REPORT TO COUNCIL
City of Sacramento

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Consent
October 16, 2007

Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

Title: Grant: FY2007/08 Gang Resistance Education and Training (GREAT) Program

Location/Council District: Schools in Sacramento City Unified, Natomas Unified, and North Sacramento School Districts; All Council Districts.

Recommendation: Adopt a **Resolution**: 1) authorizing acceptance of $134,953 in grant funding from the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice, and 2) increasing the Police Department's Grant Operating and Grant Revenue budgets in an amount of $149,948.

Contact: Sylvia Moir, Lieutenant, 808-0866

Presenters: Not applicable

Department: Police

Division: Fiscal Operations

Organization No: 2112

Description/Analysis

Issue: Staff recommends adoption of a resolution to accept grant funding from the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice,to continue teaching of the Gang Resistance Education and Training (GREAT) curriculum in elementary and middle schools in the Sacramento City Unified School District, the Natomas Unified School District, and the North Sacramento School District.

Policy Considerations: Accepting this funding is consistent with past practices of using grant funding to increase law enforcement and community safety.

Environmental Considerations: This activity is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it does not constitute a "project" as defined in section 15378 of the CEQA Guidelines, and is otherwise exempt pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) (no significant effect on the environment) of the CEQA Guidelines

Rationale for Recommendation: The GREAT program is a life-skills competency program designed to provide students with the skills they need to avoid gang pressure and youth violence. The Sacramento Police Department (SPD) has successfully managed the GREAT program and taught the GREAT curriculum since 1999. During the FY02005/06 grant period, SPD implemented the middle school component of the GREAT program. During the FY2006/07 grant period, SPD increased the number of GREAT instructors from 11 to 21, expanded instruction to include both elementary and middle school students, and partnered with Kops & Kids to increase the quantity and improve the quality of the week-long summer camp GREAT program activities. These activities increased the number of school-aged children who graduated from the GREAT program by more than 200 percent.

Financial Considerations: The SPD has received $149,948 in FY2007/08 GREAT grant funding. The SPD will use this funding to increase the number of GREAT instructors to at least 28, continue to expand instruction to 4th and 5th graders, continue to partner with Kops & Kids to increase our number of school-aged children who will graduate from the GREAT program, and implement a mountain biking program.

The FY2007/08 GREAT grant requires a minimum 10% match. The City's match for this grant will be $14,995, or 10.00% of the total project cost of $149,948. Per account E286 the match will be provided by the Sacramento City Unified School District. (Agreement 2001-127). The district will allot funds for the time officers spend implementing the GREAT curriculum. Total expenditures, including grant and local match, are as follows:

Budget Category	Amount
Personnel	$ 78,612
Benefits	14,534
Travel	22,634
Supplies	19,968
Other	14,200
TOTAL	**$149,948**

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD): Purchase of supplies and equipment will be made in accordance with the City's Emerging Small Business Development program requirements whenever possible.

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Respectfully Submitted by: _____
Sylvia Moir, Lieutenant

Approved by: _____
Albert Nájera
Chief of Police

Recommendation Approved:

for _____
Ray Kerridge
City Manager

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ATTACHMENT 1

Background:

The GREAT program is a life-skills competency program designed to provide students with the skills they need to avoid gang pressure and youth violence. GREAT's violence prevention curriculum helps students develop values and practice behaviors that will help them to avoid destructive activities. The goal of the GREAT program is to train law enforcement officers in a school-based curriculum in which the officers provide instruction to school-aged children in life-skill competencies, gang awareness, and anti-violence techniques.

The SPD has successfully managed the GREAT program and taught the GREAT curriculum since 1999. Sustainability of the GREAT program in Sacramento is founded upon the collaborative partnerships among local law enforcement, the local school districts, and the community-based organizations Another Choice, Another Chance and La Familia Counseling Center. SPD strongly embraces the GREAT program and regards it as an essential component in directing our youth away from gangs, crime, and violence.

During FY2005/06, SPD implemented the middle school component of the GREAT program in three school districts: The Natomas Unified School District, the North Sacramento School District, and the Sacramento City Unified School District. The Department employed the following strategies:

- Facilitated collaborative partnerships among SPD, the individual campus principals, numerous other law enforcement agencies and community based non-profit organizations.
- Added four more officers to our cadre of GREAT instructors. Eleven officers currently teach GREAT on their days off to 6th, 7th, and 8th graders, focusing on schools with the worst gang problems.
- Partnered with a non-profit organization to offer a week-long summer camp called Kops & Kids, providing a safe environment for more than 300 kids in 2005. GREAT students are given priority registration for this activity.

