OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

HALL OF JUSTICE

ROBERT G. LUNA, SHERIFF

December 1, 2026

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:

APPROVE AN ANNUAL EQUITABLE SHARING AGREEMENT AND CERTIFICATION FOR FEDERALLY FORFEITED PROPERTY (ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

In order to comply with federal guidelines for the sharing of federally forfeited property, the Sheriff of Los Angeles County (County) must execute an annual Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification (Agreement and Certification) as a prerequisite to the distribution of equitably shared funds and property. The Agreement and Certification must be signed by both the Sheriff and the Chair of the Board.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

Authorize the Chair to sign the attached Agreement and Certification for equitable sharing of federally forfeited property.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Law enforcement agencies participating in federal task forces and the governing body of the agencies are required to annually submit an Agreement and Certification as a prerequisite to receive asset forfeiture revenues equitably shared by the Federal Government and the participating task force agencies.

Federally shared asset forfeiture revenues received as a result of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's (Department) law enforcement actions are deposited in the Department's Narcotics Enforcement Special Fund. This fund supports a variety of law enforcement programs.

Implementation of Strategic Plans and Goals

This request is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan Goal III.3, Pursue Operational Effectiveness, Fiscal Responsibility and Accountability, by seeking and obtain funding from sources other than the County to provide enhanced services to the citizens of the County.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Anticipated asset forfeiture revenues are included in the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 adopted budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Federal regulations require participants in the Federal Equitable Sharing Program to have the Chair of their governing body sign the attached Agreement and Certification.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the Agreement and Certification as to form.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of this request will allow the uninterrupted receipt of revenue anticipated in the adopted budget. No other County departments are impacted by this request.

CONCLUSION

Upon Board approval, please return a copy of the adopted Board letter and an original executed copy of the Agreement to the Department's Administrative Services Division.

Sincerely,

R. Luna

ROBERT G. LUNA
SHERIFF

OMB Number 1123-0011
Expires: May 31, 2028

Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification

NCIC/ORI/Tracking Number: CA0190036
Agency Name: Los Angeles County Sheriff Department **Type:** Sheriff's Office
Mailing Address: 211 W. Temple Street, 6th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90012

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Phone: 213-229-3300 **Email:** AOPua@lasd.org

Jurisdiction Finance Contact
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ESAC Preparer
Name: Daisy Ng Wong
Phone: (213) 229-3210 **Email:** ddngwong@lasd.org

FY End Date: 06/30/2026 **Agency FY 2027 Budget:** $3,978,987,000.00

Annual Certification Report

	Summary of Equitable Sharing Activity	Justice Funds [1]	Treasury Funds [2]
1	Beginning Equitable Sharing Fund Balance	$5,213,824.02	$1,924,267.97
2	Equitable Sharing Funds Received	$1,906,400.87	$191,378.90
3	Other Income	$350.00	$0.00
4	Interest Income	$247,776.36	$31,696.54
5	Total Equitable Sharing Funds Received (total of lines 2-4)	$2,154,527.23	$223,075.44
6	Equitable Sharing Funds Spent (total of lines a - n)	$895,371.01	$186,671.85
7	Ending Equitable Sharing Funds Balance (difference between line 6 and the sum of lines 1 and 5)	$6,472,980.24	$1,960,671.56

[1]Department of Justice Asset Forfeiture Program Investigative Agency participants are: FBI, DEA, ATF, USPIS, USDA, DCIS, DSS, and FDA
[2]Department of the Treasury Asset Forfeiture Program participants are: IRS-CI, ICE, CBP and USSS.

	Summary of Shared Funds Spent	Justice Funds	Treasury Funds
a	Law Enforcement Administrative Costs	$473,712.84	$6,411.29
b	Training and Education	$0.00	$0.00
c	Law Enforcement, Public Safety, and Detention Facilities	$0.00	$0.00
d	Law Enforcement Equipment	$421,658.17	$180,260.56
e	Joint Law Enforcement and Public Safety Operations	$0.00	$0.00
f	Contracts for Services	$0.00	$0.00
g	Law Enforcement Travel and Per Diem	$0.00	$0.00
h	Law Enforcement Awards and Memorials	$0.00	$0.00
i	Drug, Gang, and Other Prevention or Awareness Programs	$0.00	$0.00
j	Overtime	$0.00	$0.00
k	Law Enforcement Initiatives that Further Investigations	$0.00	$0.00
l	Salaries	$0.00	$0.00
m	Non-Categorized Expenditures	$0.00	$0.00
	Total	$895,371.01	$186,671.85

Affidavit

Under penalty of perjury, the undersigned officials certify that they have read and understand their obligations under the *Guide to Equitable Sharing for State, Local, and Tribal Law Enforcement Agencies (Guide)* and all subsequent updates, this Equitable Sharing Agreement, and the applicable sections of the Code of Federal Regulations. The undersigned officials certify that the information submitted on the Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification form (ESAC) is an accurate accounting of funds received and spent by the Agency.

The undersigned certify that the Agency is in compliance with the applicable nondiscrimination requirements of the following laws and their Department of Justice implementing regulations: Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000d *et seq.*), Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. § 1681 *et seq.*), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. § 794), and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. § 6101 *et seq.*), which prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, disability, or age in any federally assisted program or activity, or on the basis of sex in any federally assisted education program or activity. The Agency agrees that it will comply with all federal statutes and regulations permitting federal investigators access to records and any other sources of information as may be necessary to determine compliance with civil rights and other applicable statutes and regulations. Further, agencies are required to collect race and ethnicity data as required by 28 C.F.R. 42.106(b) and 31 C.F.R. 22.6(b).

