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City Council
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

SUBJECT: APPLICATION FOR BULLETPROOF VEST PARTNERSHIP GRANT

LOCATION AND COUNCIL DISTRICT: City Wide

RECOMMENDATION:

This is an information report regarding the Police Department's submission of the Bulletproof Vest Partnership grant application to the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA). Due to the probability of grant funds being awarded on a first-come first-serve basis, this staff report is being presented to City Council after grant submission. No action is requested at this time.

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FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: May 25, 1999

SUMMARY:

The Bulletproof Vest Partnership grant is a 50% matching fund that will be awarded by the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance. The purpose of the grant is to save lives of law enforcement officers by helping tribal and local governments provide law enforcement officers with armored vests. The anticipated award to the Police Department is approximately \$30,000 for the purchase of 300 vests. A \$30,000 City match from the Police Department's existing operating budget is required.

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 required.

BACKGROUND:

- In April 1999, applications were made available to law enforcement agencies to apply for \$25 Million in funds from the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act of 1998.
- At least half the funds are designated for tribal governments and local governments with fewer than 100,000 residents. The remaining funds will be available for other law enforcement agencies.
- The application process is done through the Internet, with grants awarded in order of applications received. The Sacramento Police Department's application was the 211th submitted.
- The Police Department purchases both Second Chance threat level II & IIIA vests for its officers. It is anticipated that approximately 300 vest will be needed for replacement of older vests and for use by officers being transferred into SWAT, K-9, or Narcotics Sections (Level IIIA) during the next fiscal year.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

A \$30,000 cash match from the Police Department's existing operating budget will be required.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:

Not Applicable

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

The Police Department's application for grant funds is consistent with past practices.

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E/SBD CONSIDERATIONS:

Purchases will be consistent with City policy.

Respectfully submitted:



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FOR CITY COUNCIL INFORMATION:



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