revenue and appropriating expenditures in the Sheriff's Office and the District Attorney's Office.
- c) Approve a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors authorizing the Sheriff to execute the agreement with ABC for the grant.
- d) Find that the proposed action does not constitute a "Project" within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to 14 CCR 15378 (b)(5), in that it is a government administrative activity that will not result in direct or indirect changes in the environment.

Summary Text:

As part of a multi-year Justice Assistance Grant program, the California Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) is prepared to award a continuation grant to the Santa Barbara Sheriff's Office for

\$179,873 for FY 2013/2014 to fund a Marijuana Suppression Program (MSP) within Santa Barbara County. The MSP program enhances law enforcement resources in the detection and elimination of unlawful marijuana cultivation and trafficking within and through Santa Barbara County.

The BSCC has requested a new resolution for the fourth year of the Santa Barbara County MSP grant program, from the governing board, to include specific verbiage. The verbiage includes the understanding that the federal grant funds received hereunder shall not be used to supplant expenditures controlled by this body. In addition the implementing agency/organization and partnering entities agree to abide by the statute and regulations governing the federal Justice Assistance Grant Program as well as the terms and conditions of the anticipated grant agreement as set forth by the BSCC.

Background:

Santa Barbara County, like other California counties, has experienced an increase in the unlawful cultivation and trafficking of marijuana in recent years. The Santa Barbara County MSP program is designed to suppress and investigate unlawful marijuana cultivation and trafficking activities in Santa Barbara County, seize assets of persons violating marijuana cultivation and trafficking laws, and educate the public on the illegal use of marijuana.

These grant funds will aid in the suppression and investigation of unlawful marijuana cultivation and trafficking crimes occurring within and through Santa Barbara County by:

- Partially funding Sheriff’s Narcotics detective, who is responsible for conducting investigations targeting unlawful marijuana cultivation and trafficking in Santa Barbara County.
- Improving the quality of the investigations of unlawful marijuana cultivation and trafficking and eradication efforts targeting unlawful marijuana cultivation sites, through specialized training and by deploying experienced narcotics detectives.
- Protecting children within our Santa Barbara County communities, via the Drug Endangered Children (DEC) program, working with Child Welfare Services to remove and care for children who are found in the presence of a clandestine laboratories and/or who are found in settings involving the use, possession, manufacturing, sale or transportation of illicit drugs pursuant to California PC 13879.80&81, as well as criminally prosecuting those individuals who endanger the safety and well-being of children.
- Improving the ability of our District Attorney’s Office to successfully prosecute marijuana cases through specialized training and coordination with law enforcement to improve prosecution efforts and lawfully forfeit assets of marijuana cultivators and traffickers.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: No

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund			
State	\$ 179,873.00	\$ 179,873.00	
Other:			
Total	\$ 179,873.00	\$ 179,873.00	\$ -

Narrative:

Budget Revision Request #0003287 recognizes the anticipated \$179,873 in Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) grant funds and corresponding expenses. This funding will partially pay for the staffing costs of one additional Special Duty Deputy Sheriff (remainder of cost covered by other grants), the services of the District Attorneys Office, operating expenses and equipment purchases incurred on behalf of the MSP program. The grant operates on a reimbursement basis, whereby claims of expenses incurred are filed with the BSCC and payments are usually received within 60 days. The associated revenues and expenditures will be accounted for in the Sheriff Office budget under Project Code 2570.

Special Instructions:

Please send a copy of the resolution and the minute order to Doug Martin and Lt. Craig Bonner at the Sheriff's Office.

Attachments

Resolution to Accept Grant

BRR #0003287

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