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

**December 5, 2023** 

### **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. 1**, effective October 10, 2023, 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 \$31,500, increasing the total award from \$1,149,330 to \$1,180,830, with no change to the performance period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2024.
- 2. Authorize the Sheriff/Coroner/Public Administrator to execute and submit the supplemental grant award documents and any 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. 1 grant award to County Contract No. 23-312 (Federal Award No. G23LA0001A), and future amendments to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors within 30 days of execution.
- 4. Authorize the Auditor-Controller/Treasurer/Tax Collector to post adjustments to the Sheriff/Coroner/Public Administrator's 2023-24 budget, as detailed in the Financial Impact section (Four votes required).

(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.

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 additional Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). The increase to the grant award in the amount of \$31,500 will fund the Emerging Threat (ET) initiative for overdose response and death investigations.

The Sheriff/Coroner/Public Administrator (Department) requests the Auditor-Controller/Treasurer/Tax Collector to post the following adjustments to the 2023-2024 budget:

Fund Center	Commitment	Description	Action	Amount
	Item			
4438001000	51001035	Overtime	Increase	\$22,000

Fund Center	Commitment	Description	Action	Amount
	Item			
4438001000	52002135	Special Department Expenses	Increase	\$9,500
4438001000	40509094	Federal-Grants	Increase	\$31,500

## **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 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 most of available resources.

Since 1997, the 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 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 Bernardino and Riverside counties to target major 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 award amount for every HIDTA to address the Nation's drug overdose crisis.

On April 25, 2023 (Item No. 63), the Board of Supervisors (Board) approved Contract No. 23-312 for a grant award in the amount of \$1,149,330 from the ONDCP for the period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2024.

On October 18, 2023, the Department was notified of the supplemental award 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 of \$31,500 to date.

Approval of Recommendation No. 2 will authorize the Sheriff/Coroner/Public Administrator to sign the grant award documents 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 November 6, 2023; Auditor-Controller/Treasurer/Tax Collector (Vanessa Doyle, Deputy Chief Controller, 382-7022) on November 3, 2023; Finance (Erika Rodarte, Administrative Analyst, 387-4919) on November 15, 2023; and County Finance and Administration (Robert Saldana, Deputy Executive Officer, 387-5423) on November 16, 2023.

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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

DATED: December 5, 2023

OF SUPERIOR OF SUP

cc: Sheriff - Welty w/ agrees for sign

Contractor c/o Sheriff w/ agree

File w/ agree

JLL 12/11/2023