

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT: SHERIFF - HIDTA

BOARD AGENDA # *B-11

Urgent Routine

AGENDA DATE April 10, 2001

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO
(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

SUBJECT:

APPROVAL TO REQUEST SUPPLEMENTAL GRANT FUNDS FROM THE OFFICE OF NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL POLICY (ONDCP) FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2001 FOR THE HIGH INTENSITY DRUG TRAFFICKING AREA (HIDTA) BUDGET-SHERIFF

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

AUTHORIZE THE SHERIFF TO REQUEST SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS OF \$1,013,000 FROM ONDCP FOR A TOTAL OF \$2,500,000 FOR THE CENTRAL VALLEY CALIFORNIA HIDTA FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2001.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The requested supplemental funds of \$1,013,000 will give a total of \$2,500,000 for the year. These revenues will totally offset the costs for the year or be carried forward to the next year. The grant funds are dedicated to HIDTA purposes and must follow HIDTA financial guidelines issued by ONDCP. There are no matching requirements.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2001-252

On motion of Supervisor Blom, Seconded by Supervisor Caruso
and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: Mayfield, Blom, Simon, Caruso, and Chair Paul

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1) Approved as recommended

2) Denied

3) Approved as amended

Motion:

ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

By: Christine Ferraro Deputy

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DISCUSSION: A recent Central Valley Methamphetamine Summit, which was co-sponsored by US Representatives Cal Dooley and Gary Condit and by US Senators Barbara Boxer and Diane Feinstein, was attended by federal, state and local high-level law enforcement agencies, as well as many social service and agriculture agencies. The attendance at this summit indicates the war on Methamphetamine is a tremendous concern to everyone. The HIDTA is helping to fight this war and recent statistics prove we are making an impact.

HIDTA has been in existence since July 1999. Most of 1999 was spent in organizing and planning but it has had excellent results. For the year 2000 the following statistics have been revised to: a total of 90 labs (87 of these were super-labs which can produce from 20 to 200 pounds of high purity Methamphetamine per cooking cycle) and 29 dumpsites were located. A total of 336 arrests for drugs or related cases. There were 36 drug trafficking operations dismantled. Drug seizures netted 436 pounds of Methamphetamine, 50 pounds of heroin, 100 pounds of cocaine, 671 pounds of marijuana, 13401 marijuana plants, and other controlled substances. There have been 50 drug-endangered children assisted.

In the continuing fight against Methamphetamine, the HIDTA Executive Committee has reviewed and approved new initiatives including Drug Endangered Children Task Force (DEC), Precursor/Vendor Program, and Financial Investigative Task Force Initiative to be funded with the supplemental funds. Additionally, the Executive Committee has approved the purchased of equipment.

Clandestine Methamphetamine manufacturing and distribution has created a public health and safety crisis for residents of California's Central Valley. To-date, there has been no collaborative efforts to address drug-endangered children in the nine County HIDTA regions. This proposed initiative would form DEC teams consisting of Social Service workers, an Assistant District Attorney and District Attorney Investigators who will work with existing initiatives to establish a protocol to deal with drug-endangered children.

The stated goals of the HIDTA'S mission include the "reduction of the distribution of precursor chemicals." This new initiative designed as an adjunct to the Sacramento Area Intelligence Narcotic Task Force and the San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Merced Task Force purpose would

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be to educate and network with retailers of precursor chemicals. This additional funding will provide the Sacramento and Modesto based initiatives an additional investigator who will be assigned full time to the HIDTA task force as a liaison to local vendors.

The Financial Investigative Task Force Initiative's mission is to enhance the Sacramento Area Intelligence/Narcotic Task Force goal of identifying and targeting money-laundering operations undertaken by drug trafficking organizations. The money laundering initiative will be collocated with the Sacramento Area Intelligence Narcotic Task Force (SAINT) and coordinated tactical and strategic intelligence with the HIDTA's Investigative Support Center. A senior IRS Special Agent working with the SAINT initiative commander will oversee the program.

**POLICY
ISSUES:**

A safe community is one of this Board's policies. Approval of these funds will support this policy. In addition, the DEC program will address the younger members of our community. The HIDTA policy of collocated federal, state and local agencies working together supports the Board's goal of multi-jurisdictional co-operation.

**STAFFING
IMPACT**

This supplemental amount may add a detective, and will be brought to the Board when funds are accepted.