



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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Santa Barbara, CA 93101  
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Department Name: Probation  
Department No.: 022  
For Agenda Of: February 15, 2011  
Placement: Administrative  
Estimated Tme:  
Continued Item: No  
If Yes, date from:  
Vote Required: Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

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**SUBJECT:** Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2012 California Office of Traffic Safety Grant  
Application Authorization

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: N/A

**Other Concurrence:** N/A

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: N/A

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

Authorize the Chief Probation Officer to submit an application and execute the Grant Award Agreement for anticipated funding of the 2012 California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) Grant in the amount of \$108,837 for the period covering October 1, 2011, to September 30, 2012.

**Summary Text:**

OTS provides funding to mitigate traffic safety program deficiencies, expand ongoing activities or develop new programs. The Santa Barbara County Probation Department proposes to improve overall safety in the County through a combination of enforcement and supervision efforts. Enforcement activities will include locating driving under the influence (DUI) convicted absconders, and conducting surveillance and apprehension of unlicensed DUI probationers who drive. Supervision efforts will include targeting the highest risk DUI probationers for increased field and office contacts, searches and alcohol testing.

**Background:**

OTS distributes federal funding apportioned to California under the National Highway Safety Act and the Safe, Accountable and Flexible Efficiency Transportation Equity Act – A Legacy for Users

(SAFETEA-LU). In addition to funding traditional law enforcement sobriety checkpoints and other DUI traffic related efforts, OTS works with Probation Departments statewide in order to encourage a multidisciplinary effort to reduce repeat DUI offenses.

The Santa Barbara County Probation Department has received OTS funding since June 2006. Prior grant efforts have focused on reducing DUI warrants and providing an increased level of field and office contacts for those offenders on bank caseloads. Most recently, the focus was shifted to providing risk and needs assessment specific to the DUI population and supervising the highest risk DUI offenders in the Santa Maria region on a dedicated DUI caseload. The officer assigned to this caseload provides intensive supervision to these cases as well as working closely with the DUI treatment providers and assisting with the Secure Continuous Remote Alcohol Monitoring (SCRAM) program.

The Santa Maria region was selected for this effort, as it has the highest number of supervised DUI probationers, as well as the highest number of DUI offenders on the SCRAM program. The need to target this region is further demonstrated by OTS rankings data taken from the latest published California Highway Patrol (CHP) Statewide Integrated Traffic Records System (SWITRS) report, which included Santa Maria in a comparison of 104 like-sized California cities and revealed that Santa Maria ranked the highest in the number of alcohol-involved collisions that resulted in killed and injured victims.

This year’s application will continue the focus on high risk DUI probationers in the Santa Maria region. The current grant cycle, which commenced on October 1, 2010, allowed the Department to begin the effort to increase supervision to this population, while also utilizing evidenced-based practices. It is anticipated that a minimum of two years of data will be needed to effectively analyze the project’s outcomes.

**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			
Federal	\$ 81,628.00	\$ 108,837.00	
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ 81,628.00	\$ 108,837.00	

**Narrative:**

The total grant request is \$108,837 for the FFY grant period beginning October 1, 2011 and ending September 30, 2012. The FFY 2011- 2012 grant would extend for an additional year the current OTS funding of a Deputy Probation Officer position, which was unfunded in Fiscal Year (FY) 2009-2010, due to budget constraints. If awarded, \$81,628 would be included in the FY 2011-2012 budget, and \$27,209 would be included in the FY 2012-2013 budget. There is no match requirement. The grant fully funds the cost of the position. The Probation Department’s General Fund contribution will not increase as a result of approving this grant.

**Staffing Impacts:**

**Legal Positions:**  
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**FTEs:**  
0

**Special Instructions:**

Please return two (2) Certified Minute Orders to Michael Cameron, Fiscal Manager, Probation Department, 117 E. Carrillo Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93101

**Attachments:**

Attachment A – Department Mandates

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