



# OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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ROBERT G. LUNA, SHERIFF



March 19, 2024

**ADOPTED**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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

  
JEFF LEVINSON  
INTERIM EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD FROM CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR'S  
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR  
FISCAL YEAR 2023 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM  
(ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)**

**SUBJECT**

Request Board approval to execute the attached Governing Body Resolution, Attachment I (Resolution), and authorize the Sheriff of Los Angeles County (County) to accept and execute a grant award in an amount up to \$2,887,500 from the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP). The HSGP is financed by the United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS) funds, Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number 97.067, passing through Cal OES. The HSGP will fund the Regional Threat Assessment Center (RTAC) Program for the prevention of terrorism and the enhancement of all crime/hazard prevention support functions of the County Sheriff's Department's (Department) Joint Regional Intelligence Center (JDIC) Fusion Center.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:**

1. Adopt the attached Resolution that delegates authority to the Sheriff, or his designee, as an agent for the County, to execute the FY 2023 HSGP awards and take any actions necessary for the purpose of obtaining the HSGP federal financial

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assistance provided by the DHS and sub-granted through Cal OES, as a requirement of the grant application process.

2. Delegate authority to the Sheriff, or his designee, as an agent for the County, to execute the attached Grant Award Notification Number 2023-0042, Cal OES Identification Number 037-91034, in the amount of \$2,887,500 with no required match by Cal OES for the FY 2023 HSGP grant funds, CFDA Number 97.067, as distributed through Cal OES, for the grant period of September 1, 2023, through May 31, 2026.
3. Delegate authority to the Sheriff, or his designee, as an agent for the County, to execute and submit all required grant documents, including, but not limited to, agreements, amendments, modifications, extensions, augmentations, and reimbursement requests necessary for completion of the FY 2023 HSGP.
4. Delegate authority to the Sheriff, or his designee, as an agent for the County, to execute funding agreements with various outside law enforcement agencies, including, but not limited to, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office (LADA), Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), California Highway Patrol (CHP), and the State of California (State) Department of Justice (DOJ) for reimbursement of FY 2023 HGSP funds, and to execute, as necessary, all future amendments, modifications, extensions, and augmentations to such funding agreements.
5. Delegate authority to the Sheriff, or his designee, as an agent for the County, to apply and submit a grant application to Cal OES for the RTAC Program in future FYs, and to execute all required grant application documents, including assurances and certifications, when and if such future funding becomes available.

#### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The DHS has released FY 2023 HSGP funding through Cal OES to enhance the capacity of State and local agencies to identify and respond to acts of terrorism, as well as natural disasters. This grant award is specifically designed for the JRIC, which is the Greater Los Angeles Area Fusion Center and is managed by the Department. The grant funding provided to the County for the JRIC is used for planning, equipment, training, organization, program management, and administration for terrorism prevention, preparedness, and response. Overtime funds are distributed among the Department, CHP, LADA, and LAPD personnel. Overtime activities may include working on tips and leads, Terrorism Liaison Officer (TLO) Coordination, support of authorized security activities (SEAR events and state of emergencies), attendance of DHS/Federal Emergency Management Agency approved training, after-hour calls or



responses, event follow-up, among other activities. One DOJ employee manages the JRIC website and assists the TLO Coordination Program with planning, coordinating, tracking, and scheduling all terrorism-related training. Equipment purchases may include general office supplies, information technology (IT) subscription services for intelligence analysts to perform data mining, as well as IT maintenance and malware detection/prevention, and wireless data and service plans for smart tablets and phones and various other software and equipment.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

This program supports the County Strategic Plan, Goal III.4, Engage and Share Information with Our Customers, Communities, and Partners. The JRIC is an information sharing program that collects and relays data and information to internal and external customers, communities, and partners to enable informed decision-making for the protection of our communities.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The FY 2023 HSGP funding of \$2,887,500 will be utilized for the following: salaries and employee benefits (\$57,000-overtime only), services and supplies (\$2,685,000-training, contracts, IT, and planning), and other charges (\$145,500-participating agencies). The HSGP is a three-year period grant that is applied for on an annual basis and runs concurrently. Funding for FY 2024-25 will be included within the Department's FY 2024-25 Supplemental Budget Request.

This is the 12th year the Department will receive direct funding for this program.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

The Statement of Proceedings of the 2021 HSGP, dated April 19, 2022, required the Sheriff to allow the Inspector General to monitor the operations of the Department's activities as they relate to the JRIC.

The Department submitted an advanced notification of intent to apply to the Board, for FY 2024-25, on January 30, 2023.

The Department submitted a grant application on March 1, 2023, and upon review of the Department's application, the Cal OES awarded the grant in the amount of \$2,887,500 with no match requirement to the Department. The grant period will be from September 1, 2023, through May 31, 2026. On November 13, 2023, the Department provided a copy of Cal OES' subaward approval letter to the Office of Inspector General

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and notified them of its intention to seek Board approval to accept this grant. On November 14, 2023, the Department provided a copy of the Cal OES' subaward approval letter to the Civilian Oversight Commission and notified them of its intention to seek Board approval to accept this grant.

