

Alameda County Sheriff's Office

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Director of Emergency Services
Coroner - Marshal

AGENDA ITEM _____ February 9, 2021

January 13, 2021

Honorable Board of Supervisors
County Administration Building
1221 Oak Street
Oakland, CA 94612

SUBJECT: ACCEPT THE 2021 DOMESTIC CANNABIS PROGRAM GRANT

Dear Board Members:

RECOMMENDATION:

- A. Accept the 2021 Domestic Cannabis Eradication and Suppression Program grant funding from the U.S. Department of Justice for the purchase of equipment, supplies, and overtime costs related to marijuana eradication and suppression, for the grant period 10/1/20 - 9/30/21, in the amount of \$176,000; and
- B. Authorize the Sheriff, by title, to apply for and execute the related grant application and agreements, upon approval as to form by County Counsel, and to submit executed copies to the Clerk of the Board for filing.

DISCUSSION/SUMMARY:

There is evidence that trafficking in marijuana has a substantial and detrimental effect on the health and general welfare of the people of the State of California. This program is to support local law enforcement agencies to cooperate in locating and eradicating illicit cannabis plants, and to investigate and prosecute those cases before the courts of the United States and the Courts of the State of California.

The Sheriff's Office has been awarded \$176,000 in federal funding from the 2021 Domestic Cannabis Eradication and Suppression Program (DCESP). This grant is funded by the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) and administered through the State of California's Drug Enforcement Administration. These funds will be utilized to offset the overtime cost of deputies who are actively engaged in the marijuana eradication process. These funds may also be used to pay for other direct costs, such as rental of equipment, vehicles, aircraft and purchase of supplies.

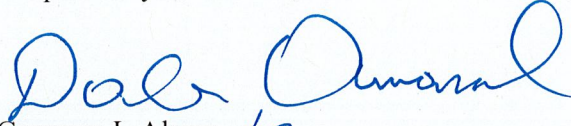
FINANCING:

No additional appropriations are required. Funding for this grant program is included in the Sheriff's Office FY2020-2021 approved budget. The costs associated with this request will be fully offset with funding from the 2021 Domestic Cannabis Eradication and Suppression Program. There will be no increase in net County cost as a result of your approval.

VISION 2026 GOAL:

The acceptance of the 2021 Domestic Cannabis Eradication and Suppression Program grant for the eradication of marijuana meets the 10x goal pathways of **Crime Free County** in support of our shared vision of **Safe and Livable Communities.**

Respectfully submitted,



Gregory J. Ahern
Sheriff-Coroner

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