



# COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

## AGENDA ITEM

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**DATE:** April 30, 2024

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

### SUBJECT

#### **SHERIFF – LAW ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE GROSSMONT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (DISTRICT: 2)**

### OVERVIEW

On December 8, 2020 (4), the Board of Supervisors approved a five-year law enforcement services agreement between the County of San Diego and the Grossmont Union High School District (GUHSD) to cover the costs of assigning six deputies, classified as School Resource Officers (SROs) to the district's campuses. The agreement is designed to decrease violence and crime on school campuses, decrease drug use and gang activity among students, and improve school attendance. The agreement will expire on June 30, 2024.

The GUHSD's Board of Education has requested that the Sheriff's Department renew the agreement to continue law enforcement services on its campuses which includes assigning six SROs to the district's campuses. This is a request to approve a five-year law enforcement agreement between the County of San Diego, through the Sheriff's Department, and the GUHSD for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2029 and to waive Board Policy B-29 requirement for full cost recovery.

### RECOMMENDATION(S)

#### SHERIFF

1. Approve and authorize the Clerk of the Board to accept and execute, upon receipt, a five-year revenue agreement between the County of San Diego and the Grossmont Union High School District to cover the costs of assigning six School Resource Officers to the campuses for the agreement period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2029.
2. Authorize the Sheriff to execute any extensions, amendments, or revisions thereto that do not materially impact either the program or funding level.
3. Waive Board Policy B-29 – Fees, Grants, Revenue Contracts – Department Responsibility for Cost Recovery which requires full cost recovery.

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**EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

This request for law enforcement services for the Grossmont Union High School District is meant to increase the quality of life and safety of the students, staff, and visitors to the high schools and related facilities. The law enforcement deputies will provide public safety to mitigate and prevent criminal activity on school campuses and will be the primary response to any incidents and criminal issues that may arise.

**SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Today's request furthers the County's Sustainability Goal of protecting the health and well-being of everyone in the region with a focus on collaborating with community partners.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2024-25 CAO Recommended Operational Plan for the Sheriff's Department. If approved, this request will result in Fiscal Year 2024-25 estimated costs of \$2,392,524 and revenue of \$1,654,780. The funding sources are Grossmont Union High School District (\$1,654,780) and General Purpose Revenue budgeted in the Sheriff's Department (\$737,744). GUHSD will fund 100% of two deputies and 50% of the remaining four deputies. Cost and revenue amounts will be adjusted during the term of the agreement as a result of negotiated salary increases and other adjustments or service level changes. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**ADVISORY BOARD STATEMENT**

N/A

**BACKGROUND**

On December 8, 2020 (4), the Board of Supervisors approved a five-year law enforcement agreement between the County of San Diego, through the Sheriff's Department, and the Grossmont Union High School District (GUHSD). The agreement will expire on June 30, 2024.

GUHSD requests to renew their agreement with the County of San Diego Sheriff's Department, to continue to provide law enforcement services on its school campuses. The GUHSD Board of Education has approved the funding for six positions. This agreement will allow the Sheriff's Department to maintain six School Resource Officers (SROs), requested by GUHSD to work on its campuses for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2029.

Two of the six SROs are funded entirely by GUHSD. Costs of the other four SROs are split equally between the GUHSD and the County, with each paying 50% under the SRO program. These SROs are assigned to GUHSD all year.

A waiver of Board Policy B-29 - Fees, Grants, Revenue Contracts is requested because the contract with GUHSD does not fully recover all costs to the County. GUHSD provides 100% funding for two SROs and 50% of the funding for four SROs on approximately 186 school days, with the remaining costs funded by the County of San Diego.

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The continued presence of SROs within the GUHSD will help foster communication and awareness about safety with school administrators, students, parents, and other community members. It will also improve school attendance, and decrease the potential for violence, crime, drug use and gang activity on school campuses.

**LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Today's proposed actions support the Community Strategic Initiative of the County of San Diego's 2024-29 Strategic Plan by supporting the safety of all communities, including the protection from crime and the availability of emergency response through directly providing law enforcement services to the Grossmont Union High School District which helps to ensure a safer environment on school campuses for students, staff, and the surrounding communities.

Respectfully submitted,



KELLY A. MARTINEZ  
Sheriff

**ATTACHMENT(S)**

N/A