

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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**FROM:** Stanley Sniff, Sheriff-Coroner-PA

**SUBMITTAL DATE:**  
07/1/09

**SUBJECT:** Acceptance of a Grant Award from the California Emergency Management Agency to Support the County's Gang Task Force

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** Move that the Board of Supervisors:

1. Acknowledge acceptance of an Anti-Gang Initiative Grant Award from the California Emergency Management Agency (CalEMA) in the amount of \$ 30,000 to support the operations of the Riverside County Gang Task Force, fostering more aggressive efforts in creating safe and secure neighborhoods free of violent crime and gang activity.
2. Approve and direct the Auditor Controller to make the budget adjustments on the attached Schedule A.

**BACKGROUND:** (Continue on Page 2)  
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Colleen Walker

*Colleen Walker, Assistant Sheriff*  
For Stanley L. Sniff, Jr., Sheriff-Coroner-PA

<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$30,000	In Current Year Budget:	No
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	Yes
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	FY 2009-10

<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS:</b> 100% Federal Funds	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:**

**APPROVE**

BY: *Robert Tremaine*  
Robert Tremaine

**County Executive Office Signature**

Dept' Recomm.:  Consent  Policy

Per Exec. Ofc.:  Consent  Policy

Prev. Agn. Ref.: 03/18/08 3.31

District: ALL

Agenda Number:

**3.112**

FISCAL PROCEDURES APPROVED  
ROBERT E. BYRD, AUDITOR-CONTROLLER  
BY: *Samuel Wong* 8/24/09  
SAMUEL WONG

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL  
BY: *Neal R. Kipnis*  
NEAL R. KIPNIS DATE

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department, Probation Department and District Attorney's Office have joined forces with police agencies throughout Riverside County to combat the increase in gang activities occurring throughout the county. This strategy has resulted in the formation of the Riverside County Gang Task Force. The task force is comprised of eight regional task force teams made up of members from various Federal, State, County and local agencies.

Using the model of prevention, intervention and suppression, gang task force members use all available resources and strategies to help eliminate gang violence. In an effort to maximize the effect of the multiplying multi-agency task force, the task force recently implemented a new strategy called "Saturation Days." Once a month, 85 peace officers, from the 8 regions, join forces in a chosen city or community within the county, and saturate the area with law enforcement.

On December 6, 2005 (agenda item 3.25), the Riverside County Board of Supervisors approved the establishment of the task force and funding to staff and equip the task force. Other participating agencies have provided staffing, equipment and work sites to house these teams. On September 18, 2007 (agenda item 3.51), the Board acknowledged acceptance of the FY 2006/07 Anti-Gang Initiative Grant and authorized the purchase of 21 800 MHz handie-talkie radios for the Task Force. On March 18, 2008 (agenda item 3.31), the Board acknowledged acceptance of the FY 2007/08 Anti-Gang Initiative Grant and authorized the installation and maintenance of 4 county network lines at 4 non-county partner facilities by the Riverside County Information Technology Department to provide full access to law enforcement databases.

The California Emergency Management Agency (CalEMA), formerly the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (OES), has again been awarded Anti-Gang Initiative federal funding to implement this program on behalf of the United States Attorneys in the Central District of California.

Grant funds must supplement, not supplant local funds; therefore, the grant cannot be used for existing positions. As this funding is not guaranteed in future years, it was not feasible to add positions.

Supervising District Attorney Investigator Joe DelGiudice developed this year's "Saturation Day" concept for the County-wide Gang Task Force, in which every police agency in the County participates. He presented the concept to the U.S. Attorney's Office, and the concept was accepted for award. As the County-wide Gang Task Force is directed by a Sheriff's Department Captain, and the Sheriff's Department has a specialized grant unit, the Sheriff's Department is Riverside County's Implementing Agency for the grant.

CalEMA funding will enable the Task Force to purchase tasers in order to equip the officers with less-lethal force options during the Saturation Day events. Grant funds will support the project from October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009.

County Counsel has reviewed the award documents and approved them as to form.

**Schedule A**

**SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**

**Increase Appropriations:**

10000-2500300000-527460	Firearm Equipment & Supplies	\$30,000
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**Increase Estimated Revenues:**

10000-2500300000-767220	Fed-Other Operating Grants	\$30,000
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