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LEROY D. BACA, SHERIFF

November 8, 2005

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF A U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, OFFICE OF STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT COORDINATION AND PREPAREDNESS GRANT AWARD (ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Authorize the Sheriff of Los Angeles County, as an agent for the County, to sign and accept a grant award from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Office of State and Local Government Coordination and Preparedness in the sum of $400,000, with no local match required, to support the National Terrorism Early Warning Resource Center (N-TEW-RC). This authorization includes any subsequent amendments, modifications, extensions, and augmentations pertaining to said grant award.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Office of State and Local Government Coordination and Preparedness provides funding to the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (Department) in support of the N-TEW-RC to assist the development and implementation of TEWs nationwide under the Fiscal Year 2005 Homeland Security Preparedness Technical Assistance Program. The N-TEW-RC provides support to the TEW Technical Assistance Expansion Program, which was created to promote the formation of a multi-agency, multi-jurisdiction, and interdisciplinary network of TEW groups nationwide that are capable of highly coordinated and focused efforts to collect,

analyze, and share information. This information would assist jurisdictions in preventing, responding to, and recovering from threats or acts of terrorism based on the careful assessment of information intelligence and detailed planning. This program is designed to educate an array of jurisdictions across the country on the necessary elements and actions needed to successfully develop and implement their own TEW.

The Department operates a highly successful TEW operation and is an excellent example of a multi-jurisdictional information sharing project. This is the second year of funding for this program. The continuation of funding will allow the Department's Emergency Operations Bureau (EOB) to continue ensuring jurisdictions have the guidance and educational resources to implement their own TEW and have it incorporated into the national TEW network.

Implementation of Strategic Plan

The grant program conforms to the Los Angeles County's Strategic Plan. Specifically, with the support of this funding source, the Department will be able to realize the achievement of Goal 3, Organizational Effectiveness, through collaboration across jurisdictional boundaries by providing resources for planning and responding to acts of terrorism.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

This grant, in the sum of $400,000, with no local match required, from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Office for Domestic Preparedness, will completely fund two sworn and one civilian positions. These positions will provide project oversight, training, workshops, speakers, organization, administrative support, and liaison with the Los Angeles TEW and other jurisdictions establishing TEWs. Funding from this grant will also provide for travel, equipment, periodicals, consultant fees, and overtime.

The funding has been included in the Department's Fiscal Year 2005-06 budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The grant award is for the period of August 1, 2005, to July 31, 2006. The board letter and award documents have been reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The funding will have a positive impact on current services, especially within the Department's Emergency Operations Bureau. This funding will afford EOB the opportunity to continue to enhance multi-jurisdictional information sharing by providing guidance and educational resources related to terrorism.

CONCLUSION

Upon Board approval, please return four (4) individually certified copies of the Board-adopted letter to the Sheriff's Department's Grants Unit. The Department's contact for the requested Board action is Michelle Day, Grants Unit Manager, (323) 526-5212.

Sincerely,

LEROY D. BACA
SHERIFF

Los Angeles County Chief Administrative Office
Grant Management Statement for Grants Exceeding $100,000

Department: Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Grant Project Title and Description

The FY 2005 Homeland Security Preparedness Technical Assistance Prog;ram will support the Sheriff's Department's National Terrorism Early Warning (TEW) Resource Center. The Resource Center will help ensure jurisdictions have the guidance and educational resources to implement their own TEW operation and incorporate it into a national network that will strengthen the homeland security efforts nationwide.

Funding Agency	Program (Fed. Grant # /State Bill or Code #)	Grant Acceptance Deadline
U.S. Department of Homeland Security,Office of State and Local Government Coordination and Preparedness	2005-TH-T5-K005	Immediately

Total Amount of Grant Funding: $400,000 **County Match Requirements:** $0
Grant Period: 08/01/05 - 07/31/06 **Begin Date:** 08/01/05 **End Date:** 07/31/06
Number of Personnel Hired Under This Grant: 3 **Full Time:** 3 **Part Time:** 0

Obligations Imposed on the County When the Grant Expires

Will all personnel hired for this program be informed this is a grant-funded program? Yes X No ___

Will all personnel hired for this program be placed on temporary ("N") items? Yes X No ___

Is the County obligated to continue this program after the grant expires? Yes ___ No X

If the County is not obligated to continue this program after the grant expires, the Department will:

a). Absorb the program cost without reducing other services Yes ___ No X

b). Identify other revenue sources Yes ___ No X

(Describe)_____

c). Eliminate or reduce, as appropriate, positions/program costs funded by the grant. Yes X No ___

Impact of additional personnel on existing space: N/A

Other requirements not mentioned above: N/A

Department Head Signature Lee Baca **Date** 10/26/05