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

<u>Subject</u>: Authorize the Acceptance of Grant Funds and Increase Appropriations and Unanticipated Revenue for the Bureau of Justice Assistance Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program (Requires 4/5 vote)

Recommendations:

It is recommended that your Board:

- 1. Authorize the Sheriff to accept grant funds as a sub-grantee of the City of Oxnard, in the amount of \$21,171 as part of the Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program.
- 2. Authorize the Auditor-Controller to process the necessary accounting transactions to adjust the appropriations and unanticipated revenue within the Sheriff's Police Services, West County Patrol, Org. 4014:

INCREASE Services and Supplies	\$21,171
INCREASE Federal Aid – Other	\$21,171

Fiscal/Mandates Impact:

Mandatory: No Source of Funds: U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs' Bureau of Justice Assistance

Funding Match Required: No Impact on other Departments: None Accept JAG/Byrne Grant Funds December 15, 2009 Page 2 of 3

Summary of Revenue and Costs Revenue: Costs:	<u>FY</u> \$	<u>2009-10</u> 21,171	<u>FY20</u> \$	<u>10-11</u> 0
Direct Cost Indirect-Department Indirect-County CAP	\$ \$ \$	21,171 0 0	\$ \$ \$	0 0 0
Net Costs	\$	0	\$	0

Current Fiscal Year Budget Projections:

Current FY 2009-10 Budget Projection for Sheriff's Police Services—Org. 4000						
	Adopted Budget	Adjusted Budget ¹	Projected Budget	Estimated Savings/(Deficit)		
Appropriations	\$132,655,655	\$135,258,347	\$135,258,347	\$ 0		
Revenue	\$ 73,085,577	\$ 74,283,493	\$ 74,283,493	\$ O		
Net Cost	\$ 59,570,078	\$ 60,974,854	\$ 60,974,854	\$ 0		

¹ Nov 2, 2009

Discussion:

The United States Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance, engages in providing grants to policing agencies under the auspices of the 42 U.S.C. 3751(a)(BJA – JAG Formula), The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program. As one if its elements, the JAG Program provides the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) with grant funding to assist state, local, and tribal law enforcement to, amongst other things, improve the functioning of the criminal justice system. Equipment purchases are one of the many approved functions of the awarded grants.

The Sheriff's West County Patrol Division is comprised of the contract cities of Ojai and Fillmore, and all of the unincorporated areas that lie around and between Ojai, Fillmore, Ventura, and Oxnard. The unincorporated patrol areas are unsupported by discretionary city funding, and rely on static fund support and grants for equipment. This grant will provide \$21,171 in equipment purchase support above the level that the Sheriff's Department has been able to provide from its normal budget. The grant period began October 1, 2008, and has a statutory four-year period within which to spend funds. The City of Oxnard is the program manager for the grant, and we participate as a sub-grantee. The

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Sheriff's Department will expend all grant funds in FY 09/10. There is no cost to the General Fund for this program.

These funds will be used to purchase equipment that will provide investigators with safer and better warrant service tools, safety gear, and investigative apparatus. The net effect of these equipment purchases will be to improve the intelligence gained from surveillance, provide greater safety for detectives and officers serving warrants, and provide tools for processing information regarding investigated crimes. We expect these purchases to yield quality increases in evidence and prosecution, and greater levels of safety for officers engaging in higher risk entry situations.

This letter has been reviewed by the County Executive Office, County Counsel, and the Auditor Controller's Office. If you have any questions, please contact Chief Deputy Dennis Carpenter at (805) 494-8261.

BOB BROOKS Sheriff