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County of San Mateo
SHERIFF'S OFFICE
INTERDEPARTMENTAL MEMO

Date: April 3 2001
Hearing Date: April 24 2001

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Sheriff Don Horsley *DH*

SUBJECT: Designation of SLESF (AB3299) Front-Line Law Enforcement Funding for the Sexual Habitual Offender Program

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt a Resolution designating the Sheriff's Sexual Habitual Offender Program (SHOP) to receive approximately \$132,000 in FY 2001-02 Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Funds (SLESF) allocated for front-line law enforcement activities in the County unincorporated area (Sheriff's jurisdiction), under the provisions of AB3299

KEY FACTS

1. On 7/10/96 the Governor signed AB3299 adding Chapter 6.7 (Section 30061 et seq) to Title III Division 3 of the Government Code Under this law each County receives an allocation of special COPS funding designated as SLESF monies Out of each County's allocation specific portions are allocated by statute to the District Attorney for criminal prosecution activities to the Sheriff for jail operation & construction activities to front-line law enforcement activities and to Juvenile Justice (used for the CPA 2000 grant process) The portion for front-line law enforcement activities is in turn allocated to municipal jurisdictions within the County based on annual population census estimates That share of these front-line law enforcement monies allocated to the unincorporated area (about \$132 000 in 2000-01) falls within the Sheriff's Office jurisdiction

2 In FY 1996-97 following the tragic attack on 9-year old Bertha Valencia by a previous sex offender the Sheriff's Office in conjunction with the Board of Supervisors and with active support/participation from the District Attorney's Office and Probation Department established the Sexual Habitual Offender Program (SHOP) to monitor the registration and whereabouts of PC290 sex offenders actively track serious/repeat offenders and make prompt arrests for any violations of the law.

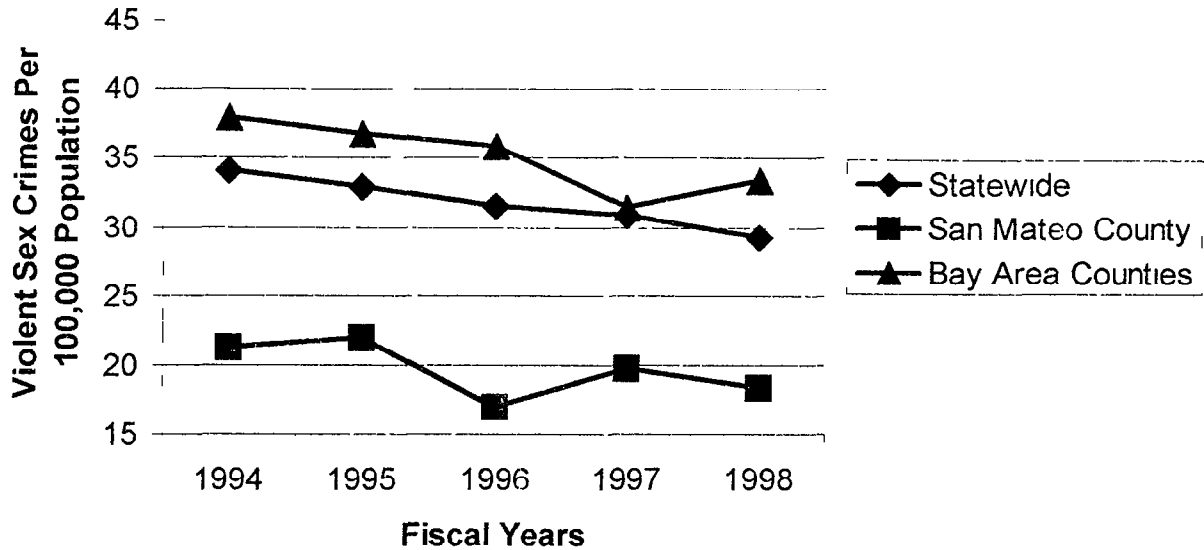
The Board is required to make a designation of the funds by September of each year separately from the budget hearing process (the County is normally notified by the State Controller in late August/early September of our total SLESF allocation) It is requested that the Board again designate the SHOP Program to receive an estimated \$132,000 in FY 2001-02 SLESF funds

Discussion

Staffing for the SHOP Program consists of a Sheriff's Detective Sergeant and one Detective augmented by administrative, analytical, and investigative support from other Sheriff's Investigation Bureau personnel as required. Accomplishments of the SHOP Program since inception include:

- Over 361 interviews and contacts with sex offenders being tracked within San Mateo County through June 30, 2000 (the number of San Mateo County sex offenders in the registrant database averages around 900 countywide). Helped to implement and provide continued staffing for the County Sex Offender Advisory Committee.
- Over 120 arrests made from 1996-97 through 1999-2000. Many of these were for felony offenses and the District Attorney has filed second or third 'strike' motions against many of the most serious violators. Additionally, have assisted numerous other County police departments and the California Highway Patrol in investigation of sex crimes occurring within the County.
- Sex crimes in San Mateo County have been reduced and remain consistently lower than comparative figures for both statewide and major Bay Area counties.
- Development countywide dissemination and on-request training of County law enforcement agencies on policy and procedures guidelines for consistent and effective implementation of Megan's Law and for sex crime investigation.
- Implemented and currently maintain Megan's Law PC290 Registrant database viewing station for members of the public to access files of registered sex offenders.
- Served as the pilot agency for development and implementation of a PC290 registrant tracking photo-database - this system became operational in 1998 and is regularly used for investigations by Sheriff's Office and detectives from other law enforcement agencies.

Violent Sex Crimes Per 100,000 Population Statewide & San Mateo County



Fiscal Impact

Financing from AB3299 SLESF funds for the SHOP Program is projected within the proposed FY 2001-02 Sheriff's Office budget which will be presented to the Board during June Budget Hearings. This Resolution serves to officially designate and allocate the budgeted SLESF funds. The projected 2001-02 cost of the SHOP Program (about \$353,000) is fully offset by a combination of these funds and budgeted Public Safety Sales Tax revenues. There is no additional fiscal impact.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF
CALIFORNIA**

**Resolution Designating the Sheriff's Sexual Habitual Offender Program as the
Recipient of FY 2001-02 Front-Line Law Enforcement SLESF Funding for the San
Mateo County Unincorporated Area**

WHEREAS this Board of Supervisors is committed to protection of the citizens of San Mateo County from victimization by repeat sexual offenders and predators through the operation of a Sexual Habitual Offender Program (SHOP) and

WHEREAS Section 6 7 of Division 3 of Title III of the Government Code added by AB3299, provides for allocation of Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Funds (SLESF) for use in front-line law enforcement activities by the receiving jurisdictions governing body and

WHEREAS using said funds the Sheriff of San Mateo County at the Board's direction, established said program in 1996-97, and it has since been effective in helping to reduce and prosecute sexual violence throughout the County and

WHEREAS San Mateo County will receive approximately \$132 000 in 2001-02 SLESF funds representing that share of said front-line law enforcement funds allocated to the County unincorporated area, and

WHEREAS it is necessary and desirable that said SLESF Funds be allocated to help finance the Sexual Habitual Offender Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The San Mateo County Board of Supervisors hereby designates FY 2001-02 SLESF front-line law enforcement monies in the approximate amount of \$132 000 or the corresponding final allocation of said funds determined by the Controller to be designated for the County unincorporated area, to finance the Sheriff's Sexual Habitual Offender Program.