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City Council
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

**SUBJECT: PROPOSED USE OF FUNDS FROM THE LOCAL LAW
ENFORCEMENT BLOCK GRANT**

LOCATION AND COUNCIL DISTRICT: Citywide

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt the attached Resolution to:

- Authorize the City Manager to accept Local Law Enforcement Block Grant funds from the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)
- Authorize the use of funding from the LLEBG program for \$811,038; and
- Amend the Police Department's Grant Operating and Grant Revenue Budgets in the amount of \$811,038.

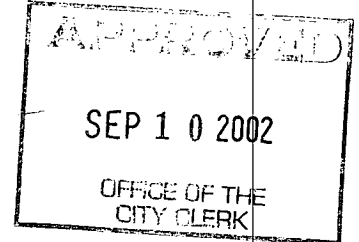
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FOR COUNCIL MEETING OF: September 10, 2002

SUMMARY:

The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) has awarded funding for the LLEBG to the Sacramento Police Department on an annual basis since 1996. The Police Department is requesting approval for the use of \$811,038 in funding from the LLEBG program that will be used to fund several programs

The mission of the Sacramento Police Department is to work in partnership with the Community to protect life and property; solve neighborhood problems, and enhance the quality of life in our City.



and purchase police equipment.

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION ACTION:

The Sacramento County Criminal Justice Cabinet has approved the Police Department's plans for the proposed use of funding.

BACKGROUND:

Since 1996, the BJA has allocated funding to local government to underwrite projects to reduce crime and improve public safety. Funding is computed by a formula based on the Uniform Crime Report Part I violent crimes reported to the FBI each year.

The Police Department's award for fiscal year 2002-03 is \$811,038. The Department proposes that the LLEBG funds be used to cover operating costs for the Air Support Unit (Helicopter) and Mounted Unit. Both of these programs have proven to be invaluable to the department in many aspects. The Helicopter Program has been funded with prior outside funds for the past four years. The Helicopter program improves oversight management at crime scenes and major incidents by utilizing the onboard camera that relays real time information to Watch Commanders on the ground, reduces response time to emergency calls, increases both officer and citizen safety during vehicle pursuits, and increases overall efficiency for Police Patrol Operations. The Mounted Unit provides a positive police presence in the Old Sacramento and Downtown Plaza area, reduces potential for civil disorder at large public gatherings, and is a force multiplier (1 mounted unit equals 6-8 officers) for staffing purposes. The Department proposes to purchase new Mobile Data Computers, 800 Megahertz radios and additional equipment for the new Command Post Van. The Department would like to purchase Gym Equipment for the new Public Safety Administration Building and other miscellaneous police-related equipment as needs are identified.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

The Police Department's funding for fiscal year 2002-03 is \$729,934 and includes a ten-percent City match of \$81,104 for a total award of \$811,038. The match is included in the Police Department's fiscal year 2003 Operating Budget. Funds will be used to purchase the above listed equipment and other police-related items in BJA's program area to "Support Law Enforcement," including the purchase of equipment and technology. The approximate cost for the Helicopter and Mounted Programs is \$500,000. The approximate cost for purchasing additional Mobile Data Computers, 800 Megahertz Radios, Gym Equipment, equipment for the Command Post Van, and miscellaneous equipment items as needed is \$300,000.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:

This activity does not constitute a "project" and is therefore exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), CEQA Guidelines Sections 15061(b)(1) and 15378(b)(3).

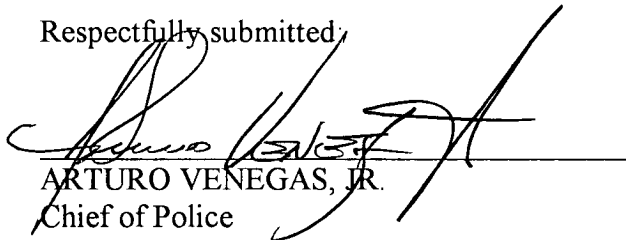
POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

Acceptance of Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG) funds is consistent with the City's mission to protect, preserve, and enhance the quality of life for present and future generations. This is the seventh year the Police Department will receive these funds.

E/SBD CONSIDERATIONS:

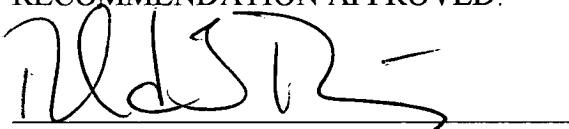
Purchase of supplies and equipment will be made in accordance with the City's Emerging and Small Business Development program requirements.

Respectfully submitted,



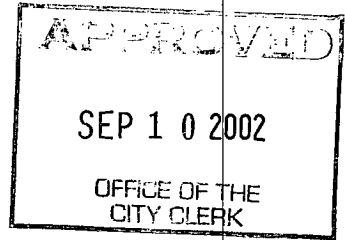
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RECOMMENDATION APPROVED:



ROBERT P. THOMAS
City Manager

AV:jj



RESOLUTION NO. 2002-613

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL

ON DATE OF _____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF FUNDING FROM LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT BLOCK GRANT (LLEBG) PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE TO REDUCE CRIME AND IMPROVE PUBLIC SAFETY.

WHEREAS the City of Sacramento desires, through funding made available from the LLEBG program, to supplement law enforcement services, and purchase police equipment;

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO THAT:

1. The City Manager of the City of Sacramento, or his designated representative, is hereby authorized on behalf of the City of Sacramento, to accept LLEBG grant funds in the amount of \$811,038 including any extensions or amendments thereof, to supplement law enforcement services, and purchase police equipment.

2. The Grant Operating and Grant Revenue Budgets shall be amended as follows:

Grant revenue budget:	
255-OGR-Gxxx-3513 Federal Grant	\$ 811,038
Grant expenditure budget:	
255-OGR-Gxxx-4xxx Supplies and Services for Helicopter and Mounted Units.	\$ 500,000
255-OGR-Gxxx-4435 Mobile Data Computers, 800 Megahertz Radios and misc. equipment.	\$ 311,038
Total grant expense:	\$ 811,038
255-OGR-Gxxx-4334 City grant match	\$ -81,104
Total federal share	\$ 729,934

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

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DATE ADOPTED: _____