



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: 4-2-2013  
Placement: Administrative  
Estimated Tme: N/A  
Continued Item: No  
If Yes, date from:  
Vote Required: 4/5ths

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Sheriff Bill Brown Ext. 4290  
Contact Info: Steve Robel, Lieutenant Ext. 6174  
**SUBJECT:** Acceptance of a \$50,000 Grant for Operation Stonegarden to address the incursion of undocumented aliens and contraband from Mexico

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: N/A

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Other Concurrence:** N/A

As to form: No

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a). Accept a \$50,000 grant from the California Emergency Management Agency (CAL EMA) to assist with the enforcement of undocumented aliens and the transport of illegal drugs from Mexico.
- b). Approve budget revision 0002715 establishing appropriations of \$50,000 in Sheriff General Fund for overtime funded by unanticipated revenue from Cal EMA Operation Stonegarden Grant.

**Summary Text:**

On December 4, 2012, the Santa Barbara Sheriff's Office was awarded a grant up to \$ 50,000 from the California Emergency Management Agency (CAL EMA) for participation in Operation Stonegarden. The program enhances law enforcement resources in the detection and investigation of undocumented aliens transporting illegal drugs from Mexico to the United States. The Santa Barbara Sheriff's Office will use the funds for overtime incurred.

**Background:**

Historically, Los Angeles and San Diego Counties have been highly favored operational areas for alien and drug smuggling organizations to bring illegal drugs, via boat, to the United States. As the maritime threat continues to increase it is now affecting the coastlines of Ventura, Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo counties. In order to raise the level of boarder security and reduce the threat of border-related crime, law enforcement presence and special operations in rural and coastal areas will help reduce

criminal activity associated with alien and drug smuggling. This grant will allow deputies to assist allied agencies with investigations and interdiction efforts within Santa Barbara County.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: No

**Fiscal Analysis:**

Budget Revision Request 0002715 recognizes \$ 50,000 in State Cal EMA grant funds and corresponding expenses. The grant operates on a reimbursement basis, whereby claims of expenses incurred are filed with Cal EMA and payments are usually received within 60 days. The associated revenues and expenditures will be accounted for in the Financial Information Network under Project Code 2616.

**Attachments:**

Budget Revision Request 0002715

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**cc:**

Sheriff Bill Brown