The Cal OES requires that the Resolution be adopted by the Board, as evidence, that certain County personnel have the authority to execute, on behalf of the County, grant awards and all other necessary actions needed for the purpose of the FY 2023 HSGP funding.

The Sheriff requests delegated authority to execute funding agreements with outside law enforcement agencies, including, but not limited to, the LADA, LAPD, CHP, and DOJ for reimbursement of FY 2023 HSGP funds, for services rendered for the JRIC, and to execute, as necessary, all future amendments, modifications, extensions, and augmentations to such funding agreements.

The Resolution has been approved as to form by County Counsel.

**IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

The FY 2023 HSGP funding will have a positive impact on current services by improving and enhancing the County's ability to mitigate all threats and incidents of terrorism.

**CONCLUSION**

Upon Board approval, please return two copies of the adopted Board letter and two original signed Resolutions to the Department's Grants Unit.

Sincerely,



ROBERT G. LUNA  
SHERIFF

Governing Body Resolution  
Fiscal Year 2023  
Homeland Security Grant Program

*BE IT RESOLVED* by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles that

Sheriff of Los Angeles County	OR
Undersheriff of Los Angeles Sheriff's Department (LASD)	OR
Assistant Sheriff, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer (CFAO) of LASD	OR
Director of Financial Programs Bureau, LASD	OR
Captain of Emergency Operations Bureau, RTAC Program	OR
Project Manager of the HSGP, RTAC Program	OR
Assistant Project Manager of the HSGP, RTAC Program	

is hereby authorized to execute for and on behalf of the County of Los Angeles, a public entity established under the laws of the State of California, any actions necessary for the purpose of obtaining federal financial assistance provided by the federal Department of Homeland Security and sub-granted through the State of California; and

Be it further resolved that (1) the County agrees to provide all matching funds required for the grant project and that any cash match will be appropriated as required; (b) any liability arising out of the performance of the grant agreement shall be the responsibility of the County; and (c) grant funds shall not be used to supplant expenditures controlled by the County Board of Supervisors.

The foregoing Governing Body Resolution was on the 19th day of March, 2023, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies, and authorities for which said Board so acts.

JEFF LEVINSON  
Executive Officer-Clerk  
of the Board of Supervisors of  
the County of Los Angeles

By: *Maxine Olveda*  
DEPUTY



APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
DAWYN R. HARRISON  
County Counsel

By: *Michelle Jackson*  
Principal Deputy County Counsel



October 18, 2023

Robert Luna  
Sheriff  
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department  
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**DELIVERED VIA E-MAIL:** [grantsunit@lasd.org](mailto:grantsunit@lasd.org)

**SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF SUBRECIPIENT SUBAWARD APPROVAL**

Joint Regional Intelligence Center  
Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)  
Subaward #2023-0042, Cal OES ID#037-91034  
Subaward Period of Performance: 09/01/2023-05/31/2026

Dear Sheriff Luna:

We are pleased to announce the approval of your FY 2023 HSGP subaward in the amount of \$2,887,500. Your subaward funding consists of: \$537,500 State Homeland Security Funds and \$2,350,000 Urban Area Security Initiative Funds.

Once the completed application is received and approved, reimbursement of eligible subaward expenditures may be requested using the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) Financial Management Forms Workbook. Failure to provide documentation in a timely manner could result in a hold on funding, pursuant to Title 2, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Sections 200.338(a) and 200.207(b)(1)-(2).

This subaward is subject to requirements in 2 CFR, Part 200, including the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), the Preparedness Grants Manual, the California Supplement to the NOFO, and all applicable federal, state, and local requirements. All activities funded with this subaward must be completed within the subaward period of performance.

Subrecipients must obtain additional written approval **prior** to incurring costs for activities such as aviation, watercraft, allowability request logs, noncompetitive






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procurement, and projects requiring Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation review.

Your organization will be required to prepare and submit the Biannual Strategy Implementation Report (BSIR) to Cal OES via the FEMA Grants Reporting Tool (GRT) semi-annually for the duration of the subaward period of performance or until all activities are completed and the subaward is formally closed. Failure to submit required reports could result in subaward reduction, suspension, or termination. Throughout the subaward cycle, milestones set in the GRT will be used as indicators of project feasibility, performance, and grant management capacity. This information may also be used in assessing proposals in future grant opportunities.

Your dated signature is required on this letter. Please sign and return the original to your Cal OES Program Representative within 20 calendar days upon receipt and keep a copy for your records. For further assistance, please contact your Cal OES Program Representative.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nancy Ward". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

NANCY WARD  
Director

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Robert Luna  
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

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Date