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TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBMITTED BY: Margaret Mims, Sheriff-Coroner-Public Administrator

SUBJECT: Retroactive Grant Application/Award/Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding (MOUs) for Central California Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

- 1. Retroactively authorize the Sheriff's previous submittal of an online grant application on behalf of the County, and ratify Sheriff's execution of Grant Agreement Award Number 2016-MC-FX-K021 from the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP), for the Central California Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force Program, effective July 1, 2016 to September 30, 2019, in the amount of \$996,327;**
- 2. Approve and authorize the Sheriff, on behalf of the County, to execute retroactive Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) in the attached form with Central California ICAC task force participating agencies, effective from date of signature until the federal funding for the grant ends; and**
- 3. Authorize the Sheriff, or designee, to sign claims for reimbursement, activity reports, amend the grant extensions, and add participating law enforcement, investigative, and prosecutorial agencies to the ICAC task force.**

There is no increase in Net County Cost associated with the recommended actions. DOJ/OJP/OJJDP ICAC funding allows for the continuation of the Central California ICAC Task Force program, originally funded by DOJ in 2007. The first recommended action approves the Sheriff's execution of the three-year grant agreement, and the second recommended action will allow the Sheriff to execute MOUs, in the form of the MOU attached, with participating agencies until federal funding for the ICAC grant ends. This item is countywide.

ALTERNATIVE ACTION(S):

If your Board does not approve the recommended actions, it will result in cancellation of the grant, and de-obligation of the allocated remaining Federal funding.

RETROACTIVE AGREEMENT:

DOJ publishes an invitation to apply for funding annually for each proposed 12 month period of performance with a maximum allocation amount, and published the request for applications for Federal FY 2018-19 on July 31, 2018. To meet the grant application deadline of August 14, 2018, the Department submitted the online application via the electronic Grants Management System on August 8, 2018. The Sheriff's Office was notified on October 17, 2018 that the application was accepted for funding. The Sheriff's Office has executed the grant agreements associated with this ICAC program and the MOUs with the participating agencies since 2007. The recommended actions approve the current three-year agreement award and the revised MOU for use by

the Sheriff for agencies participating in the ICAC program.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no increase in Net County Cost associated with the recommended actions. The three year agreement totals \$996,327. Year one of the agreement in the amount of \$316,096 and year two of the agreement in the amount of \$345,367 were budgeted and expended in previous years. Sufficient appropriations and estimated revenues in the amount of \$334,864 for the third year of the agreement are included in the FY 2018-19 Adopted Budget for Sheriff's Org 31116309 and in the FY 2019-20 budget request for Sheriff's Org 3111.

DISCUSSION:

OJJDP created the ICAC Task Force Program, a national network of federal, state and local law enforcement agencies to enforce laws regarding ICAC under the Missing and Exploited Children's programs within the Department of Justice Appropriations Act. The Sheriff's Office is the recipient of a DOJ/OJP/OJJDP grant to enforce laws regarding ICAC, and has been using the funds to administer and operate the Central California ICAC Task Force (Task Force).

On December 4, 2007, the Board accepted the ICAC award for the performance period from September 1, 2007 to February 28, 2009 in the amount of \$265,000 and the addition of one Deputy Sheriff position. On July 1, 2009, the Board approved the transfer of a General Fund Community Service Officer (CSO) position into the ICAC program. All ICAC awards for annual grant periods from September 1, 2009 through September 30, 2019 have been executed by the Sheriff's Office. These grants beginning in 2007 have all been audited with no audit findings and the grants have been closed out.

It was recently determined that these awards require Board approval. The current three-year grant cycle approved by the Sheriff's Office is as follows:

Award #2016-MC-FX-K021 project period from 7/1/2016 to 9/30/2019:
Performance period from 7/1/16 to 6/30/17 = \$316,096
Performance period from 7/1/18 to 9/30/18 = \$345,367
Performance period from 10/1/18 to 9/30/19 = \$334,864
Total Award #2016-MC-FX-K021 = \$996,327

The first recommended action will ratify the Sheriff's execution of the current three-year grant funding cycle for the time period of July 1, 2016 through September 30, 2019.

The grant continues to fund one Deputy Sheriff and one CSO to investigate internet crimes perpetrated against children, to provide educational programs aimed at law enforcement officers, teachers, parents, and children, to serve as a forensic resource to law enforcement agencies, and to participate in nationally-coordinated investigations. This agreement will also fund travel costs associated with task force training, software programs, and miscellaneous office supplies. The Task Force is dedicated to locating, identifying, and arresting those who prey upon our children, and who sexually exploit our children through the use of technology that includes the crime of child pornography.

The Central California ICAC Task Force's service area is comprised of nine (9) counties within Central California, and presently provides training and support to sixty-one (61) cooperating affiliate agencies. Approval of the second recommended action will allow the Sheriff's Office to execute MOU's, in the attached form, with those agencies involved in the Central California ICAC Task Force. Approval of the third recommended action will allow the Sheriff's Office to extend the grant period to allow the department to expend the full allocation and to add any new law enforcement, investigative, or prosecutorial agencies who

desire to join the Central California ICAC Task Force.

Current participating agencies include the following:

1. Air Force Office of Special Investigations (AFOSI) Edwards EFB
2. Arroyo Grande Police Department
3. Atascadero Police Department
4. Avenal Police Department
5. Bakersfield Police Department
6. California Highway Patrol
7. California Poly University Police
8. Chowchilla Police Department
9. Clovis Police Department
10. Clovis Unified School District Police
11. Coalinga State Hospital Police Services
12. Corcoran Police Department
13. Department of Justice/Bureau of Forensic Services
14. Dinuba Police Department
15. Exeter Police Department
16. Farmersville Police Department
17. Firebaugh Police Department
18. Fowler Police Department
19. Fresno County District Attorney's Office
20. Fresno County Probation
21. Fresno Police Department
22. Grover Police Department
23. Gustine Police Department
24. Hanford Police Department
25. Kerman Police Department
26. Kern County District Attorney's Office
27. Kern County Sheriff
28. Kings County District Attorney's Office Investigators
29. Kingsburg Police Department
30. Lemoore Police Department
31. Lindsay Police Department
32. Los Banos Police Department
33. Madera Police Department
34. Madera Sheriff's Office
35. Mariposa County Sheriff's Office
36. Mendota Police Department
37. Merced County Sheriff's Office
38. Merced Police Department
39. Merced County District Attorney's Office
40. Naval Criminal Investigative Services - Lemoore
41. Parlier Police Department
42. Paso Robles Police Department
43. Pismo Beach Police Department
44. Porterville Police Department
45. Reedley Police Department
46. San Luis Obispo District Attorney
47. San Luis Obispo Police Department
48. San Luis Obispo Sheriff's Office
49. Sanger Police Department
50. Selma Police Department
51. State Adult Parole/Fresno
52. State Adult Parole/Visalia
53. State Adult Parole/Bakersfield
54. Tehachapi Police Department

- 55. Tulare County District Attorney's Office
- 56. Tulare County District Attorney's - Bureau Of Investigations
- 57. Tulare County Sheriff's Office
- 58. Tulare Police Department
- 59. U.S. Attorney's Office - Eastern District California
- 60. Visalia Police Department
- 61. Woodlake Police Department

REFERENCE MATERIAL:

BAI #32, July 21, 2009
BAI #24, December 4, 2007

ATTACHMENTS INCLUDED AND/OR ON FILE:

On file with Clerk - Grant Application/Agreement
MOUs with participating agencies

CAO ANALYST:

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