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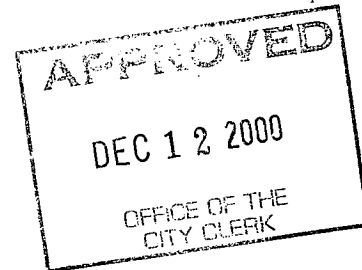
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City Council
Sacramento, California



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 use of funding from the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG) program for \$1,001,477; and
- Amend the Police Department's Grant Operating and Grant Revenue Budgets in the amount of \$1,001,477.

CONTACT PERSON: Connie Kimoto, Administrative Services Officer, Fiscal, 264-7215
Sergeant Doug Voska, Fiscal, 264-7705

FOR COUNCIL MEETING OF: December 12, 2000

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.

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 \$1,001,477 in funding from the LLEBG program that will be used to 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.

On September 19, 2000, City Council granted approval for the Police Department to apply for the 2000-01 allotment of LLEBG funds. The Police Department's award for fiscal year 2000-01 is \$1,001,477. The Department proposes that the LLEBG funds be used to pay for equipment that would perform a wide range of services including optical imaging, scanning, and freezing and drying evidence. A command post vehicle, several unmarked vehicles, and less than lethal ballistic weapons would also be purchased with LLEBG funds.

Equipment Description

Optical Imagers and Scanner: Police reports, which must be maintained for a minimum of seven years, are stored in two locations. Paper files will be purged using the imagers and scanner and would free up storage space, improving efficiency in records management. The purchase of the optical imagers and a scanner would streamline the report retrieval process and, among other benefits, save staff time from having to travel to and from the storage locations.

Forensic Freezers: State law mandates time provisions for maintaining forensic evidence, including evidence that must be frozen. Police Department freezers which store evidence are nearly filled to capacity. The purchase of new freezers will ensure evidence, including DNA testable evidence, is properly stored and available for court cases. However, because changes in State law mandating the storage of forensic evidence are pending, the Police Department may be required to change the type of cooling equipment that will be purchased to meet the new requirements.

Forensic Dryers: Forensic dryers are specially designed drying machines developed to withstand the challenges of improper or contaminated storage that may occur in court cases. In addition,

they will provide employees with a work environment safe from possible problems arising from storage of blood-soaked clothing in an open area.

Command Post Vehicle: A new command post vehicle, equipped with communications and high-tech equipment, will be used for complex, on-scene management of emergency/crisis situations and special events. Revenue from the sale of the current command post vehicle will be used to offset costs to retrofit the new vehicle.

Less Than Lethal Weapons: The OC Ballistic weapons use paint-ball cartridges filled with pepper-spray powder that explode on impact. They will be deployed to sergeants, specialty units (e.g., SWAT) and officers involved in crowd/riot control situations. Similar to tazers, OC Ballistic weapons incapacitate a suspect without lethal consequences.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

The Police Department's funding for fiscal year 2000-01 is \$901,329 and includes a ten-percent City match of \$100,148 for a total award of \$1,001,477. The match is included in the Police Department's Fiscal Year 2001 Operating Budget. Funds will be used to purchase the following:

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>ESTIMATED COST</u>
• 7 Optical Imagers/Computers	\$ 640,750
• 1 Scanner/Imager/Upgrade	\$ 26,925
• 1 Command Post Vehicle	\$ 150,000
• 4 Unmarked Vehicles	\$ 100,000
• 2 Forensic Freezers	\$ 40,000
• 2 Forensic Drying Machines	\$ 20,000
• 34 "Less Than Lethal" OC Ballistic Weapons	<u>\$ 23,800</u>
TOTAL	\$1,001,475

The purchase of this additional equipment will not increase staff or staff time to operate or maintain. It will help improve efficiency in Department operations.

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:

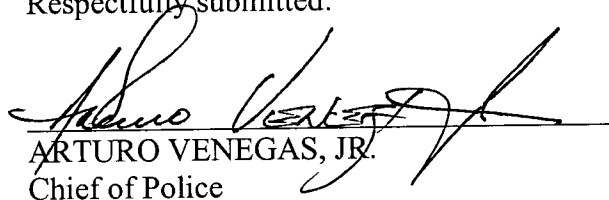
Acceptance of Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG) funds is consistent with past practices. This is the fifth year the Police Department will receive these funds.

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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:


ARTURO VENEGAS, JR.
Chief of Police

RECOMMENDATION APPROVED:


ROBERT P. THOMAS
City Manager

AV:tdj
REF: 11-14
Attachment

APPROVE
DEC 12 2000
OFFICE OF THE
CITY CLERK

RESOLUTION NO. 2000-732

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 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 program funds in the amount of \$1,001,477 including any extensions or amendments thereof, to purchase police equipment.
2. The Grant Operating and Grant Revenue Budgets will be amended in the amount of \$1,001,477.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

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DATE ADOPTED: _____