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Sheriff's Office recommending the Board approve the acceptance of and authorize the Sheriff to sign the Domestic Cannabis Eradication and Suppression Program grant funding Letter of Agreement 2018-14 with the United States Department of Justice Drug Enforcement Administration in the amount of $56,000 for the period of October 01, 2017 to September 30, 2018 to defray costs relating to the eradication and suppression of illicit marijuana.

FUNDING: United States Department of Justice Drug Enforcement Administration.

DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

The Sheriff's Office recommends the approval and acceptance of these annual funds. These funds will be used for costs related to the eradication and suppression of illicit marijuana.

DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND

This is an annual agreement that the Sheriff's Office has participated in since 1997.

As in the past year, the DOJ is requiring that none of this funding be used to offset costs associated with law enforcement oversight of legal marijuana activities. The Sheriff's Office is complying with this requirement and has put procedures in place to separate the illicit marijuana suppression activities of staff from the legal marijuana monitoring activities.

ALTERNATIVES

N/A

OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the Letter of Agreement and the Sheriff's Office willingness to comply with the restriction of use of funds for suppression of illicit marijuana operations only.

CAO RECOMMENDATION

Approve as recommended.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no impact to Net County Cost. The revenue offsets the Sheriff's Office's costs for the marijuana eradication program. Funding has been included in the Sheriff's FY 2017-18 budget and will be included in the FY 2018/19 budget.

CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS

None

STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT

Public Safety

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