



Mendocino County

Legislation Text

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To: Board of Supervisors

From: Sheriff-Coroner

Meeting Date: June 6, 2017

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Item Type: Consent Agenda

Time Allocated for Item: N/A

Agenda Title:

Approval for Sheriff's Office (MCSO) to Submit an Application for the Office of Justice Program Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant for Fiscal Year 2017

Recommended Action/Motion:

Approve the Sheriff's Office request to submit an application for the Office of Justice Program Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant for fiscal year 2017.

Previous Board/Board Committee Actions:

None.

Summary of Request:

The Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP), created by the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act of 1998 is a unique U.S. Department of Justice initiative designed to provide a critical resource to state and local law enforcement. MCSO has participated in the BVP Grant program for several years.

The purpose of the Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) Program is to reimburse states, counties, federally recognized tribes, cities and local jurisdictions up to 50% of the cost of body armor vests purchased for law enforcement officers. Since 1999, over 13,000 jurisdictions have participated in the BVP Program with a total of \$430million in federal funds for the purchase of over one million vests (1,275,098 vests as of January 2017).

Award amounts are not known prior to application. Current legislation allocates funds first to jurisdictions with less than 100,000 residents and then remaining funds are distributed on a pro rata basis to jurisdictions with over 100,000 residents.

The Deputy Sheriff Association (DSA) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Article 38 dictates that the County provide a protective vest every five years after issuance. The BVP program helps to offset some of the cost of providing this vital safety equipment that has been proven to save lives during deadly encounters. The deadline to file the application is June 28, 2017.

Alternative Action/Motion:

Return to staff for alternative handling.

Supplemental Information Available Online at: N/A

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Fiscal Impact:

Source of Funding: Federal OJP

Budgeted in Current F/Y: Yes

Current F/Y Cost: \$0

Annual Recurring Cost: \$0

Supervisory District: All

Vote Requirement: Majority

Agreement/Resolution/Ordinance Approved by County Counsel: No

CEO Liaison: Janelle Rau, Deputy CEO

CEO Review: Yes

Comments: