

COUNTY OF SAN MATEO

Inter-Departmental Correspondence Agriculture / Weights & Measures



Date: November 20, 2013

Board Meeting Date: January 7, 2014

Special Notice / Hearing: None Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Greg Munks, Sheriff

Subject: FY 2013-14 Anti-Drug Abuse Justice Assistance Grant Award

RECOMMENDATION:

A. Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Sheriff to apply for and accept grant funds from the FY 2013-14 Anti-Drug Abuse Enforcement Team Program, in the amount of \$197,960 for the term of October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014; and

B. Approve a "Resolution of Support" as part of the application and acceptance requirements of the 2013 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 million in federal funds for FY 2013-14 and has allocated \$197,960 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 Resolutions as to form.

Approval of these Resolutions contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Collaborative Community by working with other law enforcement agencies in cooperation to enhance the safety our community.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

Measure	FY 2012-13 Actual	FY 2013-14 Projected
Number of investigations	168	175
Number of arrests	119	125

FISCAL IMPACT:

The amount of the grant award is \$197,960 and requires no matching funds The funding has been included in the Sheriff's Office FY 2013-14 Adopted Budget.