



# REPORT TO COUNCIL

## City of Sacramento

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Consent  
**December 5, 2006**

**Honorable Mayor and  
 Members of the City Council**

**Title: Grant: FY06/07 Gang Resistance Education and Training (GREAT) Program**

**Location/Council District:** Schools in Sacramento City Unified, Natomas Unified, and North Sacramento School Districts; All Council Districts.

**Recommendation:** Adopt a **Resolution:** 1) authorizing acceptance of \$146,899 in grant funding from the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice, and 2) increasing the Police Department's Grant Operating and Grant Revenue budgets in an amount of \$163,446.

**Contact:** James Maccoun, Lieutenant, 808-0866

**Presenters:** Not applicable

**Department:** Police

**Division:** Fiscal/Economic Development

**Organization No:** 2112

### **Description/Analysis**

**Issue:** Staff recommends adoption of the resolution to accept grant funding to continue and improve teaching of the Gang Resistance Education and Training (GREAT) curriculum in elementary and middle schools in the Sacramento City Unified School District, the Natomas Unified School District, and the North Sacramento School District.

**Policy Considerations:** Accepting this funding is consistent with past practices of using grant funding to increase law enforcement and community safety.

**Environmental Considerations:** The current project has been determined to be exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), under Section 15061(b)(3), which states that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment



**Rationale for Recommendation:** The GREAT program is a life-skills competency program designed to provide students with the skills they need to avoid gang pressure and youth violence. The Sacramento Police Department (SPD) has successfully managed the GREAT program and taught the GREAT curriculum since 1999. During the last (FY05/06) grant period, SPD implemented the middle school component of the GREAT program. During the FY06/07 grant period, SPD plans to increase the number of GREAT instructors from 11 to at least 21, expand instruction to include both elementary and middle school students, and partner with Kops & Kids to increase the quantity and improve the quality of the week-long summer camp GREAT program activities. These activities will increase the number of school-aged children who will graduate from the GREAT program in the next grant period by more than 200 percent.

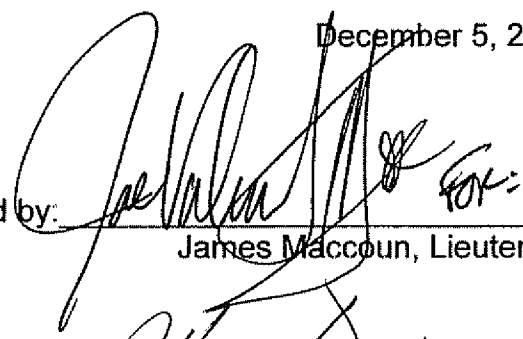
**Financial Considerations:** The total allocation of the FY06/07 GREAT grant funding is \$146,899 to assist with continuance of the GREAT program by increasing the number of instructors, expanding instruction to both elementary and middle schools, and partnering with Kops & Kids to present the GREAT curriculum during an improved week-long summer camp program for school children.

The FY06/07 GREAT grant requires a minimum 10% match. The City's match for this grant will be \$16,547, or 11.26% of the total project cost of \$163,446. The match will be paid from revenue received from school districts from E286 in Fund 255, which pays for the cost of five (5) School Resource Officers to work 60 hours each during the GREAT program summer camp. Total expenditures, including grant and local match, are as follows:

<b><u>Budget Category</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Personnel	\$ 71,463
Benefits	20,891
Travel	20,623
Supplies	18,308
Contractual	12,500
Other	19,661
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$163,446</b>

**Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD):** Purchase of supplies and equipment will be made in accordance with the City's Emerging Small Business Development program requirements whenever possible.

Respectfully Submitted by:




James Maccoun, Lieutenant

Approved by:



Albert Najera  
Chief of Police

Recommendation Approved:

*for*   
Ray Kerridge  
City Manager

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**ATTACHMENT 1****Background:**

The GREAT program is a life-skills competency program designed to provide students with the skills they need to avoid gang pressure and youth violence. GREAT's violence prevention curriculum helps students develop values and practice behaviors that will help them to avoid destructive activities. The goal of the GREAT program is to train law enforcement officers in a school-based curriculum in which the officers provide instruction to school-aged children in life-skill competencies, gang awareness, and anti-violence techniques.

