

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

DEPT: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE

BOARD AGENDA # *B-4

Urgent Routine

AGENDA DATE July 10, 2001

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO
(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

SUBJECT:

APPROVAL TO SUBMIT 2001 LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT BLOCK
GRANT APPLICATION TO BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE TO
ENHANCE CRIMINAL JUSTICE

STAFF
RECOMMEN-
DATIONS:

1. AUTHORIZE THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE TO SUBMIT A BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION TO BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE FOR 2001 LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT FUNDING TO ENHANCE CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROCESSES.
2. AUTHORIZE THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO REVIEW THE GRANT APPLICATION WITH THE LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ADVISORY GROUP AND COMPLETE THE REQUIRED PUBLIC HEARING ANNOUNCEMENTS

FISCAL
IMPACT:

For fiscal year 2001, Congress has appropriated \$523 million for the continuation of the Local Law Enforcement Block Grants (LLEBG) Program to be administered by the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), U.S. Department of Justice. The purpose of the LLEBG program is to make funds available to units of local government to underwrite projects to reduce crime and improve public safety. The block grant funding will provide an additional \$355,586 in Federal funding. A County match is required in the amount of \$39,510. Funding for this match will be recommended in the County Match budget as part of the Final Budget process.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2001-503

On motion of Supervisor Caruso, Seconded by Supervisor Blom
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

File No.

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DISCUSSION: For the sixth consecutive year, funding under the Local Law Enforcement Block Grants Program, established within the Bureau of Justice Assistance under the Omnibus Fiscal Year 1996 Appropriations Action, will be available for use in Stanislaus County. Funding may be used for seven purpose areas which address a wide variety of activities from increasing personnel and equipment resources for law enforcement, to developing and supporting programs to enhance effective criminal justice processes. The program is intended to provide the County with the opportunity to reduce crime and improve public safety through the implementation of diverse strategies ranging from enhancing the adjudication of adult and juvenile violent offenders and supporting the hiring of additional law enforcement officers, to establishing crime prevention programs that foster cooperation between community residents and law enforcement personnel.

Funding in the amount of \$355,586 is available for use in Stanislaus County. A County match of \$39,510 is also required. The match must be in the form of cash and must be no less than 10 percent of total program costs. Funding the match obligation will be recommended as part of the final budget request. The District Attorney, Chief Probation Officer and Sheriff are putting together proposed options for use of this funding.

If the Board of Supervisors concur, an application will be finalized with the Bureau of Justice Assistance for this funding and Board approval to adjust appropriations and authorize the use of this funding will be requested.

POLICY ISSUE: Board approval to apply for this entitlement funding is necessary prior to the obligation of program funds. Utilization of this funding will enhance criminal justice processes in our community; consistent with the Board's stated priority of ensuring a safe, healthy community.

**STAFFING
IMPACT:** While there are no recommendations to modify the Salary and Position Allocation Resolution at this time, depending upon the department requests a recommendation to add staff may be made upon acceptance of the Federal Grant award.