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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: April 25, 2017

DATE: April 5, 2017

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Victoria Jakubowski, Fiscal Compliance Officer, District Attorney's Office, 325-6710 vjakubowski@da.washoecounty.us

THROUGH: Christopher J. Hicks, District Attorney

SUBJECT: Recommendation to accept renewed funding for a Deputy District Attorney for the provision of continuing prosecutor services related to the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) Task Force in the amount of \$80,000 from the Office of National Drug Control Policy award to Nevada HIDTA for the period May 1, 2017 through December 31, 2018, with remaining \$20,000 position cost covered by District Attorney General Fund budget. (All Commission Districts.).

SUMMARY

The District Attorney's Office is asking the Commission accept renewed funding for a Deputy District Attorney for the provision of continuing prosecutor services related to the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) Task Force in the amount of \$80,000 from the Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) award to Nevada HIDTA for the retroactive period May 1, 2017 through December 31, 2018, with remaining \$20,000 position cost covered by District Attorney General Fund budget.

The Northern Nevada Prosecutor funding is part of the Prosecution initiative proposed by the Executive Board of the Nevada HIDTA and approved by ONDCP.

County Objective supported by this item: Safe, secure and healthy communities

PREVIOUS ACTION

The Board of County Commissioners has accepted funding from HIDTA grant funds to partially pay for a Deputy District Attorney annually since February 24, 2009

BACKGROUND

The Director of The Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) designates areas within the United States which exhibit serious drug trafficking problems and harmfully impact other areas of the country as High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA). The HIDTA Program provides additional federal resources to those areas to help eliminate or reduce drug trafficking and its harmful consequences.

AGENDA ITEM # S.F.

GRANT AWARD SUMMARY

Project/Program Name: Northern Nevada HIDTA Prosecutor.

Scope of the Project: Provide prosecutor services related to the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) Task Force.

Benefit to Washoe County Residents: Provide a safe community for the residents and visitors of Washoe County.

On-Going Program Support: Funding has been in place since 2009. The Deputy D.A. position still has no guarantee of retention should the funding be discontinued.

Award Amount: \$80,000

Grant Period: May 1, 2017 through December 31, 2018

Funding Source: Executive Office of the President, Office of National Drug Control Policy

Pass through: This is not a sub-award. Funding is received from Nevada HIDTA fiduciary member (Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department)

CFDA Number: 95.001

Grant ID Number: G17NV0001A

Match Amount and Type: No match required but the Deputy District Attorney position cost exceeds grant amount and remaining \$20,000 will be covered with County General Fund appropriation.

Sub-Awards and Contracts: n/a

FISCAL IMPACT

The District Attorney's FY 16-17 and FY 17-18 base budgets include the budget authority for this activity in Internal Order 10724 and Cost Center 106100. Therefore, no budget adjustment is necessary.

Sponsor does not allow for indirect cost recovery.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Commission accept renewed funding for a Deputy District Attorney for the provision of continuing prosecutor services related to the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) Task Force in the amount of \$80,000 from the Office of National Drug Control Policy award to Nevada HIDTA for the period May 1, 2017 through December 31, 2018, with remaining \$20,000 position cost covered by District Attorney General Fund budget.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion is "Move to accept renewed funding for a Deputy District Attorney for the provision of continuing prosecutor services related to the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) Task Force in the amount of \$80,000 from the Office of National Drug Control Policy award to Nevada HIDTA for the period May 1, 2017 through December 31, 2018, with remaining \$20,000 position cost covered by District Attorney General Fund budget."