



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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**Department Name:** Sheriff's Office  
**Department No.:** 032  
**For Agenda Of:** February 25, 2020  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimated Time:**  
**Continued Item:** No  
**If Yes, date from:**  
**Vote Required:** 4/5

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Department Sheriff, Bill Brown, Ext 14290  
Director  
Contact Info: Lt. Eddie Hsueh, Ext 65002  
**SUBJECT:** Authorize Acceptance of California Department of Justice Tobacco Grant funds

**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Risk Management:**

As to form: Yes

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Other Concurrence:** Human Resources

As to form: Yes

**Recommended Actions:** That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Accept the California Department of Justice Tobacco Grant from the State of California Department of Justice for 2019/2020, 2020/2021, 2021/2022 in the total amount of \$553,029.00 for increased law enforcement services;
- b) Adopt the Resolution of the Board of Supervisors in Attachment A authorizing the Sheriff to execute an agreement with the California Department of Justice for the grant;
- c) Approve Budget Journal Entry # 0006773 appropriating \$75,000.00 in grant revenue for FY2019-20 and corresponding expense;
- d) Determine this action is exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15378(b) (4), finding that the action is a creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant impact on the environment.

**Summary Text:**

The people of the State of California have enacted The California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tax Act of 2016 (Proposition 56), which provides local public agencies with funding to promote a healthier California by reducing illegal sales and marketing of cigarettes and tobacco products to minors. The Office of the Attorney General makes these annual funds available to local law enforcement agencies through the California Department of Justice Tobacco Grant Program

On 10/2/2019, the Sheriff’s Office received notification that our grant application was approved by the State of California Department of Justice and would be awarded \$553,029.00 over a 3-year grant cycle, for use of increasing law enforcement staffing to reduce illegal sales, marketing of cigarettes and tobacco products to minors. The grant proposal included funding for a School Resource Deputy in the Santa Ynez Valley that would also be available to assist with enforcing tobacco laws in other areas and educational programs. Additional funding was requested and approved for deputies to assist the Public Health Department with tobacco sting/decoy operations to reduce sales of tobacco products to minors.

The acceptance of this grant funding will allow the Sheriff’s Office to increase our law enforcement presence in Santa Ynez valley schools to provide a higher level of safety for our youth. It will also allow the Sheriff’s Office to enforce tobacco laws countywide by having deputies involved in sting/decoy operations in South, Central and North Santa Barbara County.

This agenda item is being submitted for Board approval to authorize the Sheriff to receive the available grant funding in the amount of \$553,029.00, and to approve a resolution as required by the funding agency.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: No

**Fiscal Analysis:**

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>FY 2020-21</u>	<u>FY 2021-22</u>
General Fund			
State	\$75,000.00	\$ 236,528.00	\$241,500.00
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 236,528.00	\$ 241,500.00

The expected prorated amount to be used this current fiscal year is estimated to be \$75,000.00. As allowed by the grant the unused amount allocated for this fiscal year can be rolled into subsequent years and is reflected in the table above. Reimbursement by the State is received quarterly.

**Staffing Impacts:**

The position for the Santa Ynez Valley School Resource Deputy will utilize an existing unfunded deputy sheriff line, instead of adding a new legal position to the Sheriff's Office. A school resource deputy will be recruited from within the department that meets the minimum qualifications for a special duty assignment and assigned full-time to this program funded by the grant for 3-years. Deputies assisting with sting/decoy operations will either be on an overtime or extra-help basis funded by the grant.

**Special Instructions:**

Please send two copies of the Minute Order and signed Resolution to the Sheriff's Office, Attention Lt. Eddie Hsueh.

**Attachments:**

Attachment A: Board Resolution

Attachment B: MOU between SBSO and CA DOJ

Attachment C: Budget Journal Entry

Attachment D Letter of grant award notification dated September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019 by CA DOJ

Attachment E: Tobacco Grant Program Budget Detail

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