

Item # 8-1A

**City of Carson City
Agenda Report**

Date Submitted: July 7, 2009 **Agenda Date Requested:** July 16, 2009
Time Requested: Consent Agenda

To: Mayor and Supervisors
From: Carson City Sheriff's Office

Subject Title: Action to approve the acceptance of the Office of Criminal Justice Assistance Grant, Suppression/Investigation – Special Operations Unit in the amount of \$64,806.00.

Staff Summary: The Office of Criminal Justice Assistance administers grant funds to state and local units of government for a wide variety of programs to improve the criminal justice system. The Carson City Sheriff's Office implements a common law enforcement strategy of suppression, intervention and prevention to reduce gang activity and illegal narcotics use and trafficking. These strategies are also listed in a national model set forth in the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Comprehensive Gang Model and are components of community policing. This grant will provide funding to implement suppression efforts which will strengthen our prevention and intervention services. Suppression efforts include arrest, imprisonment and surveillance.

Type of Action Requested: (check one)
 Resolution Ordinance
 Formal Action/Motion Other (Specify)

Does This Action Require A Business Impact Statement: Yes No

Recommended Board Action: I move to approve the acceptance of the Office of Criminal Justice Assistance Grant, Suppression/Investigation – Special Operations Unit in the amount of \$64,806.00.

Explanation for Recommended Board Action: Carson City continues to show an increase of substance abuse, particularly of methamphetamine, and gang related incidents such as graffiti, property damage, petit larceny and violent fights which have included stabbings and shooting incidents. The Carson City Sheriff's Office is implementing unified teams that use multi-faceted approaches to address methamphetamine and gang issues. Through this funding opportunity, the Carson City Sheriff's Office proposes to 1) intensify suppression efforts through surveillance, 2) increase intelligence gathering related to gangs, gang members and individuals involved in narcotics and methamphetamine trafficking, and 3) through the acquisition of protected equipment, ensure the safety of the Special Operations Unit.

Applicable Statute, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation: N/A

Fiscal Impact: No fiscal impact. The grant provides funding for overtime and equipment.