



# WASHOE COUNTY

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## STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: January 26, 2021

**DATE:** Friday, December 8, 2020  
**TO:** Board of County Commissioners  
**FROM:** Captain Pete Petzing, Special Operations Division  
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**THROUGH:** Darin Balaam, Sheriff  
**SUBJECT:** Recommendation 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 and if approved, authorize Sheriff Balaam to execute award documentation, and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. (All Commission Districts.)

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### SUMMARY

This item is presented seeking approval to accept the interlocal contract Internet Crimes Against Children through the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department. The Internet Crimes Against Children and the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department has awarded the Washoe County Sheriff's Office funding for overtime, travel, training and supplies.

The Washoe Board of County Commissioners must accept grant awards and must approve amendments to the adopted fiscal year budget and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments.

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

### PREVIOUS ACTION

On January 14, 2020, the Board of County Commissioners approved item # 13, the Sheriff's Office request to approve additional funding [increase of \$70,000.00, 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

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associated with Internet Crimes Against Children investigations for the retroactive grant period of 7/1/19 through 8/31/20.

December 11, 2018, the Board of County Commissioners approved item # 11.H.5, the Sheriff's Office request to approve an additional funding increase of [\$69,077.00, no match required] 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 7/1/17 through 8/31/19.

On November 28, 2017, the Board of County Commissioners approved item # 9.J.1, the Sheriff's Office request to funding of a grant award [\$60,000, no match required] 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 7/1/17 through 9/30/18.

On April 11, 2017, the Board of County Commissioners approved item # 5.D., the Sheriff's Office request to supplemental funding of a grant award [\$2,857.35, no match required] 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 10/1/14 through 6/30/17.

On November 29, 2016, the Board of County Commissioners approved item # 6.J.4., the Sheriff's Office request to funding of a grant award [\$57,000.00, no match required] 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 10/1/14 through 6/30/17.

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, travel, and training 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 internet crimes against children.

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

**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:** \$70,009.00

**Grant Period:** 10/01/2020 – 09/30/2021

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

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

**CFDA Number:** 16.543

**Grant ID Number:** 2020-MC-FX-K011

**Match Amount and Type:** No Match

**Sub-Awards and Contracts:** Equipment will be purchased using Washoe County grant procurement processes compliant with 2 *CFR* 200.317-200.326.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Should the Board accept this grant award and approve these amendments, the FY21 Sheriff's Office adopted budget will be increased by \$70,009.00 in both revenues and expenditures in the following accounts:

<b>Cost Object</b>	<b>G/L Account</b>	<b>Amount</b>
IO 11802 FY20 ICAC	431100 – Federal Grants	\$70,009.00
IO 11802 FY20 ICAC	710300 - Overtime	\$23,764.00
IO 11802 FY20 ICAC	711210- Travel	\$12,045.00
IO 11802 FY20 ICAC	710300 - Operating Supplies	\$22,400.00
IO 11802 FY20 ICAC	710519 – Cellular Phone	\$1,800.00
IO 11802 FY20 ICAC	710509 – Seminars and Meetings	\$10,000.00

- No Match
- Reimbursement
  - Upfront cash from General Funds

- No indirect costs expenses were included in the submitted grant requests. All funds awarded through the grant will be directed to meet the specific project goals and enhance public safety.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners 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 and if approved, authorize Sheriff Balaam to execute award documentation, and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments.

### **POSSIBLE MOTION**

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "move 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 and if approved, authorize Sheriff Balaam to execute award documentation, and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments."