

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS

ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT: Sheriff's Department

BOARD AGENDA # \*B-8

Urgent

Routine

AGENDA DATE November 4, 2008

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES  NO   
(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES  NO

SUBJECT:

Approval to Accept U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Technology Program Funding - Sheriff

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Authorize the Sheriff- Coroner to accept a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Technology Program.
2. Authorize the Sheriff-Coroner and Chief Executive Officer to sign and accept the funding.
3. Direct the Auditor-Controller to increase appropriations and estimated revenue in the amount up to \$350,738, according to the budget journal.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Additional grant revenue of up to \$350,738 will be received from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Technology Program. The grant will be administered by Stanislaus Regional 911. This funding will be used to improve the existing infrastructure to our 800 MHZ radio system which is primarily used by special enforcement teams, street crimes units and drug enforcement units to target problematic areas that are high in criminal activity as identified by community policing efforts. There are no county match requirements for receiving these funds.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2008-757

On motion of Supervisor Grover, Seconded by Supervisor Monteith  
and approved by the following vote,  
Ayes: Supervisors: O'Brien, Grover, Monteith, and Vice Chairman DeMartini  
Noes: Supervisors: None  
Excused or Absent: Supervisors: Mayfield  
Abstaining: Supervisor: None

- 1)  Approved as recommended
- 2)  Denied
- 3)  Approved as amended
- 4)  Other:

MOTION:

*Christine Ferraro*

ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No.

**DISCUSSION:**

The Stanislaus County Sheriff's Department, upon the approval of this agenda item, will be eligible to receive grant funding of up to \$350,738 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Technology Program. The grant will be administered by Stanislaus Regional 911. The funding will be used to improve existing public safety radio infrastructure. Stanislaus County and its public safety and associated agencies are committed to the development of a radio network that provides the best level of service in support of our citizens and their communities. The overall regional communications between public safety and associated agencies in Stanislaus County are dangerously inadequate. Improvements to operability and interoperability have been occurring, but more work is needed. Interoperable coverage throughout the county continues to be sporadic at best, making it difficult to coordinate crime suppression activities with adjoining jurisdictions and to effectively respond to critical incidents.

Aging equipment needs to be replaced to improve coverage for interoperability; more sites need to be developed and/or upgraded. There have been several recent multi-agency incidents where local public safety responders in Stanislaus County have needed interoperable communications and the current system was inadequate. In 2001, FEMA stated that one of the most serious threats to face the United States included a large earthquake hitting the San Francisco Bay Area. In the event of a Bay Area earthquake or other disasters, Stanislaus County would be a direct relocation point for hundreds to thousands of people in a time of crisis. A functional and robust public safety radio communications system would be critical. This funding will enhance the existing interoperability channel, expand radio coverage throughout the county, replace aging equipment, continue progress towards system wide Project 25 compliance and improve the day to day communications and the ability to respond to critical incidents locally and throughout the region.

This funding will also help improve the existing infrastructure to our 800 MHZ system, which is primarily used by special enforcement teams, street crimes units and drug enforcement units to target problematic areas that are high in criminal activity as identified by community policing efforts.

The COPS Technology Grant funding is crucial for Stanislaus County and its public safety and associated agencies to be able to provide the best level of service by allowing the partnerships that have been established between agencies to have a operable and interoperable communications system to effectively serve the various communities within the county and our partner agencies in the region.

This is a cost reimbursement grant and the first time this funding has been received. While the Sheriff's Department is the recipient of the grant, the funds will be administered by SR911. Because the grant award was effective December 31, 2007 and is for Calendar Year 2008 the Sheriff's Department will be able to submit expenditure reports as the funds are expended through December 31, 2008. SR911 will complete the reports for review by the Sheriff's Department. Once the funds are received from COPS the Sheriff's Department will transfer the funds to SR911 to reimburse them for the expenditures made in fulfilling the scope of the grant.

**POLICY ISSUES:**

Approval of this item supports the Board's priorities of *A safe community* and *Effective partnerships* by increasing the improving public safety infrastructure.

**STAFFING IMPACTS:**

There is no staffing impact associated with this item. Existing staff will provide the support needed to administer the grant funds.

County of Stanislaus: Auditor-Controller

Legal Budget Journal

Database  
Set of Books


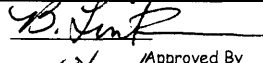
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County of Stanislaus

Balance Type	Budget
Category	* List - Text Budget - Upload
Source	* List - Text SO DRW
Currency	* List - Text USD
Budget Name	List - Text LEGAL BUDGET
Batch Name	Text
Journal Name	Text
Journal Description	Text COPS Grant 2008
Organization	List - Text Stanislaus Budget Org

Upl	Fund	Org	Acc't	GL Proj	Loc	Misc	Other	Debit		Credit		Period	Line Description
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	0100	0028210	73010	0000000	000000	000000	000000	350,738.00				Nov-08	Increase Contribution to another Agency
	0100	0028210	28800	0000000	000000	000000	000000		350,738.00			Nov-08	Increase Federal-Other

Totals: 350,738.00 350,738.00

Explanation: Adjust appropriations for the COPS 2008 Technology Program

Requesting Department	CEO	Data Entry		Auditors Office Only
Dan Wirtz				
Signature	Signature	Keyed by	Prepared By	Approved By
10/28/2008	10/30/08			10/30/08
Date	Date	Date	Date	Date



**U.S. Department of Justice**

*Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS)*

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*Office of the Director  
1100 Vermont Ave., NW  
Washington, DC 20530*

September 24, 2008

Sheriff Adam Christianson  
Stanislaus County Sheriff's Department  
250 East Hackett Road  
Modesto, CA 95358

Re: Technology Program Grant #2008CKWX0477  
ORI#: CA05000

Dear Sheriff Christianson:

Congratulations! On behalf of the Department of Justice, I am pleased to inform you that the COPS Office has approved your agency's request for funding under the COPS Technology Program. Enclosed in this packet is your grant award. **The award document must be signed and returned to the COPS Office within 90 days to officially accept your grant.** On the reverse side of the grant award is a list of conditions that apply to your grant. You should read and familiarize yourself with these conditions. This package also contains other important information to assist with the implementation of your grant, including your Grant Owner's Manual.

