

CITY OF SANTA ROSA
CITY COUNCIL

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
FROM: JOHN CREGAN, CHIEF OF POLICE
SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDING FROM THE PROPOSITION 47
(PROP 47) GRANT PROGRAM

AGENDA ACTION: RESOLUTION

RECOMMENDATION

The Police Department recommends that the Council, by resolution: 1) accept grant funds in the amount of \$1,693,820 from the Board State and Community Corrections (BSCC) through the Proposition 47 Grant Program; 2) approve a Standard Agreement with the State of California Department of General Services; 3) authorize the City Manager or designee to execute award documents and any additional documents for administration of the grant; and 4) authorize the Chief Financial Officer to appropriate \$1,693,820 of grant funds to a project key. This item has no impact on current fiscal year budget.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On June 18, 2025, the Santa Rosa Police Department (SRPD) applied to the BSCC for the Proposition 47 Grant Program. On September 11, 2025, SRPD received a notification of an award in the amount of \$1,693,820.00 for the project period October 1, 2025, to June 30, 2029, to enhance the inRESPONSE Mental Health Support Team by expanding the program to provide health navigation and Medi-Cal and other health insurance benefits education and support, to encourage active engagement treatment and prevention programs. This funding will help to address critical gaps in healthcare access, mental health services, and supportive resources for individuals with mental health and/or substance use disorders, who are underserved and/or experiencing homelessness in Santa Rosa. Additionally, the system navigators will work seven days a week and follow up on all crisis van contacts within 72-hours. This key responsibility is required for Medi-Cal billing and to secure future funding from the County of Sonoma.

GOAL

This item relates to Council Goal #1 - Achieve and Maintain Budgeting Excellence and Fiscal Stability by providing additional funding from BSCC.

BACKGROUND/PRIOR COUNCIL REVIEW

Proposition 47 was a voter-approved initiative on the November 2014 general election ballot. The Safe Neighborhoods and Schools Act ensures that prison spending is focused on violent and serious offenses, to maximize alternatives for nonserious, nonviolent crime, and to invest the savings generated from this act into prevention and support programs in K–12 schools, victim services, and mental health and drug treatment.

The Police Department applied for grant funding from the BSCC through Prop 47 Grant Program to participate in this program. This additional funding will allow inRESPONSE to support mental health and substance use treatment engagement to divert individuals away from the criminal justice system and invest in community-based services that promote health and stability.

ANALYSIS

- Accepting this grant funding will allow the Santa Rosa Police Department to address the needs and vulnerabilities of those who are experiencing a mental health crisis and ensure that all services are trauma-informed, person-centered, culturally responsive and inclusive. The funds will help ensure future funding for the sustainability of the inRESPONSE program.
- There are no requirements for cost match, and therefore, the award will have no adverse impact on the Department's Operating Budget.

FISCAL IMPACT

Approval of this action does not have a fiscal impact on the General Fund.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378, the proposed action is not a "project" subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it does not have a potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment. In the alternative, the proposed action is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the project may have a significant effect on the environment.

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Not applicable.

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NOTIFICATION

Not applicable.

ATTACHMENTS

- Resolution
- Exhibit A – Standard Agreement

PRESENTER(S)

John Cregan, Police Chief