

Approval to Accept the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Department of Justice Attorney General's Privacy and Piracy Grant and Establish the Budget

DISCUSSION:

The Stanislaus County District Attorney's (DA) Office became a member of the Sacramento Valley Hi-Tech Crimes Task Force (Task Force) in 2008 when the Stanislaus County satellite office relocated from the Turlock Police Department to the DA's Office. Even though the allied agency investigators have again relocated to their respective agencies, the DA's Office remains the point of contact for the satellite office.

The multi-agency Task Force is comprised of 66 local, state and federal law enforcement and prosecutorial agencies. The Task Force currently covers a sixteen-county region with an estimated population of over 4.3 million. Eleven of the sixteen counties served by the Task Force are designated as rural counties. The Task Force is overseen by the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department. The Sheriff's Department has existing relationships in place with all 66 participating agencies. The Task Force also works in close collaboration with the FBI's Cyber Crimes Task Force and is co-located with them at the main Task Force office in Sacramento.

Intellectual property rights violations have increased in the 16-county region covered by the Task Force. Investigated intellectual property rights violations include counterfeit pharmaceutical drugs, counterfeit merchandise such as surge protectors, personal hygiene items, and gang affiliated subjects manufacturing counterfeit digital media for the purpose of raising funds for criminal activity. Between the first quarter and last quarter of Fiscal Year 2010-2011, the Task Force experienced a 109 percent increase in intellectual property rights investigations. The cases investigated have had ties to organized crime and possibly to terrorism.

Identity theft also continues to be a problem in the geographical service area of the Task Force. According to a 2010 report by the Federal Trade Commission, California ranks number four in the United States for the number of identity theft complaints received. Additionally, at least three regions in the Task Force's service area rank in the top 50 for large metropolitan areas with the highest number of identity theft complaints.

On July 23, 2012, the Stanislaus County District Attorney's Office and the Sacramento Valley Hi-Tech Crimes Task Force submitted a joint proposal for Privacy and Piracy grant funding and were awarded \$69,401 from the Department of Justice.

The funds will benefit the citizens of Stanislaus County in two ways. First, the funds received by the DA's Office will be used to purchase much needed equipment for cell phone forensic investigations plus digital video and still cameras. The funds going to the Sacramento Hi-Tech Crimes Task Force will be used to purchase computer forensic equipment which will be distributed to law enforcement agencies participating in the Hi-Tech Crimes Task Force. In Stanislaus County those agencies include the Modesto Police Department and the Ceres Police Department. The equipment purchased through these funds will increase the Task Force's efficiency in conducting identity theft and intellectual property enforcement investigations. The District Attorney's Office will act as a pass through for the Task Force for the disbursement of equipment purchased with these funds.

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Upon proper submission by the Sacramento Valley Hi-Tech Crimes Task Force of paid invoices for such expenditures from the privacy and piracy grant, the Stanislaus County District Attorney's Office will determine if the expenditures are appropriate, according to the terms and conditions of the Privacy and Piracy grant, and reimburse the Sacramento Valley Hi-Tech Crimes Task Force.

POLICY ISSUES:

Acceptance of this funding will assist the District Attorney's Office in supporting the Board's priority of a Safe Community.

STAFFING IMPACTS:

Existing department staff is available to support this effort.

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Parties

This Memorandum of Understanding is entered into by and between the **Stanislaus County District Attorney's Office** and the **Sacramento Valley Hi-Tech Crimes Task Force**.

Nothing in this Memorandum of Understanding should be construed as limiting or impeding the basic spirit of cooperation that exists between the participating parties.

Purpose

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is:

- 1) To define the roles of each agency participating in the grant award.
- 2) To articulate the process by which the grant funds will be distributed.

Background

The Stanislaus County District Attorney's office became a member of the Sacramento Valley Hi-Tech Crimes Task Force in 2008 when the Stanislaus County satellite office relocated from Turlock Police Department to the DA's Office. Even though the allied agency investigators have again relocated to their respective agencies, the DA's Office remains the contact point for the satellite office. On July 24, 2012, the Stanislaus County District Attorney's Office and the Sacramento Valley Hi-Tech Crimes Task Force submitted a joint proposal for Privacy and Piracy grant funding administered by the California Attorney General's Office.

Fund Disbursement

As agreed upon by the Stanislaus County District Attorney's Office and the Sacramento Valley Hi-Tech Crimes Task Force the DA's Office will receive the Privacy and Piracy grant funds in the amount of \$69,401 from the Department of Justice. The DA's Office will purchase the following equipment which their office requested in the grant:

Celebrite UFED Touch Ultimate,	\$10,000
Cannon EOS Rebel T38 18.0 mp digital camera with camera kit,	\$1,100
Sony HDR PJ580VE Flash Memory HD video camera	\$1,250

Grand Total	\$12,350
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The Sacramento Valley Hi-Tech Crimes Task Force will purchase the equipment detailed below which they requested in the grant. To receive reimbursement for items purchased from the privacy and piracy grant the Sacramento Valley Hi-Tech Crimes Task Force will submit copies of paid invoices for such expenditures to the Stanislaus County District Attorney's Office, attention Lori Denego, 832 12th St, Suite 300, Modesto, CA 95354, along with a memo detailing the purchases and requesting reimbursement. This memo will also contain such authorization for these expenditures as may be required by the Sacramento Sheriff's Department and /or the appropriate Sacramento Valley Hi-Tech Crimes Task Force governing body. The Stanislaus County District Attorney's Office will determine if the expenditures are appropriate, according to the terms and conditions of the privacy and piracy grant and reimburse the Sacramento Valley Hi-Tech Crimes Task Force.

Cellebrite UFED Touch Upgrade from Cellebrite UFED physical	\$4,394
6 Polywell forensic computers (Poly X7900) \$5,137 each	\$30,822
12 Samsung 20" monitors for forensic computers \$330 each	\$3,960
6 Logitech wireless keyboard/mouse combo MK260 \$28 each	\$168
2 TB hard drives (20 per case)	\$2,987
2 HP Officejet 100 mobile printers \$280 each	\$560
VersaCheck X 1 Professional software (multi-user license)	\$200
3 Adobe Acrobat X Professional, \$500 each	\$1500
3 pre-paid ATT Go Phones \$30.00 each	\$90
Pre-paid air time, \$25 per month for 12 months X 3 phones	\$900
5 Xico 5607 hand-held mag stripe reader/verifier	\$2,575
Undercover video/audio recorder	\$8,895
Grand Total	\$ 57,051

