



TOWN OF APPLE VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

To: Honorable Mayor and Town Council **Date:** December 11, 2012
From: Marc Puckett, Assistant Town Manager **Item No:** 18
Finance & Administration
Finance Department
Subject: SUPPLEMENTAL LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES FUNDS
(SLESF – COPS GRANT)
T.M. Approval: _____ **Budgeted Item:** Yes No N/A

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Town Council;

- 1) Conduct the required public hearing, and
- 2) Adopt the attached Resolution No. 2012-54 accepting the COPS grant in the amount of \$112,615 and authorizing the allocation of the funds to the FY 2012-13 Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Funds (SLESF) to supplement the Juvenile Officer positions.

SUMMARY:

The State of California has provided supplemental funding to local law enforcement agencies through continuation of funding for the Citizen's Option for Public Safety (COPS) Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Fund (SLESF) grant program. These funds are distributed by the State to the County which passes through the funding to local agencies proportionally based on population. However, each agency is to be allocated a minimum of \$100,000.

In order to receive COPS funds, the Town Council is required to hold a public hearing to consider the requested use of the funds pursuant to Government Code Section 30061(c). Upon closure of the public hearing, the Council must then authorize the acceptance and use of the funds.

Each year, these funds have been used to supplement the Juvenile Officer position which was one of two officer positions added as a result of the initial grant program. Staff again is recommending that Council authorize the acceptance and use of the COPS

funds to supplement the Juvenile Officer position. This year, the Town is scheduled to receive \$112,615 plus interest, which is a 14.8% decrease from last year's allocation of \$132,207. This year's allocation will provide sufficient funding for the continuation of the existing program.

The attached Resolution No. 2012-54 will implement the recommended action accepting the COPS grant in the amount of \$112,615 and authorizing the allocation of the funds to the FY 2012-13 Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Funds (SLESF) to supplement the Juvenile Officer positions.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:

No alternatives were considered.

FISCAL REVIEW:

Pursuant to the COPS grant agreement, the Town will receive \$112,615, which is a 14.8% decrease from the level of funding received in FY 2011-2012. All funds received pursuant to this grant are proposed to be allocated to supplement the Juvenile Officer positions.

LEGAL REVIEW:

The attached resolution has been reviewed and approved as to form.

CONCLUSION:

Staff recommends that Council conduct the required public hearing and adopt the attached Resolution No. 2012-54 to formally receive the grant and appropriate the FY 2012-13 Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Funds (SLESF) to supplement the Juvenile Officer positions.

ATTACHMENTS:

Resolution No. 2012-54

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-54

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ALLOCATION OF FY 2012-2013 SUPPLEMENTAL LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICE FUNDS (SLESF) TO SUPPLEMENT FUNDING FOR THE JUVENILE OFFICER POSITIONS

WHEREAS, the State of California has extended legislation providing for Supplemental Law Enforcement Service Funds (SLESF) for the Citizens Option for Public Safety (COPS) program; and

WHEREAS, the funds are to be used to supplement front line municipal police services; and

WHEREAS, the Police Chief recommends that SLESF funds for FY 2012-2013 be used to supplement funding for the juvenile officer positions; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on December 11, 2012, regarding the use of SLESF funds for FY 2012-2013.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council hereby authorizes the allocation of FY 2012-2013 Supplemental Law Enforcement Service Funds in the estimated amount of \$112,615 plus interest to supplement funding for the juvenile officer positions.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 11th day of December, 2012 by the Town Council of the Town of Apple Valley.

Mayor

ATTEST:

LaVonda Pearson, Town Clerk