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

March 12, 2024

FROM

SHANNON D. DICUS, Sheriff/Coroner/Public Administrator

SUBJECT

Inmate Welfare Fund Annual Expenditure Report

RECOMMENDATION(S)

Receive annual expenditure report for the Inmate Welfare Fund for Fiscal Year 2022-23. (Presenter: Ernie Perez, Deputy Chief, 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.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

This item will not result in the use of Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). Receipt of this annual expenditure report, including its Exhibits A and B, is non-financial in nature. As referenced in the report, total expenditures funded by the Inmate Welfare Fund for 2022-23 were \$4,403,977. These expenditures include salaries, services/supplies, contract services and equipment. Funding for the Inmate Welfare Fund is derived from proceeds of inmate commissary and telephone services.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Penal Code (PC) Section 4025 of the California Penal Code (PC) provides for the Sheriff/Coroner/Public Administrator (Sheriff) to maintain an Inmate Welfare Fund primarily for the benefit, education, and welfare of incarcerated individuals, as well as the maintenance of County jail facilities. This section of the Penal Code also requires that an annual expenditure report (Exhibit A) of the Inmate Welfare Fund be submitted to the Board of Supervisors (Board). In addition, PC subsection 4025.5 requires an annual expenditure report be presented to the Board detailing funds spent on reentry services within 30 days after the inmate's release (Exhibit B).

Under Penal Code section 4025, inmate welfare funds are used to support several programs including the Inmate Rehabilitation Through the Occupational and Academic Development System (INROADS) program, which includes academic, vocational, parenting and life skills training. During the reporting year, expenditures also included funding for chaplains, workforce development staff, enhanced healthcare, law library services, administrative costs and related expenditures necessary to manage the various programs.

The Inmate Welfare Fund Committee (Committee) is comprised of six citizens appointed by the Sheriff to oversee the use of the Inmate Welfare Fund, and acts as an advisory panel for inmate

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educational and vocational programs. The Sheriff has sole discretion on Inmate Welfare Fund spending in accordance with the Penal Code; however, the Committee meets regularly to review and approve the budget and expenditures in consultation with County Counsel.

PROCUREMENT

Not applicable

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Grace B. Parsons, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on February 16, 2024; Finance (Erika Rodarte, Administrative Analyst, 387-4919) on February 21, 2024; and County Finance and Administration (Robert Saldana, Deputy Executive Officer, 387-5423) on February 27, 2024.

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APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)

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

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

DATED: March 12, 2024



cc: File - Sheriff w/ attachment

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