Equitable Sharing Agreement

This Federal Equitable Sharing Agreement, entered into among (1) the Federal Government, (2) the Agency, and (3) the Agency's governing body, sets forth the requirements for participation in the federal Equitable Sharing Program and the restrictions upon the use of federally forfeited funds, property, and any interest earned thereon, which are equitably shared with participating law enforcement agencies. By submitting this form, the Agency agrees that it will be bound by the *Guide* and all subsequent updates, this Equitable Sharing Agreement, and the applicable sections of the Code of Federal Regulations. Submission of the ESAC is a prerequisite to receiving any funds or property through the Equitable Sharing Program.

1. Submission. The ESAC must be signed and electronically submitted within two months of the end of the Agency's fiscal year. Electronic submission constitutes submission to the Department of Justice and the Department of the Treasury.

2. Signatories. The ESAC must be signed by the head of the Agency and the head of the governing body. Examples of Agency heads include police chief, sheriff, director, commissioner, superintendent, administrator, county attorney, district attorney, prosecuting attorney, state attorney, commonwealth attorney, and attorney general. The governing body head is the head of the agency that appropriates funding to the Agency. Examples of governing body heads include city manager, mayor, city council chairperson, county executive, county council chairperson, administrator, commissioner, and governor. The governing body head cannot be an official or employee of the Agency and must be from a separate entity.

3. Uses. Shared assets must be used for law enforcement purposes in accordance with the *Guide* and all subsequent updates, this Equitable Sharing Agreement, and the applicable sections of the Code of Federal Regulations.

4. Transfers. Before the Agency transfers funds to other state or local law enforcement agencies, it must obtain written approval from the Department of Justice or Department of the Treasury. Transfers of tangible property are not permitted. Agencies that transfer or receive equitable sharing funds must perform sub-recipient monitoring in accordance with the Code of Federal Regulations.

5. Internal Controls. The Agency agrees to account separately for federal equitable sharing funds received from the Department of Justice and the Department of the Treasury, funds from state and local forfeitures, joint law enforcement operations funds, and any other sources must not be commingled with federal equitable sharing funds.

The Agency certifies that equitable sharing funds are maintained by its jurisdiction and the funds are administrated in the same manner as the jurisdictions's appropriated or general funds. The Agency further certifies that the funds are subject to the standard accounting requirements and practices employed by the Agency's jurisdiction in accordance with the requirements set forth in the *Guide,* any subsequent updates, and the Code of Federal Regulations, including the requirement to maintain relevant documents and records for five years.

The misuse or misapplication of equitably shared funds or assets or supplantation of existing resources with shared funds or assets is prohibited. The Agency must follow its jurisdiction's procurement policies when expending equitably shared funds. Failure to comply with any provision of the *Guide*, any subsequent updates, and the Code of Federal Regulations may subject the Agency to sanctions.

6. Single Audit Report and Other Reviews. Audits shall be conducted as provided by the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Uniform Administrative Requirements, Costs Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards. The

Agency must report its equitable sharing expenditures on the jurisdiction's Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA) under Assistance Listing Number 16.922 for Department of Justice and 21.016 for Department of the Treasury. The Department of Justice and the Department of the Treasury reserve the right to conduct audits or reviews.

7. Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Information provided in this Document is subject to the FOIA requirements of the Department of Justice and the Department of the Treasury. Agencies must follow local release of information policies.

8. Waste, Fraud, or Abuse. An Agency or governing body is required to immediately notify the Department of Justice's Money Laundering and Asset Recovery Section and the Department of the Treasury's Executive Office for Asset Forfeiture of any allegations or theft, fraud, waste, or abuse involving federal equitable sharing funds.

Civil Rights Cases

During the past fiscal year: (1) has any court or administrative agency issued any finding, judgment, or determination that the Agency discriminated against any person or group in violation of any of the federal civil rights statutes listed above; or (2) has the Agency entered into any settlement agreement with respect to any complaint filed with a court or administrative agency alleging that the Agency discriminated against any person or group in violation of any of the federal civil rights statutes listed above?

☐ **Yes** ☒ **No**

Agency Head

Name: Luna, Robert G.
Title: Sheriff
Email: rluna@lasd.org

Signature: R. Luna Date: 10.6.26

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the information provided on this ESAC is true and accurate and has been reviewed and authorized by the Law Enforcement Agency Head whose name appears above. Entry of the Agency Head name above indicates his/her agreement to abide by the Guide, any subsequent updates, and the Code of Federal Regulations, including ensuring permissibility of expenditures and following all required procurement policies and procedures.

Governing Body Head

Name: Hilda Solis
Title: Chair, Board of Supervisors
Email: firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov

Signature: _____ Date: _____

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the Agency's current fiscal year budget reported on this ESAC is true and accurate and the Governing Body Head whose name appears above certifies that the agency's budget has not been supplanted as a result of receiving equitable sharing funds. Entry of the Governing Body Head name above indicates his/her agreement to abide by the policies and procedures set forth in the Guide, any subsequent updates, and the Code of Federal Regulations.

☐ I certify that I have obtained approval from and I am authorized to submit this form on behalf of the Agency Head and the Governing Body Head.