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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: November 18, 2025

DATE: Friday, October 17, 2025

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Francisco Gamboa Lieutenant, Special Operations Division
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THROUGH: Darin Balaam, Sheriff

SUBJECT: Recommendation to accept a fiscal year 2025 High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Northern Nevada Interdiction Task Force grant award amount not to exceed [\$60,000.00, no County match required] as administered from the Las Vegas Metro Police Department, Federal project number HID1825G0495-00, for overtime, investigative, and travel expenses from HIDTA for the retroactive grant period of January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2026; authorize the Sheriff to retroactively execute the award document; and direct Finance to make the necessary budget amendments. Sheriff. (All Commission Districts.) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

SUMMARY

This item is presented seeking approval to accept the grant award from the Nevada High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Task Force as administered through the Las Vegas Metro Police Department.

Per County policy, the Washoe Board of County Commissioners must accept grant awards and must approve amendments to the adopted fiscal year budget and direct Finance to make the necessary budget amendments.

This funding is received from the United States Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) and awarded to the Las Vegas Metro Police Department and made available to agencies across the State. These funds will be used to cover overtime, investigative, and travel expenses for participation of the Washoe County Sheriff's Office in the Northern Nevada Interdiction Task Force as part of the Nevada High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Task Force. The mission of the HIDTA program is to disrupt the market for illegal drugs in the United States by assisting federal, state, and local law enforcement entities participating in the HIDTA program to dismantle and disrupt drug trafficking organizations.

Las Vegas Metro Police Department is the designated fiscal agent and prepares the reimbursement claims for task force operations for the federal funding awarded to the State of Nevada. The full award amount of \$100,000.00 is available for use by the Northern Nevada Interdiction Task Force, with \$60,000.00 of this allocated to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office for task force operations.

AGENDA ITEM # _____

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Vulnerable Populations:
Support vulnerable populations with a regional approach

PREVIOUS ACTION

On September 10, 2024, the Board of County Commissioners approved Item 6.G.2., \$100,000.00 of FY24 HIDTA Northern Nevada Interdiction Task Force funding from Nevada HIDTA as administered through the Las Vegas Metro Police Department for overtime, investigative, and travel expenses.

On August 15, 2023, the Board of County Commissioners approved Item 5.I.3., \$82,000.00 of FY22 HIDTA Northern Nevada Interdiction Task Force funding from Nevada HIDTA as administered through the Las Vegas Metro Police Department for overtime, investigative, and travel expenses.

On May 16, 2023, the Board of County Commissioners approved Item 6.D.5., \$100,000.00 of FY23 HIDTA Northern Nevada Interdiction Task Force funding from Nevada HIDTA as administered through the Las Vegas Metro Police Department for overtime, investigative, and travel expenses.

On December 14, 2021, the Board of County Commissioners approved Item 10.K.2., \$90,000.00 of FY21 HIDTA Northern Nevada Interdiction Task Force funding from Nevada HIDTA as administered through the Las Vegas Metro Police Department for overtime, investigative, and travel expenses.

The Board has been approving funding for the HIDTA Northern Nevada Interdiction Task Force since 2008.

BACKGROUND

The mission of the HIDTA program is to disrupt the market for illegal drugs in the United States by assisting federal, state, and local law enforcement entities participating in the HIDTA program in the dismantling and disruption of drug trafficking organizations. Washoe County became part of Northern Nevada HIDTA Task Force in the fall of 2006, when the Board formally approved the Washoe County Sheriff's participation by way of interlocal agreement on November 13, 2006.

Las Vegas Metro Police Department acts as the fiscal agent and administers the State of Nevada HIDTA award. This grant will fund overtime and investigative expenses incurred while conducting highway, bus, and train drug interdiction and travel expenses for HIDTA related training and/or meetings.

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

GRANT AWARD SUMMARY

Project/Program Name: *FY25 HIDTA NNITF*

Scope of the Project: *The mission of the HIDTA program is to disrupt the market for illegal drugs in the United States.*

Benefit to Washoe County Residents: *Increase safety and security of the community.*

On-Going Program Support: *Washoe County Sheriff's Office will continue dedicating deputies to the HIDTA task force.*

Award Amount: \$60,000.00

Grant Period: 1/1/25 – 12/31/26

Funding Source: *United States Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP)*

Pass Through Entity: *Las Vegas Metro Police Department*

Assistance Listing #/CFDA: 95.001

Grant ID Number: *HID1825G0495-00, HNNITF25-3001706*

Match Amount and Type: *None*

Sub-Awards and Contracts: *None*

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the board accept this grant award and approve these amendments, the FY26 Washoe County Sheriff's Office adopted budget will be increased by \$60,000.00 in both revenues and expenditures in the following accounts:

Cost Object & Description	G/L Account & Description	Amount
IO-12597 FY25 HIDTA NNITF	431100 – Federal Grants	\$60,000.00
IO-12597 FY25 HIDTA NNITF	701300 – Overtime	\$44,190.00
IO-12597 FY25 HIDTA NNITF	711210 – Travel	\$9,000.00
IO-12597 FY25 HIDTA NNITF	710300 – Operating Supplies	\$6,810.00

- No match required
- Indirect costs are not allowable on this grant award

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners accept a fiscal year 2025 High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Northern Nevada Interdiction Task Force grant award [amount not to exceed \$60,000.00, no County match required] as administered from the Las Vegas Metro Police Department, Federal project number HID1825G0495-00, for overtime, investigative, and travel expenses from HIDTA for the retroactive grant period of January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2026; authorize the Sheriff to retroactively execute the award document; and 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 a fiscal year 2025 High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Northern Nevada Interdiction Task Force grant award [amount not to exceed \$60,000.00, no County match required] as administered from the Las Vegas Metro Police Department, Federal project number HID1825G0495-00, for overtime, investigative, and travel expenses from HIDTA for the retroactive grant period of January 1, 2025 through

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