



# WASHOE COUNTY

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## STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: May 21, 2019

**DATE:** Wednesday, May 15, 2019

**TO:** Board of County Commissioners

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**THROUGH:** Sheriff Darin Balaam

**SUBJECT:** Recommendation to approve acceptance of reimbursement costs [up to \$45,000.00, no match required] for overtime and other expenses incurred by deputies assigned to work with the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations (ICE-HSI). If approved, direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments and authorize the Sheriff to execute the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Immigration and Customs Enforcement and Local, County, or State Law Enforcement Agency for the Reimbursement of Joint Operations Expenses from the Treasury Forfeiture Fund. (All Commission Districts)

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### **SUMMARY**

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is entered into by the Washoe County Sheriff's Office (NCIC CODE #NV016000) and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Homeland Security Investigations for the purpose of the reimbursement of costs incurred by the Washoe County Sheriff's Office in providing resources to joint operations/task forces.

**Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item:** Safe, Secure and Healthy Communities.

### **PREVIOUS ACTION**

On September 22, 2015 The Board approved a similar MOU for overtime reimbursement for Regional Gang Unit Task Force.

On November 29, 2016 The Board approved a similar MOU for overtime reimbursement for Regional Gang Unit Task Force.

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

## **BACKGROUND**

The Washoe County Sheriff's Office may request the reimbursement of overtime salary expenses directly related to work on a joint operation with ICE/Homeland Security Investigations, performed by its officer(s) assigned to this joint operation. In addition, the Washoe County Sheriff's Office may request reimbursement of other investigative expenses, such as travel, fuel, training, equipment and other similar costs, incurred by officer(s) assigned as members of the designated joint operations with ICE/Homeland Security Investigations. The Washoe County Sheriff's Office may not request the reimbursement of the same expenses from any other Federal law enforcement agencies that may also be participating in the investigation.

## **GRANT AWARD SUMMARY**

**Project/Program Name:** U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Joint Operations Task Forces

**Scope of the Project:** Overtime costs associated with various Task Force law enforcement activities associated with the ICE-HSI.

**Benefit to Washoe County Residents:** Safer community.

**On-Going Program Support:** The WCSO will continue to provide a deputy for the task force.

**Award Amount:** Overtime reimbursement not to exceed \$45,000.00 annually (\$15,000.00 per person)

**Grant Period:** Upon Execution of MOU, renews automatically

**Funding Source:** U.S. Department of Homeland Security

**Pass through From:** U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement

**CFDA Number:** N/A

**Grant ID Number:** N/A - MOU

**Match Amount and Type:** None

**Sub-Awards and Contracts:** Any equipment will be purchased using Washoe County grant procurement processes compliant with 2 CFR 200.317-200.326. Professional services and/or Independent Contract Agreement will be approved by Purchasing within Washoe County grant procurement processes.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Should the board accept this grant award and approve these amendments, the FY19 adopted budget will be increased by \$45,000.00 in both revenues and expenditures in the following accounts:

**Increase Revenues**

11571 – 431100	(Multi-Jurisdictional Joint Op– Federal Grant)	\$45,000.00
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**Increase Expenditures**

11571 – 701300	(Multi-Jurisdictional Joint Op–Overtime)	\$45,000.00
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- No Match Required
- Reimbursement
  - Upfront cash from General funds
- Sponsor does not allow for indirect cost recovery

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Washoe County Board of County Commissioners approve acceptance of reimbursement costs [up to \$45,000.00, no match required] for overtime and other expenses incurred by deputies assigned to work with the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations (ICE-HSI). If approved, direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments and authorize the Sheriff to execute the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Immigration and Customs Enforcement and Local, County, or State Law Enforcement Agency for the Reimbursement of Joint Operations Expenses from the Treasury Forfeiture Fund.

**POSSIBLE MOTION**

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "Move to approve acceptance of reimbursement costs [up to \$45,000.00, no match required] for overtime and other expenses incurred by deputies assigned to work with the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations (ICE-HSI). If approved, direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments and authorize the Sheriff to execute the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Immigration and Customs Enforcement and Local, County, or State Law Enforcement Agency for the Reimbursement of Joint Operations Expenses from the Treasury Forfeiture Fund."