In the FY2006/07 grant program, SPD implemented and/or advanced the elementary, middle school, and summer components of the GREAT program in the following ways:

- Training every school resource officer as a GREAT instructor, which increased the total number of GREAT instructors from 11 to 21.
- Expanding instruction to 4th and 5th graders at schools identified as highest risk.
- Using grant funds to increase the quantity and improve the quality of Kops & Kids activities. Even though the Kops & Kids summer camp has provided more than 4,500 kids with the opportunity to interact with positive role models from the police and fire services since 1986, the non-profit

organization that funds the Kops & Kids struggles to raise the financial resources needed to create relevant and exciting activities.

- By increasing the number of GREAT instructors to 21, expanding instruction to 4th and 5th graders, and partnering with Kops & Kids, SPD was able to increase its impact by raising the number of students who are exposed to GREAT from 400 each school year to more than 1,320. This represents a 230% increase in the number of school-aged children who graduated from the GREAT program each year.

In the FY 2007/08 grant year, SPD intends to continue to advance all components of the GREAT program, including elementary, middle school, summer and family components, in the following ways:

- By increasing the number of GREAT instructors to at least 28.
- Continuing to increase the exposure of the GREAT components to students and increase the number of students graduating from the GREAT program.
- Implementing a mountain biking program which will introduce the students to a fun, non-traditional activity while administering tools such as mentoring and teamwork.
- Hosting a GREAT program summer camp in collaboration with the Kops & Kids Program. Summer camp is one week, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. More than 300 children attended the Summer 2007 camp at Hiram Johnson High School. Kids participate in team building exercises, sports programs and GREAT classes. They also receive lunch. Transportation is provided to and from many of the various neighborhoods throughout Sacramento.

RESOLUTION NO. XXXX-XXX

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

October 16, 2007

FY2007/08 GANG RESISTANCE EDUCATION AND TRAINING (GREAT) GRANT

BACKGROUND

A. The Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, United States Department of Justice, which provides funding to local City and County law enforcement agencies for public safety purposes has awarded $134,953 in funding to the Sacramento Police Department (SPD) through the FY2007/08 Gang Resistance Education and Training (GREAT) grant. The grant period began on June 1, 2007 and runs through May 31, 2008. Because the Department of Justice does not permit the SPD to run two grant years concurrently, the Department received an extension for its FY2006/07 grant through February 28, 2008. As soon as the extension expires, the FY2007/08 grant will commence.

B. Acceptance of the grant requires a minimum 10% match. The City's match for this grant will be $14,995, or 10.00% of the total project cost of $149,948. The match will be paid from revenue received from school districts from E286 in Fund 255 and includes the cost of three (3) School Resource Officers to work 60 hours each during the GREAT program summer camp.

C. The SPD will use this funding to increase the number of GREAT instructors to at least 28, continue to expand instruction to 4th and 5th graders, continue to partner with Kops & Kids to increase our number of school-aged children who will graduate from the GREAT program, and implement a mountain biking program.

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Manager, or his designated representative, is hereby authorized on behalf of the City of Sacramento, to accept Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, United States Department of Justice, funds in the amount of $134,953, including any extensions or amendments thereto, and to use this funding to continue and improve teaching of the Gang Resistance Education and Training (GREAT) curriculum in elementary and middle schools in the Sacramento City Unified School District, the Natomas Unified School District, and the North Sacramento School District.

Section 2. The Grant Operating Expense and Revenue budgets shall be amended as follows:

Grant Revenue Budget:

255-OGR-GXXX-3513	Grant Revenue Budget	$134,953
	TOTAL GRANT REVENUE	$134,953

Grant Expenditure Budget:

255-OGR-GXXX-41XX	Personnel	$ 78,612
255-OGR-GXXX-41XX	Benefits	14,534
255-OGR-GXXX-42XX	Travel	22,634
255-OGR-GXXX-44XX	Supplies	19,968
255-OGR-GXXX-4XXX	Other	14,200
255-OGR-GXXX-4333	Grant Match (In-Kind)	(14,995)
	SUBTOTAL EXPENSES	$134,953
255-EFP-E286-4716		(14,995)
255-EFP-E286-4334		14,995
	TOTAL GRANT EXPENDITURE	$134,953