

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

March 1, 2022

FROM

SHANNON D. DICUS, Sheriff/Coroner/Public Administrator

SUBJECT

Letter of Agreement with the United States Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration for Participation in the 2022 Domestic Cannabis Eradication/Suppression Program

RECOMMENDATION(S)

Approve Letter of **Agreement No. 22-165** (Federal Agreement No. 2022-37) and related documents with the United States Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration, in the amount of \$300,000, for the period of October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022 for participation in the 2022 Domestic Cannabis Eradication/Suppression Program.
(Presenter: John Ades, Deputy Chief, 387-3760)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

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 Sheriff/Coroner/Public Administrator (Department) has received funding from the United States Department of Justice (DOJ), Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Domestic Cannabis Eradication/Suppression Program (Program) since 1999. This revenue was not included in the Department's 2021-22 budget, therefore, related increases in appropriation and revenue will be included in a future countywide quarterly budget report presented to the Board of Supervisors (Board) for approval, if necessary. No matching funds are required.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The U.S. DOJ, DEA, provides funding for the Program each year to defray the County's costs relating to eradication and suppression of illicit marijuana. This Program funds activities related to the suppression of illicit marijuana, that include: gathering and reporting intelligence data related to the illicit cultivation, possession and distribution of cannabis; investigation and reporting of instances involving the trafficking of controlled substances; and making arrests and referring cases for prosecution.

On January 19, 2022, the Department received Letter of Agreement Number 2022-37 (LOA) from the DEA providing notification of available funding in the amount of \$300,000 to reimburse expenses related to the Department's participation in the 2022 Domestic Cannabis Eradication/Suppression Program. The Agreement is being submitted for Board approval at the first available meeting date after completion of the fiscal and legal review process. The

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proposed Agreement would provide funding to be used for overtime, travel, training, aviation fuel, and supplies to support the Department's Marijuana Suppression Program.

The US DOJ requires the County to send the signed LOA to the DEA for execution. The LOA is for the period of October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022. The Department can submit claims for reimbursement retroactively to October 1, 2021.

PROCUREMENT

Not applicable.

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Richard D. Luczak, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on January 28, 2022; (Yael Verduzco, Administrative Analyst, 387-5285) on February 14, 2022; and County Finance and Administration (Robert Saldana, Deputy Executive Officer, 387-5423) on February 14, 2022.

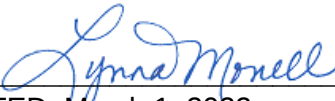
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APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)

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

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

BY 
DATED: March 1, 2022



cc: Sheriff's- Welty w/agree for sign
Contractor- C/O Sheriff's w/agree
File- w/agree
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