

REPORT FROM

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To: The City Council

From: Miguel A. Santana, City Administrative Officer 

Reference: Board of Police Commissioners Transmittal dated August 30, 2016

Subject: **2016-17 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 \$200,000 grant award from the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) for the 2016-17 Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program (ICAC). The grant award has a performance period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. 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 2016-17 ICAC Program grant will fund 50-percent of the salary of one Detective II at \$59,602; \$50,700 for sworn overtime; \$9,075 for equipment; \$2,880 for parking; \$5,000 for office supplies; and \$52,043 for other operating costs such as computers, software, printers and miscellaneous tools to aid in day-to-day operations.

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 August 24, 2016.

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 subsequently accept the grant award for the 2016-17 Internet Crimes against Children (ICAC) Program in the amount of \$200,000 from the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017;
 - b. Negotiate and execute the grant award agreement on behalf of the City, 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 \$200,000 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 and appropriate \$200,000 to appropriation account, account number to be determined, within Fund No. 339, Department No. 70, for receipt and disbursement of the 2016-17 Internet Crimes Against Children Program Grant funds;
 - b. Increase appropriations for the 2016-17 Internet Crimes Against Children Program Grant on an as needed basis from appropriation account, account number to be determined, within Fund No. 339, Department No.70, to Fund No. 100, Department No. 70, account numbers and amount as follows:

From:	<u>Fund/Dept</u>	<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
	339/70	To be Determined	2016-17 Internet Crimes Against Children	\$131,002
To:	<u>Fund/Dept</u>	<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
	100/70	001012	Sworn Salaries	\$ 59,602
	100/70	001090	Civilian Overtime	\$ 20,700
	100/70	001092	Sworn Overtime	\$ 50,700
			Total	\$131,002

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