

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

DEPT: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE  
Urgent \_\_\_\_\_ Routine X

BOARD AGENDA # \*B-1  
AGENDA DATE October 9, 2001

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES not NO \_\_\_\_\_  
(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO X

SUBJECT: APPROVAL TO ACCEPT SIXTH YEAR FUNDING FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE, ESTABLISH AN ESTIMATED REVENUE AND APPROPRIATIONS INTEREST-BEARING ACCOUNT; ACCEPT RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ADVISORY GROUP FOR USE OF THE FUNDS; AND AMEND THE SALARY AND POSITION ALLOCATION RESOLUTION.

STAFF  
RECOMMEN-  
DATIONS:

1. AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF \$355,586 SIXTH YEAR FUNDING FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE, FOR THE 2001 LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM.
2. DIRECT THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO ESTABLISH A NEW INTEREST BEARING BUDGET UNIT IN THE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND AND ESTIMATED REVENUE AND APPROPRIATIONS ACCOUNTS CONSISTENT WITH THE ATTACHED FINANCIAL BUDGET JOURNAL.
3. APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ADVISORY GROUP FOR USE OF THE 2001 LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS.
4. AUTHORIZE DISBURSEMENT OF ANY INTEREST EARNED ON THE SPECIAL REVENUE BUDGET UNIT PROPORTIONATELY TO THE RELEVANT DEPARTMENTS AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE GRANT. (Recommendations Continued)

FISCAL  
IMPACT:

The 2001 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG) will provide an additional \$355,586 in Federal funding, requiring a County match amount of \$39,510. This will impact the General Fund in the amount of \$39,510, which has been appropriated in the County Match Budget Unit for Fiscal Year 2001-2002. Appropriations will be increased in the Sheriff's and Probation budgets to reflect six months of funding for these recommended positions. The Sheriff and District Attorney's budgets will be increased for one-time safety equipment, and Fleet Services will be increased for the purchase of District Attorney Investigator vehicles. The Sheriff's and Probation budgets will be adjusted in Fiscal Year 2002-2003 to reflect the second year of grant funding for these positions.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2001-779

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) X 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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STAFF RECOMMEN-  
DATIONS (Continued)

5. AMEND THE SALARY AND POSITION ALLOCATION RESOLUTION TO ADD TWO DEPUTY SHERIFF-CORONER POSITIONS AND TO TRANSFER ONE CURRENTLY AUTHORIZED DEPUTY PROBATION OFFICER II POSITION CONSISTENT WITH THE STAFFING IMPACTS SECTION OF THIS ITEM.

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.

On July 10, 2001, your Board approved the submission of an application to the Bureau of Justice Assistance for the 2001 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant. The total amount of funding is \$355,586 for this sixth year period. On August 10, 2001, the Chief Executive Office received notice from the Bureau of Justice Assistance that its application had been approved. A requirement of the grant program is that at least one public hearing on the proposed use of the LLEBG funds be held. On October 1, 2001, the Stanislaus County Local Law Enforcement Advisory Group held a public hearing to hear proposals by County criminal justice departments requesting a share of grant funds. The proposals included requests by the Sheriff's Department, the Probation Department and the District Attorney's office as follows:

Sheriff's Department

The Sheriff's Department requested funding for one-half of a Deputy Sheriff's salary to provide a School Resource Officer on site at the Tuolumne Elementary School. The other half of this Deputy is funded through a Healthy Start grant secured by the Tuolumne schools. In addition, the Sheriff requested funding for one Deputy Sheriff position to provide community policing services for the volatile South Modesto area generally surrounding the Shackelford School area. The grant and match obligation will fund these positions for an eighteen-month period. The Sheriff's budget will be adjusted this fiscal year to reflect six of the eighteen months of funding. In addition, \$40,000 in funding was requested and is being recommended for necessary safety equipment for the Sheriff's dive team.

Probation Department

The Probation Department received grant funding for one Deputy Probation Officer for the Domestic Violence Program from the 1999 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Program. The two-year funding will be exhausted as of December 31, of this year and additional appropriations are needed to continue funding this position. Consequently, the Probation Department requested funding to continue the services of one Deputy Probation Officer for

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DISCUSSION  
(Continued):

the Domestic Violence Program. The position is currently allocated to a separate budget unit tied to the 1999 Block Grant funding. Due to the fact this funding will be exhausted, it is recommended that the position (#9348) be transferred to the Probation Department Casework budget, and appropriations be established to fund the position in that budget.

District Attorney's Office

The District Attorney requested funding for at least three Investigator vehicles (\$74,313.00), and safety equipment (\$21,419.96) for investigators. The current ratio of safety equipped vehicles to investigators is 21:8, which limits the work that investigators must do in the field. The addition of vehicles (without cages) will decrease this ratio, and will make the investigators more efficient in their work. If Fleet Services is able to obtain prices for lease return vehicles, or utilize some other cost efficient manner to purchase vehicles, more than three vehicles may be acquired. The additional vehicles and the safety equipment will allow the investigators to safely perform their duties as peace officers.

The Local Law Enforcement Advisory Group took action following the public hearing to approve disbursement and recommend distribution of the 2001 LLEBG funds to the Board of Supervisors as follows:

	Grant Amount:	\$355,586	
	County Match	<u>\$39,510</u>	
	Total	\$395,096	
	Grant	Match	Total
Sheriff's Department	\$182,245.64	\$ 20,268.63	\$202,514.27
Probation Department	\$ 87,168.82	\$ 9,679.95	\$ 96,848.77
District Attorney	\$ 86,171.54	\$ 9,561.42	<u>\$ 95,732.96</u>
			<b>\$395,096.00</b>

The Chief Executive Office believes that this program continues to be successful and requests the Board to approve the Staff Recommendations and accept the sixth year funding from the U. S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance.

POLICY ISSUES:

Acceptance and utilization will enhance criminal justice processes in our community, consistent with the Board's priorities of ensuring a safe, healthy community and delivering excellent community services.

STAFFING  
IMPACTS:

Amend the Salary and Position Allocation Resolution as follows:

1. Sheriffs Department – Operations: Add 2 Deputy Sheriff Coroner positions (Note: This grant will fund only half of one of the Deputy Sheriff Coroner positions.)
2. Probation Department – Casework Services: Effective January 1, 2002 transfer one Deputy Probation Officer II position (#9348) from the Chief Executive Office 1999 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant budget unit to Probation Casework Services.

