

MARIPOSA COUNTY

AGENDA

DATE: November 3, 2000

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ACTION FORM

AGENDA ITEM NO.: 7B

DEPARTMENT: SHERIFF

BY: Sheriff Richards

PHONE: 966-3615

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: (Policy Item: Yes \_\_\_ No X)

Request the Board Authorize the expenditure proposal for funds received from the California Law Enforcement Equipment Program (CLEEP) and AB1913 Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Fund (SLESF). It is written in the bill that these "funds are to supplement and not to supplant". There is a requirement to submit to the State of California a report of how these funds were expended.

**BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:**

The Board has approved expenditure of the SLESF monies that are in the Counties 329 Account. There is no history on CLEEP monies as this is the first time that the County has been given this funding.

**LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:**

**COSTS:** ( Not Applicable)

A. Budgeted current FY \$ \_\_\_\_\_

B. Total anticipated costs \$ \_\_\_\_\_

C. Required additional funding \$ \_\_\_\_\_

D. Internal transfers \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**SOURCE:** ( 4/5ths Vote Required)

A. Unanticipated revenues \$ \_\_\_\_\_

B. Reserve for contingencies \$ \_\_\_\_\_

C. Source description: \_\_\_\_\_

Balance in Reserve for Contingencies, if approved: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:**  
List the attachments and number the pages consecutively:

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**CLERK'S USE ONLY:**

Res. No.: 00-400 Ord. No. \_\_\_\_\_

Vote - Ayes: 5 Noes: \_\_\_\_\_

Absent: \_\_\_\_\_ Abstained: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved ( Denied)

Minute Order Attached ( No Action Necessary)

**ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:**  
This item on agenda as:

Recommended

Not Recommended

For Policy Determination

Submitted with Comment

Returned for Further Action

The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file in this office.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board  
County of Mariposa, State of California

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

A.O. Initials: MRD

**BUDGET ACTION FORM**

FUND	DEPT/DIV	ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	PROJECT	INCREASE	DECREASE
001	0216	305-5509	CLEEP		(\$105,583)	
001	0216	521-0787	Transfers Out - Sheriff		\$58,103	
703	0310	309-1600	Transfers In - Vehicle Rep.		(\$58,103)	
703	0310	585-0640	Patrol Vehicles (2)		\$58,103	
001	0216	521-0480	Pepper Ball Guns (2)		\$1,600	
001	0216	521-0490	Training		\$2,400	
001	0216	521-0645	Surveillance Kits (2)		\$5,000	
001	0216	521-0646	Telecommunications		\$16,480	
001	0216	521-0480	Safety Equip. (2 sets)		\$2,000	
001	0216	521-0450	County Vehicle Expense		\$20,000	
001	0104	414-1090	GENERAL CONTINGENCY			
			<b>TOTALS</b>		\$0	\$0

TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS				Debit	Credit
001	0216	521-0787	Transfer Out (CLEEP)	\$58,103	
703	0310	309-1600	Transfer In (Vehicle Rep.)		\$58,103
			<b>TOTALS</b>	\$58,103	\$58,103

ACTION REQUESTED: (Check all that apply)

Budget appropriation by Board of Supervisors (4/5ths Vote Required): Amending the total amount available in the county budget, or in any one fund of the budget, or appropriating Reserve for Contingencies;

Transfer by Board of Supervisors (3/5ths Vote Required): Moving existing appropriations from one budget another, or between categories within a budget unit;

JUSTIFICATION: Increase CLEEP revenue and appropriate expenditures

DEPT HEAD SIGNATURE Jan N. Allen DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
 APPROVED BY RES NO. 00-400 CLERK [Signature] DATE 11-21-00

SHERIFF

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**BUDGET ACTION FORM**

FUND	DEPT/DIV	ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	PROJECT	INCREASE	DECREASE
329	0209	305-6281	AB1913 - SLESF		(\$64,428)	
329	0209	519-0787	Transfers Out - SLESF		\$64,428	
001	0216	309-1600	Transfers In - Sheriff		(\$64,428)	
001	0216	521-0154	Deputy Sheriff (2) - SLESF		\$32,635	
001	0216	521-0301	Benefits		\$13,545	
001	0216	521-0480	Pepper Ball Guns (2)		\$1,600	
001	0216	521-0490	Training		\$2,400	
001	0216	521-0642	Laptop Computers (18)		\$7,292	
001	0216	521-0480	Portable Radios (2)		\$1,600	
001	0216	521-0230	Overtime		\$5,356	
001	0104	414-1090	GENERAL CONTINGENCY			
			<b>TOTALS</b>		\$0	\$0

TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS				Debit	Credit
329	0209	519-0787	Transfers Out - SLESF	\$64,428	
001	0216	309-1600	Transfers In - Sheriff		\$64,428
			<b>TOTALS</b>	\$64,428	\$64,428

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JUSTIFICATION: Increase SLESF Revenue and appropriate expenses

DEPT HEAD SIGNATURE John W. Allen DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
 APPROVED BY RES NO. 00 - 400 CLERK DWW DATE 11-21-00

SHERIFF

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# Office Of The Sheriff – Coroner

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C.A. "Pelk" Richards  
Sheriff – Coroner

James Allen  
Assistant Sheriff

Howard Davies  
Assistant Sheriff

**TO:** The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
Mariposa County

**FROM:** Pelk Richards, Sheriff

**DATE:** November 3, 2000

**REF:** Allocating two additional Deputy Sheriffs and equipment using State funds.

Those of us who are charged with the responsibility of molding the future of law enforcement need to develop a vision of why and how we provide law enforcement services to our communities. I am thoroughly convinced that our mind-set must be constructed around the fundamental philosophy of community policing.

The effectiveness of community policing must be evaluated so that the results can be shared with the department and the community, and so that the department can systematically determine what works and what does not. Community policing calls for law enforcement to develop "the skill, procedures and research techniques to analyze problems and evaluate law enforcement effectiveness, as an integral continuing part of management." It involves an open-ended, process orientation that invites criticism, alterations, additions, and deletions.

Community policing models encourage and facilitate greater accountability on the part of law enforcement in general by pushing them to think through, systematically and comprehensively, how they will respond to a problem.

Inherent in the community policing approach is making greater use of the skills, brains and time of rank and file officers, the people who directly provide law enforcement services to the public. Law enforcement officers on the beat --- *especially if they are permanently assigned to an area* --- are in the best position to identify problems. I recall a statement of one of my professors in a leadership development class, "Random patrol is little better than sleeping on duty." I found congruency in those words. My message

given to deputies is that officers are expected to use uncommitted time to look for and solve existing beat problems. They are encouraged, indeed, expected to make decisions about how to analyze problems, develop appropriate responses and interact responsibly with the community in a partnership aimed at solving community problems.

These philosophies are part of an overall value system that guides your Sheriff's Office.

The first five paragraphs of this document is prepared in an attempt to give the Board a fundamental understanding of the practices and beliefs of your Sheriff's Office.

As your Chief Law Enforcement Official of Mariposa County, I can honestly say that we (your Sheriff's Office) are doing an excellent job in addressing crime and community problems for two-thirds of our county. However, one-third of our county, Eastern Mariposa, (El Portal, Yosemite West, Wawona and Fish Camp) has a law enforcement commitment level comparable to the 1970 deputy allocation. Patrol efforts are sporadic and accommodating only in those instances when manpower is available. When the citizens of Eastern Mariposa County have had a need for law enforcement services, they are frustrated by responses that can and have taken over an hour, in some cases they are further frustrated by the fact that an agency response is someone other than Mariposa County.

I believe that the Sheriff's Office has failed in its prior attempts to provide consistent law enforcement services to East County residents, by trying to provide services from the main office, located in Mariposa. Due to our failed attempts, the perception among residents that the area is no longer safe is fueled by several high-profile homicides and the lack of local law enforcement presence.

We have worked diligently to examine our internal operations and procedures in an attempt to find ways of better utilizing existing resources. We have made many changes to our operations that specifically redirected officer time allocations from administrative tasks to redeployment tasks. These internal efforts have enhanced our external responsibilities and effectiveness, with little assistance from general funds.

After carefully analyzing our department abilities to provide essential law enforcement services to Eastern Mariposa County, I'm convinced that we must increase our deputy allocation by two. Frankly, I have exhausted all internal abilities of redirecting officer time. We now have an opportunity through State funding to hire two deputy Sheriffs (refer to spending plan).

These two additional officers would be assigned full-time to Eastern Mariposa County. I currently have a recruitment deputy list, with the top two candidates both living in El Portal. Now is the time to correct our past attempts of providing consistent law enforcement services to this region of the county. Now is the time to embrace true countywide community policing fundamental philosophies.

This proposal will facilitate essential law enforcement services to Eastern Mariposa County, as well as providing continued and uninterrupted services to the remaining portion of the county.