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## STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: April 8, 2025

**DATE:** February 25, 2025

**TO:** Board of County Commissioners

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**THROUGH:** Darin Balaam, Sheriff

**SUBJECT:** Recommendation to accept letter dated February 13, 2025 from the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department which provides additional funding [increase of \$79,036.00, no match required for a total of \$158,056.00] as administered through the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office for reimbursement of expenses associated with Internet Crimes Against Children investigations and Law Enforcement related county and non-county personnel training and travel, for the retroactive grant period of October 1, 2023 through August 31, 2025, and if approved, direct Finance to make the necessary budget amendments. (All Commission Districts.)

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### SUMMARY

This item is presented seeking approval to accept additional funding from the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department. Per county policy, the Washoe County Board of County Commissioners must accept grant awards and direct Finance to make the necessary budget amendments.

Additional grant funding has been awarded for reimbursement of overtime, training, equipment and supplies related to Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC). The Interlocal agreement grant period has been extended through August 31, 2025, as indicated in writing by the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department dated February 13, 2025.

**Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item:** Vulnerable Populations, coordination between agencies.

### PREVIOUS ACTION

On February 20, 2024, the Board of County Commissioners approved item # 9.I.4., the Sheriff's Office request to accept an Internet Crimes Against Children interlocal contract award [amount not to exceed \$79,020.00, no County match required] as administered through the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, Federal FY 2023 award number

AGENDA ITEM # \_\_\_\_\_

15PJDP-23-GK-05181-MECP, to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office to fund overtime expenses, travel, training and supplies for the retroactive grant term of October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024.

On February 8, 2022, the Board of County Commissioners approved item # 6.F.2 the Sheriff's Office request to accept the additional funding [increase of \$70,009.00, no match required for a total of \$140,018.00] as administered through the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office for reimbursement of expenses associated with Internet Crimes Against Children investigations for the retroactive grant period of October 1, 2020, through August 31, 2022.

On January 26, 2021, the Board of County Commissioners approved item # 6.E.4., the Sheriff's Office request to accept an Internet Crimes Against Children interlocal contract award [amount not to exceed \$70,009.00, no County match required] as administered through the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, Federal FY 2020 award number 2020-MC-FX-K011, to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office to fund overtime expenses, travel, training and supplies for the retroactive grant term of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021.

On January 14, 2020, the Board of County Commissioners approved item # 13, the Sheriff's Office request to approve additional funding [increase of \$79,020.00, no match required for a total of \$199,077.00] from the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department on behalf of the Washoe County Sheriff's Office for reimbursement of expenses associated with Internet Crimes Against Children investigations for the retroactive grant period of 7/1/19 through 8/31/20.

The Board has accepted funding for this Interlocal contract since 2006.

### **BACKGROUND**

The Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department received grant funds from the U.S. Department of Justice to be used to reimburse authorized expenses from Nevada law enforcement agencies that are designated as affiliate Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) sites. The WCSO is a designated affiliate site. Funding is utilized by these sites to prevent, interdict or investigate crimes against children by sex offenders using the internet. LVMPD will reimburse law enforcement overtime, training, equipment and supplies for the investigations and public awareness related to internet crimes against children as well as the internet connection expense for the ICAC Unit.

Reason for retroactive submittal: Item was submitted to the first available BCC meeting once all paperwork was received and processed.

**GRANT AWARD SUMMARY**

**Project/Program Name:** Internet Crimes Against Children

**Scope of the Project:** Investigate, prosecute and develop effective responses to internet crimes against children.

**Benefit to Washoe County Residents:** Investigating and prosecuting internet crimes against children serves the fundamental purpose of safeguarding the most vulnerable members of society, promoting community safety, and fostering a sense of trust in law enforcement. These efforts contribute to creating a secure and supportive environment for all residents.

**On-Going Program Support:** The Washoe County Sheriff’s Office will continue to provide at least one staff member to this task force.

**Award Amount:** \$79,036.00

**Grant Period:** 10/01/2023 – 08/31/2025

**Funding Source:** U.S. Department of Justice

**Pass Through Entity:** Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department

**Assistance Listing #/CFDA:** 16.543

**Grant ID Number:** 15PJDP-23-GK-05181-MECP

**Match Amount and Type:** No match

**Sub-Awards and Contracts:** N/A

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Should the board accept this grant award and approve these amendments, the FY25 Washoe County Sheriff’s Office, adopted budget will be increased by \$79,036.00 in both revenues and expenditures in the following accounts:

<b>Cost Object &amp; Description</b>	<b>G/L Account &amp; Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
IO-12330 FY 2023 ICAC	431100-Federal Grants	\$79,036.00
IO-12330 FY 2023 ICAC	701300- Overtime	\$ 10,956.00
IO-12330 FY 2023 ICAC	711210 - Travel	\$ 7,008.00
IO-12330 FY 2023 ICAC	710300 – Operating Supplies	\$31,072.00
IO-12330 FY 2023 ICAC	711504 – Equipment Non-Capital	\$30,000.00

This grant is on a reimbursement basis:

- No match required.
- Indirect costs are not allowable on this grant award as no salary or wages are included in the grant budget.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners accept the letter dated February 13, 2025 from the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department which provides additional funding [increase of \$79,036.00, no match required for a total of \$158,056.00] as administered through the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office for reimbursement of expenses associated with Internet Crimes Against Children investigations and Law Enforcement related county and non-county personnel training and travel, for the retroactive grant period of October 1, 2023 through August 31, 2025, and if approved, direct Finance to make the necessary budget amendments.

### **POSSIBLE MOTION**

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "Move to accept the letter dated February 13, 2025 from the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department which provides additional funding [increase of \$79,036.00, no match required for a total of \$158,056.00] as administered through the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office for reimbursement of expenses associated with Internet Crimes Against Children investigations and Law Enforcement related county and non-county personnel training and travel, for the retroactive grant period of October 1, 2023 through August 31, 2025, and if approved, direct Finance to make the necessary budget amendments."