

REPORT FROM

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To: The Mayor
The Council

From: Miguel A. Santana, City Administrative Officer

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Reference: Board of Police Commissioners Transmittal dated December 9, 2014

Subject: **2014-15 INTERNET CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN PROGRAM GRANT FROM
THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES**

SUMMARY

The Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) seeks retroactive approval to apply for and accept a \$100,000 grant award from the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) for the 2014-2015 Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program (ICAC). The grant award has a performance period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015. No matching funds are required.

BACKGROUND

The primary purpose of the ICAC Program is to ensure law enforcement agencies are equipped to quickly respond to, investigate, and prosecute incidents involving the exploitation of children and juveniles through the use of the Internet. To meet these objectives, ICAC funds may be used to enhance investigation of offenders, deliver educational outreach programs, prosecute offenders in federal, state or local courts, allow for the LAPD to serve as a forensic resource to law enforcement agencies within the service area, and support participation in nationally coordinated investigations.

The Los Angeles ICAC Task Force is comprised of a network of 61 law enforcement and prosecutorial agencies that work in concert to prevent, investigate, and prosecute computer-facilitated crimes against children, particularly the exchange of child pornography and online solicitation for sexual purposes. The increasingly widespread proliferation, sophistication, and accessibility of computers and technology-related communication devices put children and youth increasingly at risk for online victimization, including unwanted exposure to sexual materials, sexual solicitations, or online harassment.

The Task Force is funded through a combination of State grant funds, Federal Department of Justice grant funds, and various local funds from the 61 involved agencies. The LAPD ICAC Unit is staffed by 15 officers and one civilian. The 2014-15 ICAC Program grant will fund 50 percent of the salary of one Detective II (\$56,940), sworn overtime (\$38,927), and various operating expenses (\$4,133).

While the LAPD ICAC Task Force Unit is partially funded through a combination of Federal and State grant funds, a majority of its funding is provided in the City's General Fund as part of the LAPD's regular law enforcement duties. Although no matching funds are required for this grant, the City must cover the remaining sworn salary costs of the Detective II. These costs are already included in the Adopted Budget and do not represent any additional General Fund impact since this position is filled by existing LAPD personnel. Further details on the grant are provided in the departmental report to the Board of Police Commissioners dated December 9, 2014 under C.F. 14-1729.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor:

1. Authorize the Chief of Police, or designee, to:
 - a. Retroactively apply for and accept the 2014-15 Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Grant in the amount of \$100,000 from the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) for the period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015;
 - b. Negotiate and execute the 2014-15 ICAC Grant Agreement on behalf of the City and submit all necessary documents relative to the grant award, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality;
 - c. Negotiate and execute new or amended agreements with affiliated ICAC Task Force agencies, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality;
2. Authorize the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) to:
 - a. Spend up to the grant amount of \$100,000 in accordance with the grant award agreement;
 - b. Submit grant reimbursement requests to the grantor and deposit grant receipts in the Police Department Grants Trust Fund No. 339, Department 70;
3. Authorize the Controller to:
 - a. Establish a grant receivable in Fund 339, Department No. 70, in the amount of \$100,000 and establish an appropriation account, account number to be determined, within Fund 339, Department No. 70, for the receipt and disbursement of the 2014-15 ICAC CalOES grant award;

- b. Transfer appropriations for the 2014-15 ICAC Program on an as-needed basis as follows:

From:	<u>Fund/Dept</u>	<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
	339/70	To Be Determined	2014 Internet Crimes Against Children	\$95,867
To:	<u>Fund/Dept</u>	<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
	100/70	001012	Sworn Salaries	\$56,940
	100/70	001092	Sworn Overtime	38,927
			TOTAL	\$95,867

4. Authorize the LAPD to prepare Controller instructions for any technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer, and authorize and instruct the Controller to implement the instructions.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Approval of the recommendations in this report will have no additional impact on the General Fund. Acceptance of the grant is in compliance with the City's Financial Policies in that one-time revenue is used for one-time expenses.

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