The SPD has successfully managed the GREAT program and taught the GREAT curriculum since 1999. Sustainability of the GREAT program in Sacramento is founded upon the collaborative partnerships among local law enforcement, the local school districts, and the community based organizations Another Choice, Another Chance and La Familia Counseling Center. SPD strongly embraces the GREAT program and regards it as an essential component in directing our youth away from gang crime and violence.

During the last grant period, SPD implemented the middle school component of the GREAT program in three school districts: Natomas Unified School District, the North Sacramento School District, and the Sacramento City Unified School District. The Department employed the following strategies:

- Facilitated collaborative partnerships among SPD, the individual campus principals, numerous other law enforcement agencies and community based non-profit organizations.
- Added four more officers to our cadre of GREAT instructors. Eleven officers currently teach GREAT on their days off to 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> graders, focusing on schools with the worst gang problems.
- Partnered with a non-profit organization to offer a week-long summer camp called Kops & Kids, providing a safe environment for more than 300 kids in 2005. GREAT students are given priority registration for this activity.

In the FY06/07 grant program, SPD plans to implement the elementary, middle school, and summer components of the GREAT program in the following ways:

- Training every school resource officer as a GREAT instructor will increase the total number of GREAT instructors from 11 to at least 21.
- Expanding instruction to 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders at schools identified as highest risk.
- Using grant funds to increase the quantity and improve the quality of Kops & Kids activities. Even though the Kops & Kids summer camp has provided more than 4,500 kids with the opportunity to interact with positive role models from the police and fire services since 1986, the non-profit

organization that funds the Kops & Kids struggles to raise the financial resources needed to create relevant and exciting activities.

- By increasing the number of GREAT instructors to at least 21, expanding instruction to 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders, and partnering with Kops & Kids will increase our impact by raising the number of students who are exposed to GREAT from 400 each school year to more than 1,320. This represents a 230% increase in the number of school-aged children who will graduate from the GREAT program each year.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2006-XXX**

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

December 5, 2006

**FY06/07 GANG RESISTANCE EDUCATION AND TRAINING (GREAT) GRANT**

**BACKGROUND**

- A. The Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, United States Department of Justice, which provides funding to local City and County law enforcement agencies for public safety purposes, has awarded \$146,899 in funding to the Police Department through the FY06/07 Gang Resistance Education and Training (GREAT) grant. The grant period began on March 1, 2006 and runs through February 28, 2007.
- B. Acceptance of the grant requires a minimum 10% match. The City's match for this grant will be \$16,547, or 11.26% of the total project cost of \$163,446. The match will be paid from revenue received from school districts from E286 in Fund 255 and includes the cost of five (5) School Resource Officers to work 60 hours each during the GREAT program summer camp.
- C. The Police Department will use this funding to increase the number of GREAT instructors to at least 15, expand instruction to 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders, and partner with Kops & Kids to increase our number of school-aged children who will graduate from the GREAT program by more than 200 percent.

**BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

- Section 1. The City Manager, or his designated representative, is hereby authorized on behalf of the City of Sacramento, to accept Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, United States Department of Justice, funds in the amount of \$146,899, including any extensions or amendments thereto, and to use this funding to continue and improve teaching of the Gang Resistance Education and Training (GREAT) curriculum in elementary and middle schools in the Sacramento City Unified School District, the Natomas Unified School District, and the North Sacramento School District.
- Section 2. The Grant Operating Expense and Revenue budgets shall be amended as follows:

Grant Revenue Budget:

255-OGR-GXXX-3513	Grant Revenue Budget	<u>\$146,899</u>
TOTAL GRANT REVENUE		\$146,899

Grant Expenditure Budget:

255-OGR-GXXX-41XX	Personnel	\$ 71,463
255-OGR-GXXX-41XX	Benefits	20,891
255-OGR-GXXX-42XX	Travel	20,623
255-OGR-GXXX-44XX	Supplies	18,308
255-OGR-GXXX-42XX	Contractual	12,500
255-OGR-GXXX-4XXX	Other	19,661
255-OGR-GXXX-4333	Grant Match (In-Kind)	<u>(16,547)</u>
SUBTOTAL EXPENSES		\$146,899
255-EFP-E286-4716		(16,547)
255-EFP-E286-4334		<u>16,547</u>
TOTAL GRANT EXPENDITURE		\$146,899