
To: CCP Subcommittee on Finance and Programs
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Subject: Reprogramming of City-Destined CCP Funds

Recommendation:

- (1) Approve the use of \$25,000 for Placerville and \$25,000 for South Lake Tahoe to fund overtime for future joint field operations with Probation Officers (to commence with FY 2014/15). These operations will be focused on visiting probationers and anti-property crime surveillance operations. Reimbursement will be based on actual overtime rate for each individual officer.
- (2) Approve reprogramming of unspent funds that were set aside during the first 3 years of the realignment program for Placerville and South Lake Tahoe. This reprogramming will be directly focused on supplying each City agency with funds for anti-property crime proactive patrols for the coming year to be billed at actual overtime rate for each individual officer.

Note: each City plans to fund all supporting infrastructure (overhead, vehicle, radio/technology) at no cost to the CCP.

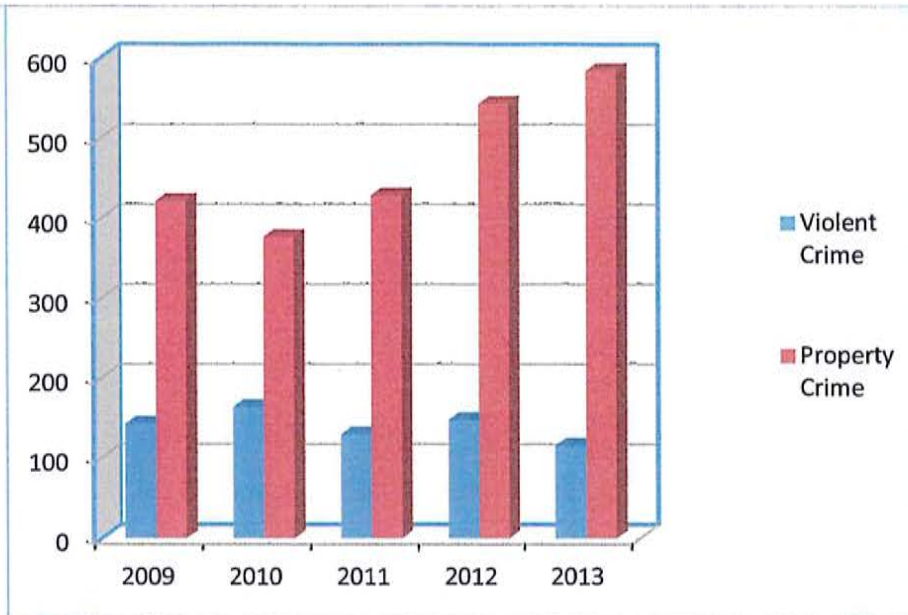
Background:

The City of Placerville and The City of South Lake Tahoe were represented on the CCP during the development of the realignment program. During this process, it was decided that each of the cities would be able to invoice for costs that were connected to AB 109. The capacity for each City to invoice was dependent upon a system of data sharing that was also being funded through realignment dollars. This technology was intended to roll-out to the police cars and provide clear identification of offenders that would be "billable." Unfortunately, this technology has not yet become available and other complicating administrative factors became clear when actual invoices were submitted.

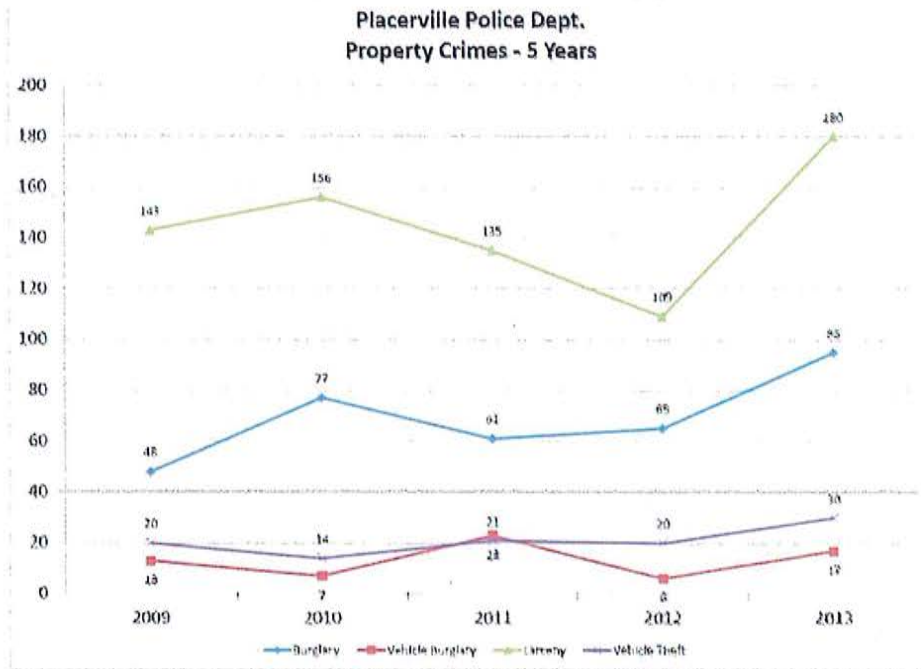
Realignment has focused on relieving the overcrowded prison system in California by realigning criminals from the State system into the County systems. Further, the level of some crimes has been downgraded so the offenders stay in the local community instead of being incarcerated in the State system. The trickle-down reality has led to more convicted criminals who have non-violent criminal histories being in the community instead of being incarcerated.

Not surprisingly, the property crime levels in both incorporated Cities in El Dorado County has increased. Two charts that reflect this increase are shown here:

City of South Lake Tahoe, Property Crime VS Violent Crime—Last 5 years



City of South Placerville, Property Crime



Proposals:

Item 1:

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Here, Placerville and South Lake Tahoe ask to link arms with the Probation Department and carry forward higher levels of field operations that impact those offenders who are in the community. We all strive for lower rates of recidivism. Perhaps more frequent home visits coupled with bolstering the impression that police agencies and the probation department represent a united front in the minds of offenders will lead to lower recidivism rates. In addition to home visits, anti-property crime surveillance operations in high crime areas could yield positive enforcement results which ultimately lower property crime. These specific surveillance operations can be focused on the crimes that are most aligned with realigned offenders.

Item 2:

Approve reprogramming of unspent City funds that were set aside during the first 3 years of the realignment program. This reprogramming will be directly focused on supplying each City agency with funds for anti-property crime proactive patrols for the coming year to be billed at actual overtime rate for each individual officer.

Use of these funds is being focused on correcting the clear trend of increases in property crime in the last 3 years. Both Cities recognize that this proactive patrol program will only last as long as funds are available. The theory is that once the trend is corrected, the ongoing effort outlined in item 1 will be sufficient to counteract the negative effects of AB 109 to the cities in El Dorado County.