



Ventura County **SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

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Board of Supervisors
County of Ventura
800 South Victoria Avenue
Ventura, California 93009

Subject: **Authorization for the Ventura County Sheriff's Office to Accept One Action Target, Live Fire Firearms Training Structure Donated by the Ventura County Sheriff's Foundation, With an Estimated Value of \$672,609.**

Recommendations:

Approve and authorize the Ventura County Sheriff's Office to accept one Action Target, live fire firearms training building donated by the Ventura County Sheriff's Foundation, with an estimated value of \$672,609.

Fiscal Mandates/Impact:

Fiscal impact related to the acceptance of the donated firearms training building is minimal. The Sheriff's Office has sufficient appropriations to accept the donated asset. Ongoing annual maintenance costs related to the donated structure will also be minimal and will be absorbed within the Sheriff's existing budget.

Strategic Plan:

This item contributes to the Board of Supervisors' 2024-2027 strategic plan in that it falls into the strategic priority of fiscal responsibility and the values of excellence in service delivery. As active shooter incidents continue to occur across the nation, the live fire, firearms training building will provide an "in house" venue to provide realistic training to

local law enforcement. Training can have a significant impact on the response, actions and outcome during an active shooter incident. Having this venue adjacent to the Sheriff's Pistol Range allows for training of specialized units and other employees to occur locally as opposed to paying for offsite training, which often requires paying for lodging and meals as well.

Discussion:

The Sheriff's Office seeks your Board's approval to accept one Action Target, live fire, firearms training building donated by the Ventura County Sheriff's Foundation. The Ventura County Sheriff's Foundation initiated the project of funding and construction of the firearms training building in February, 2019, shortly after the tragic shooting at the Borderline Bar and Grill in November, 2018.

The live fire training building was purchased from Action Target by the Sheriff's Foundation with additional donations of \$49,044 worth of labor and materials by Design Masonry to complete the concrete slab the live fire training building was constructed on.

The live fire training building is located at the Sheriff's Pistol Range and Bunkers. This location is also described as buildings 413 and 419 and the approximately 191,664 square feet of land adjoining building 413 at the Camarillo Airport. This location is leased from the Ventura County Department of Airports by the Ventura County Sheriff's Office. The addition of the structure to the leased property falls within the parameters of the lease agreement.

The purpose of the live fire training facility is to provide peace officers with the training and resources necessary to ensure our communities are served by the best trained, best equipped, and most prepared law enforcement in the country. The Action Target live fire, firearms training building is a 360-degree, live fire, ballistically safe, shoot house designed for teaching and learning close quarter skills such as room clearing, and hallway navigations (encountered in active shooter scenarios) with realism and safety. The firearms training building is constructed of armored steel walls and utilizes sliding ballistic panels to reconfigure various rooms and entries.

The firearms training building will be operated and maintained by the Ventura County Sheriff's Office firearms cadre and range staff, who will provide oversight of its use and training at the facility. Maintenance and upkeep costs will be minimal and absorbed within the Sheriff's existing budget.

The Offices of the County Executive, Auditor-Controller, and County Counsel have been notified of this donation and reviewed this letter. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Assistant Sheriff Andrew Salinas at (805) 654-3926.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'JF' or 'James Fryhoff', with a stylized, cursive-like structure.

James Fryhoff
Sheriff

Exhibit 1 – Invoices for firearms training building construction