



Sheriff's Department
COUNTY OF TULARE
AGENDA ITEM

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AGENDA DATE: March 23, 2010

Public Hearing Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Published Notice Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advertised Published Notice	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meet & Confer Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Resolution, Ordinance or Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s) Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						
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SUBJECT: Presentation by Sheriff's Department on COPS Hiring Recovery Program

REQUEST(S):
That the Board of Supervisors:

Listen to a presentation by the Sheriff's Department on its COPS Hiring Recovery Program

SUMMARY:
In October, your Board accepted a grant from the federal Office on Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) to the Sheriff's Department to greatly expand the Department's community-based officers. The Sheriff's Department has used the grant to hire 12 new patrol deputies. After field training, these deputies are taking the places of senior patrol officers in the Department. The experienced deputies are being assigned full-time to be community-based officers (CBOs) in rural communities throughout the County.

The Department's community-based policing program closely models COPS guidelines for community-based officers. The deputies collaborate with schools, businesses, nonprofits and community members to prevent and solve crime. CBO's develop close relationships between the communities they serve and law enforcement.

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The Department is using its share of a separate grant from the U.S. Department of Justice to outfit the new officers with equipment and to pay for communications and mileage expenses of the CBO's. The latter grant is administered by the District Attorney's Office.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

The Sheriff's Department is using a COPS Hiring Recovery Program grant to pay the salary and the fringe benefits of new patrol officers. The Department is using a separate grant from the U.S. Department of Justice to pay basic equipment expenses for the new officers and to pay mileage and communications expenses of CBO's.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

The Tulare County Strategic Business Plan includes a Security and Safety Initiative. The Sheriff's Department is contributing to this initiative by placing new CBO's in rural communities throughout the County.

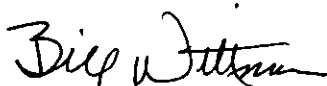
ALTERNATIVES:

N/A.

INVOLVEMENT OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS OR AGENCIES:

The District Attorney's Office is administering a grant the Sheriff's Department is using to provide basic equipment to new patrol officers and mileage and communications expenses for CBO's.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:



Bill Wittman
Sheriff-Coroner

Cc: Auditor/Controller
County Counsel
County Administrative Office (2)
District Attorney's Office

