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November 3, 1999

City Council  
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

**SUBJECT: JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION  
GRANT APPLICATION**

**LOCATION AND COUNCIL DISTRICT:** District 1, Northgate Area (Target areas are bounded by San Juan Road on the North side, East Levee on the East side, Pacific Gas and Electric lines on the West side, and Garden Highway on the South side).

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

This is an informational report regarding the Police Department's request for permission to submit a Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention grant application to the Office of Criminal Justice Planning (OCJP). No action is requested at this time.

**CONTACT PERSON:** Capt. Ernie Daniels, Family & Youth Services Division, 264-7985  
Sgt. Steve Quinn, Family & Youth Services Division, 264-7961

**FOR COUNCIL MEETING OF:** November 16, 1999

**SUMMARY:**

The Police Department is applying for a three-year grant through OCJP to implement a juvenile delinquency prevention program focusing on youths who are at-risk of entering the criminal justice system. The Police Department's Family and Youth Services Division will mentor and track the progress of 24 youths targeted for participation in the crime prevention program entitled, "Computer Assisted Mentoring Program" (CAMP).

*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.*

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**COMMITTEE/COMMISSION ACTION:**

None.

**BACKGROUND:**

OCJP has placed an emphasis on funding the "best" qualitative rather than quantitative programs and have asked applicants to target a smaller number of youths in order to have the greatest effect. This year, the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (JJDP) Request For Proposals offer applicants the option of applying for one or any combination of seven program components to achieve those goals. The program objectives for this grant are in line with the federal Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) Comprehensive Strategy and the Police Department's 1999 Comprehensive Family and Youth Services Plan.

The Police Department's application for the Prevention sub-component will focus on youths residing in the Northgate area who, through OCJP's criteria, have been identified as "at-risk" of entering the criminal justice system. This area comprised more than 150 arrests for the first three quarters of 1999 and more than 180 total arrests for 1998. A correlation has been made that the hours between 3:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. are times when youths are most likely to commit crimes. Through CAMP, located at the Northgate Police Service Center, youths targeted for participation will be provided with productive activities to keep them off the streets during these hours. Among those activities are instruction in the use of computers including, but not limited to, the Internet for homework and research, and e-mail for communicating with their own police officer mentors. A key component in the design of the grant is tracking the progress of the students for three years to evaluate the effects of mentors who, through a variety of methods, are supportive in their academic endeavors and are positive role models in place of, or, in addition to their parents.

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

The Police Department has requested \$150,000 in grant funds which would cover one (1) FTE Administrative Analyst II, one (1) FTE Community Service Officer, equipment, supplies, and one (1) vehicle. Matching funds are not required for this grant. All grant funds will be administered through the Police Department Fiscal Section.

OCJP anticipates that all funds for the three-year funding cycle will be exhausted. Therefore, they do not expect to solicit another request for grant funding before the year 2003 for juvenile programs.

**ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

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



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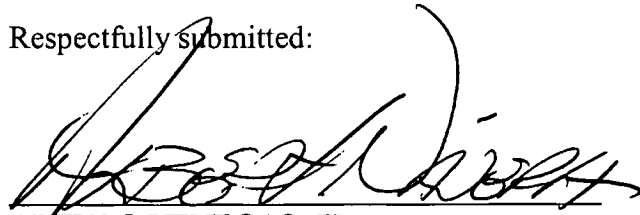
**POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:**

The Police Department's application for the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention grant is consistent with past practices. If the grant is awarded, the Police Department will return to City Council to request grant acceptance authorization.

**E/SBD CONSIDERATIONS:**

Materials and services will be procured in accordance with the City's E/SBD policy.

Respectfully submitted:



ARTURO VENEGAS, JR.  
Chief of Police

RECOMMENDATION APPROVED:



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