

# BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors 105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407 Santa Barbara, CA 93101 (805) 568-2240 Agenda Number:

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**Auditor-Controller Concurrence** 

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Department Patricia J. Stewart, Chief Probation Officer

Director(s)

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**SUBJECT:** 2008 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Funds and the California Governor's Office

of Emergency Services (OES) Grant

### **County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes As to form: N/A

### **Other Concurrence:**

District Attorney

Sheriff-Coroner

City of Santa Barbara

City of Santa Maria As to form: Yes

#### **Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

A. Authorize the Chief Probation Officer of the Santa Barbara County Probation Department to sign the 2008 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) and the Office of Emergency Services (OES) Grant award agreements on behalf of Santa Barbara County and accept the JAG award in the amount of \$42,821 for the grant period October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2012, and the OES award in the amount of \$176,781 for the fiscal year 2008-2009.

#### **Summary Text:**

During the period covered by the JAG and OES grants, the Santa Barbara County Anti-Drug Abuse project will use a multi-jurisdictional narcotic task force and prosecution component to target major narcotic vendors operating in or trafficking through the county. The project will also focus on probation and parole cases with ties to narcotic use or sales, especially those with gang associations. By targeting these areas, the project expects to positively impact the community by driving drug traffickers from Santa Barbara County, effectively decreasing violent crimes. In order to increase the efficiency of the anti-drug abuse efforts of our County, our project will serve as the lead agency in coordinating interjurisdictional meetings, which will include all narcotic units operating in Santa Barbara County, as well as participating in inter-jurisdictional gang enforcement meetings.

## **Background:**

Santa Barbara County has received the Byrne Formula Grant funding for 18 years. In an effort to streamline justice funding and grant administration, the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs created the Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG). The 2008 JAG funds, combined with funds from the California State Office of Emergency Services (OES), will be used to support the Santa Barbara Regional Narcotic Enforcement Team (SBRNET). The County Law Enforcement Chiefs (CLEC) and the Alcohol Drug Program Administrator comprise the grants' required Steering Committee which is responsible for determining how these funds available to Santa Barbara County are utilized.

As stated in previous Board Letters, SBRNET is a collaborative effort between all local law enforcement agencies to apply certain strategies designed to reduce the flow of narcotics through our county. The project uses searches, buy-bust operations and street sweeps as some of the tactics by which to accomplish the desired reduction of narcotic distribution in Santa Barbara County. The agencies involved in the project include the Santa Barbara County Probation Department, the Santa Barbara County District Attorney's Office, the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Department, the Santa Barbara Police Department, the Lompoc Police Department, the Santa Maria Police Department, the Guadalupe Police Department and the State of California Department of Justice, Bureau of Narcotic Enforcement. The objectives of these grants remain unchanged.

As indicated in the attached interlocal agreements and by unanimous decision of CLEC, all grant funds will be utilized to offset the costs associated with personnel assigned to SBRNET by the participating agencies.

### **Performance Measure:**

Over 40 performance measures are tracked and reported to the OES and JAG grants. Along with investigative case specific data, the following are a few of the key measures:

100% of children encountered at lab sites will be handled pursuant to the Santa Barbara County Drug Endangered Children (DEC) Protocol.

SBRNET will respond to and assist all local law enforcement agencies with the dismantling of methamphetamine labs as requested. In the course of this action, all Level I DEC cases will be addressed. Additionally, in the course of the service of search warrants, etc., where methamphetamine labs are not present, all determined Level II DEC cases will also be addressed per the Santa Barbara County DEC Protocol.

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# 40 probation/parole referrals or random compliance searches will be conducted.

SBRNET will conduct multi-agency field contacts of gang-associated probationer/parolees with narcotic related offenses throughout the year. To further suppress narcotic related gang activity, SBRNET will outreach to probation officers and parole agents with narcotic and gang associated caseloads for the purpose of exchanging information and increasing collaboration efforts.

# 90 assists to local law enforcement on narcotic related activity will take place.

SBRNET will further the collaborative efforts between local law enforcement narcotic units and the multi-jurisdictional task force by responding to requests for assistance by local law enforcement units. The goal in making the multi-jurisdictional task force available for this type of activity to increase the flow of information and intelligence, as well as providing a substantive working relationship between the agencies and individual detectives.

# **Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: Select\_Budgeted

### **Fiscal Analysis:**

Funding Sources	Current FY Cost:		Annualized On-going Cost:		Total One-Time Project Cost	
General Fund	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
State	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Federal	\$	219,602.00	\$	-	\$	-
Fees	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Other:	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Total	\$	219,602.00	\$	-	\$	-

**Narrative:** The JAG program does not require any local match and accordingly there is no County General Fund contribution. There will be no facility impacts.

#### **Staffing Impacts:**

Legal Positions: FTEs:
No effect No effect

The recommendation will not result in an increase or decrease in FTE or legal positions.

## **Special Instructions:**

Please return eight (8) Certified Minute Orders to Michael Cameron, at the Santa Barbara County Probation Department, 117 E. Carrillo St., Santa Barbara, CA 93101.

#### **Attachments:**

Attachment A: JAG Inter-local Agreements
Attachment B: Probation Department Mandates.

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