

# **COUNTY OF SAN MATEO**

Inter-Departmental Correspondence Sheriff's Office



Date: December 7, 2012

**Board Meeting Date:** January 8, 2013

Special Notice / Hearing: None Vote Required: Majority

**To:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Greg Munks, Sheriff

Subject: 2012 Anti-Drug Abuse Enforcement Team Program Award

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

A. Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Sheriff to apply for and accept grant funds in the amount of \$205,208 from the FY 2012 Anti-Drug Abuse (ADA) Enforcement Team Program for the term of October 1, 2012 through September 30,2013; and

B. Approve a "Resolution of Support" as part of the application and acceptance requirements of the 2012 Anti-Drug Abuse Enforcement Team Program Grant.

# **BACKGROUND:**

The San Mateo County Narcotics Task Force actively participates in local, state and federal narcotic related investigations in the County. This collaborative effort in combating illegal drug manufacturing and trafficking has resulted in significant drug seizures including cocaine, heroin, marijuana and methamphetamine. In recent years the use and sales of methamphetamine in San Mateo County has remained static. It is believed that this statistic is the positive result of the enforcement efforts of the San Mateo County Narcotics Task Force made possible by the funding provided by the Anti-Drug Abuse Justice Assistance Grants.

# **DISCUSSION:**

The Board of State and Community Corrections will administer approximately \$13.5 million in Federal funds for FY 2012-13 and has allocated \$205,208 to San Mateo County.

It is proposed that the funding provided by the Anti-Drug Abuse Enforcement Team Program be utilized exclusively in support of the narcotics enforcement objectives/activities for supplemental overtime costs for 24 sworn personnel and the project audit. No other expenditures will be covered by the grant award.

The activities and operations associated with narcotic enforcement cannot be contained to an eight or ten hour standard shift schedule. Narcotic investigation is a specialized

field within law enforcement. The day to day responsibilities associated with the assignment frequently involve working long hours, including nights and weekends. Many of the activities associated with narcotic enforcement involve operating around the schedule of undercover operatives, confidential informants and/or narcotic traffickers who frequently conduct their illicit business during the days and hours they feel law enforcement are off duty. Drug traffickers often take extraordinary measures to either identify law enforcement who may be observing their activities or to avoid detection by law enforcement all of which supports the need for overtime by narcotic investigators.

Additionally, many of the missions associated with the SMCNTF, including but not limited to: the execution of search warrants, probation searches, and parole searches, are conducted in the early morning or late evening hours with the specific intent of surprising the intended targets for officer safety purposes and/or to reduce the opportunity of having evidence destroyed.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the Resolution as to form.

Approval of this item contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Healthy Community by working collaboratively with other law enforcement agencies to enhance the safety our community.

# PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

Measures	FY 2011-12 Actual	FY 2012-13 Projected
Number of investigations	181	190
Number of arrests	144	150

# **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The amount of the grant award is \$205,208 and requires no matching funds. The funding has been included in the Sheriff's Office FY 2012-13 Adopted Budget.