



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: September 9, 2014

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Investigative Division, Police Department

SUBJECT: Bureau Of Justice Assistance, Edward Byrne Memorial Grant - Santa Barbara Regional Narcotic Enforcement Team

RECOMMENDATION: That Council:

- A. Accept \$27,766 in funding from the County of Santa Barbara for partial funding of an officer position assigned to the Santa Barbara Regional Narcotic Enforcement Team; and
- B. Increase appropriations and estimated revenues by \$27,766 in the Miscellaneous Grants Fund for Fiscal Year 2015.

DISCUSSION:

Santa Barbara County has received the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program funding for the previous 24 years. The JAG Program is a formula grant awarded to state and local governments and is administered by the Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance. The grant supports a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime and to enhance the justice system.

The Santa Barbara Regional Narcotic Enforcement Team (SBRNET) is a collaborative effort between the Bureau of Narcotic Enforcement and all local law enforcement agencies to apply specific strategies designed to reduce the flow of narcotics through the County. The project uses searches, buy-bust operations and street sweeps as some of the tactics to reduce narcotic distribution in Santa Barbara County.

The California Law Enforcement Chiefs (CLEC), acting as the SBRNET Steering Committee, have historically worked together to develop the allocation plan for these funds and have agreed on the distribution. The participating agencies have all re-affirmed their commitment to SBRNET's mission and have agreed on an allocation plan that allows all agencies to continue to deploy a staff member to the team.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

The funding will increase the department's Miscellaneous Grant fund estimated revenue and related appropriations by \$27,766.

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