The official start date of your grant is December 26, 2007. Therefore, you can be reimbursed for approved expenditures after this date. Please carefully review your financial clearance memorandum to determine your approved budget, as some of your requested items may not have been approved by the COPS Office during the budget review process, and grant funds may only be used for approved items. Please be aware that any vendor or contractor who participated in drafting your grant application may not receive federal funding for any procurement under this award.

Within a few weeks, you will receive a PAPRS package from the Office of the Comptroller, Office of Justice Programs. This important package will contain forms and instructions necessary to begin drawing down funds for your grant.

Once again, congratulations on your COPS Technology award. If you have any questions about your grant award, please do not hesitate to call your Grant Program Specialist through the COPS Office Response Center at 1.800.421.6770.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Carl R. Peed".

Carl R. Peed  
Director



**U. S. Department of Justice**  
*Community Oriented Policing Services*

**Grants Administration Division (GAD)**  
**Law Enforcement Technology**

1100 Vermont Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20530

**Memorandum**

**To:** Sheriff Adam Christianson  
Stanislaus County Sheriff's Department

**From:** Andrew A. Dorr, Assistant Director for Grants Administration  
Lakita Reid, Grant Program Specialist  
Budget Prepared By: Winston Wong, Grant Program Specialist

**Re:** Law Enforcement Technology Financial Clearance Memo  
A financial analysis of budgeted costs has been completed. Costs under this award appear reasonable, allowable, and consistent with existing guidelines. Exceptions / Adjustments are noted below.

**OJP Vendor #: 946000540**

**ORI #: CA05000**

**Grant #: 2008CKWX0477**

<u>Budget Category</u>	<u>Proposed Budget</u>	<u>Approved Budget</u>	<u>Adjustments</u>	<u>Disallowed/Adjusted - Reasons/Comments</u>
Consultants/Contractors	\$52,000.00	\$52,000.00	\$0.00	
Equipment	\$305,650.00	\$298,738.00	\$6,912.00	Exceeds award amount
Direct Costs:	\$357,650.00	\$350,738.00	\$6,912.00	
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$357,650.00</b>	<b>\$350,738.00</b>	<b>\$6,912.00</b>	
<b>Grand Total:</b>	<b>Federal Share:</b>	<b>\$ 350,738.00</b>		
	<b>Applicant Share:</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>		

**Cleared Date:** 8/25/2008

**Overall Comments:**

All costs listed in this budget were programmatically approved based on the final budget detail worksheet submitted by your agency to the COPS Office. Maintenance agreements (if applicable) must be purchased within the three year grant period. Prior to the obligation, expenditure or drawdown of grant funds for non-competitive contracts in excess of \$100,000, grantee must submit a sole source justification to the COPS Office for review and approval. Prior to the obligation, expenditure, or drawdown of grant funds for consultant fees in excess of \$550 per day when the consultant is hired through a noncompetitive bidding process, approval must be obtained from the COPS Office. If the vendor number on this form differs from the EIN number included in your application, then for administrative purposes only, we are assigning a different vendor number to your agency. The reason for this administrative change is that your original EIN number has been assigned to another agency. If this applies to your agency, please use the new vendor number on all financial documents related to this grant award. The vendor number should not be used for IRS purposes and only applies to this grant. The total project cost was reduced by \$6,912 since the requested amount exceeded the grant award.



**U. S. Department of Justice  
Community Oriented Policing Services  
Grants Administration Division (GAD)  
Law Enforcement Technology**

**Treasury Account Symbol (TAS) 15X0406**

Grant #: 2008CKWX0477

ORI #: CA05000

Applicant Organization's Legal Name: Stanislaus County Sheriff's Department

OJP Vendor #: 946000540

**Law Enforcement Executive:** Sheriff Adam Christianson

*Address:* 250 East Hackett Road

*City, State, Zip Code:* Modesto, CA 95358

*Telephone:* (209) 525-7216

*Fax:* (209) 525-7106

**Government Executive:** Chief Executive Officer Rick Robinson

*Address:* 1010 10th Street (6th floor Suite 6800)

*City, State, Zip Code:* Modesto, CA 95354

*Telephone:* (209) 525-6333

*Fax:* (209) 544-6266

Award Start Date: 12/26/2007

Award End Date: 12/25/2010

Award Amount: \$ 350,738.00

**AUG 28 2008**

Carl R. Peed, Director

Date

Signature of Law Enforcement Official with the Authority to Accept this Grant Award

Adam Christianson, Sheriff

Typed Name and Title of Law Enforcement Official

6/30/08

Date

Signature of Government Official with the Authority to Accept this Grant Award

Rick Robinson, Chief Executive Officer

Typed Name and Title of Government Official

11/4/08

Date

False statements or claims made in connection with COPS grants may result in fines, imprisonment, debarment from participating in federal grants or contracts, and/or any remedy available by law to the Federal Government. Award ID: 86201