

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY  
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

June 25, 2024

**FROM**

**SHANNON D. DICUS, Sheriff/Coroner/Public Administrator**

**SUBJECT**

Amendment to Revenue Agreement with the Office of National Drug Control Policy for the 2023 High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Program

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

1. Approve **Amendment No. 2**, effective March 22, 2024, to **Contract No. 23-312** (Federal Award No. G23LA0001A) with the Office of National Drug Control Policy for the 2023 High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Program, accepting a supplemental grant award in the amount of \$29,125, increasing the total award from \$1,180,830 to \$1,209,955, with no change in the performance period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2024.
2. Authorize the Sheriff/Coroner/Public Administrator to execute and submit Amendment No. 2 and any subsequent non-substantive amendments, on behalf of the County, as requested by the Office of National Drug Control Policy, subject to review by County Counsel.
3. Direct the Sheriff/Coroner/Public Administrator to transmit Amendment No. 2, and any amendments, to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors within 30 days of execution.  
(Presenter: Kelly Welty, Chief Deputy Director, 387-3760)

**COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES**

**Operate in a Fiscally-Responsible and Business-Like Manner.**

**Provide for the Safety, Health and Social Service Needs of County Residents.**

**Pursue County Goals and Objectives by Working with Other Agencies and Stakeholders.**

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

Approval of this item will not result in the use of Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). The supplemental grant award in the amount of \$29,125 increases the total award from \$1,180,830 to \$1,209,955, for the performance period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2024. A budget adjustment is not requested at this time but will be included on the 2024-25 midyear budget report presented to the Board of Supervisors (Board) for approval.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) Program provides federal assistance to local law enforcement agencies operating in areas determined to be critical drug-trafficking regions of the United States. The program aims to reduce drug trafficking and production by facilitating cooperation and providing reliable law enforcement intelligence among law enforcement agencies and supporting coordinated law enforcement strategies that make the best use of available resources.

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Since 1997, the Sheriff/Coroner/Public Administrator (Department) has received HIDTA grant funds from the Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) for the Inland Regional Narcotics Enforcement Team (IRNET), Regional Methamphetamine Task Force (RMTF), Vehicle Interdiction Pipeline Enforcement Resource (VIPER) Task Force, and, most recently, the Emerging Threat (ET) initiative. IRNET is a joint effort between the Department, as the lead agency, and other member agencies designed to target, investigate, and prosecute major drug trafficking organizations. RMTF is a joint effort between San Bernardino and Riverside counties to target major methamphetamine production/distribution and arrest persons/organizations involved in illicit sales and trafficking of methamphetamine. VIPER is a joint effort between the Sheriff's Departments of Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, and Riverside counties to target drug trafficking on the highway for overdose response and death investigations. The ET Initiative increases the overall baseline amount for every HIDTA to address the Nation's drug overdose crisis.

On April 25, 2023 (Item No. 63), the Board approved Contract No. 23-312 for a grant award in the amount of \$1,149,330 from the ONDCP for the performance period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2024. On December 5, 2023 (Item No. 61), the Board approved Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. 23-312 for a supplemental grant award in the amount of \$31,500, increasing the award from \$1,149,330 to \$1,180,830, with no change to the performance period.

ONDCP conducted a review of its awardees' outstanding balances and reprogrammed these funds to Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino counties. On April 3, 2024, the Department was notified of a supplemental grant award in the amount of \$29,125, with no change in the performance period. The request for acceptance of the supplemental grant award is being submitted at the first available Board date upon completion of the review process. There have been no expenditures against the supplemental grant award to date.

Approval of Recommendation No. 2 will authorize the Sheriff/Coroner/Public Administrator to sign the grant award documents (Amendment No. 2 to Contract No. 23-312) and any subsequent non-substantive amendments, in compliance with ONDCP's policy.

**PROCUREMENT**

Not applicable.

**REVIEW BY OTHERS**

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Grace B. Parsons, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on May 28, 2024; Finance (Erika Rodarte, Administrative Analyst, 387-4919) on June 7, 2024; and County Finance and Administration (Robert Saldana, Deputy Executive Officer, 387-5423) on June 9, 2024.

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Record of Action of the Board of Supervisors  
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**APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)**

Moved: Curt Hagman   Seconded: Joe Baca, Jr.  
Ayes: Col. Paul Cook (Ret.), Jesse Armendarez, Dawn Rowe, Curt Hagman, Joe Baca, Jr.

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

BY   
DATED: June 25, 2024



cc: Sheriff - Welty w/ agrees for sign  
Contractor c/o Sheriff w/ agree  
File w/ agree  
JLL 07/10/2024