

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY  
BOARD AGENDA LETTER**



Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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**Agenda Number:**  
**Prepared on:** 9/3/02  
**Department Name:** Sheriff  
**Department No.:** 032  
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**Placement:** Administrative  
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**Continued Item:** NO  
**If Yes, date from:**

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Jim Thomas  
Sheriff Department

**STAFF CONTACT:** Lia M. Schade, Director, Financial Services Bureau  
681-4190

**SUBJECT:** State COPS Grant Allocation for FY 2002-2003

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**Recommendation(s):**

That the Board of Supervisors:

Approve an estimated \$906,180 in resource and use allocation of State COPS funds for supplemental law enforcement equipment, programs and/or personnel in Fiscal Year 2002-2003.

**Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:**

The recommendation(s) are primarily aligned with actions required by law or by routine business necessity.

**Executive Summary and Discussion:**

The State Citizen's Option for Public Safety (COPS) Grant for the new budget year is expected to be finalized with the Governor's signature on the State Budget. Government Codes Sections 30061-30065 describes requirements related to the COPS Grant, including that your Board review the expenditure allocation plan in a public hearing to be held in September of each year. This letter serves to fulfill that particular requirement.

The proposed expenditure plan for fiscal year 2002-2003 also includes the contract cities of Buellton, Carpinteria, Goleta and Solvang. The contract cities are procuring formal Minute Orders allowing the Sheriff Department to administer this grant program on their behalf.

The funds allocated to the County of Santa Barbara are to be allocated as follows:

- 5.15% to the County Sheriff for jail construction and operation;
- 5.15% to the District Attorney for criminal prosecution;

39.70% to the county and cities within the county (by population); and, 50.00% to the county juvenile justice plan.

The following is a summary of estimated State COPS allocations and uses for FY 2002-03:

Agency	Amount	Use
District Attorney	\$140,680	Continue two Truancy Program Supervisor positions
Sheriff, Patrol	\$225,000	Continue partial funding for nine deputy positions added under Federal COPS Grant Program
Sheriff, Custody	\$117,275	Replace Main Control Room Board, Jail Intake & Release Center
	\$ 23,225	Apply towards replacement and upgrade of main jail software system
City of Carpinteria	\$100,000	Added one Community Resource Officer, with vehicle and equipment
City of Buellton	\$100,000	Added one Community Resource Officer, with vehicle and equipment
City of Solvang	\$100,000	Added one Community Resource Officer, with vehicle and equipment
Total	\$806,180	

**Mandates and Service Levels:**

California Government Code Sections 30061 through 30065 contain various requirements for participation in the State COPS grant program, including: the establishment of a Supplement Law Enforcement Services Fund (SLESF); the establishment and annual meeting of a local oversight committee; guidelines for the Auditor or Treasurer's administration of the monies; providing a minimum distribution of \$100,000 to each city; annual reporting to the State Controller regarding the use of the funds each October 15th; the formal appropriation of anticipated moneys by the Board of Supervisors by public hearing in September of each qualifying year (today's action); the full use or return of funds to the state; and, that the funds may only be used for supplemental front-line law enforcement purposes, including jail construction, District Attorney prosecution and a juvenile justice program.

The services levels will remain roughly the same as years' past, with the exception of increasing personnel costs offset by increased deputy vacancies in the Sheriff patrol program in the unincorporated area.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

These allocations were included in the FY 2002-2003 Adopted County Budget, in revenue account #4331 and various expenditure accounts totaling \$806,180 so that there was no County General fund impact. If the actual allocation differs materially from the estimated amount, the Department(s) may return to your Board with a Budget Revision to adjust the resource and use allocations appropriately.

Incorporated cities have historically received a minimum distribution of \$100,000, with any adjustments due to population distribution (up or down) made to the allocation to the unincorporated area (i.e., Sheriff patrol). The allocation for the newly-incorporated City of Goleta is estimated at \$100,000; therefore, the Sheriff Patrol amount of \$225,000 has been reduced from \$325,000 in order to reflect this shift. However, the actual amount has yet to be determined and any difference may impact the allocation and service level provided to the remaining unincorporated area.

There are no anticipated facility impacts in continuing this grant program.

**Special Instructions:**

*Clerk of the Board:* Please send a copy of the official Minute Order to the Sheriff Department, attention: Lia M. Schade.

**Concurrence:**

District Attorney  
Cities of Buellton, Carpinteria, Goleta & Solvang