COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

MEMORANDUM

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AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009

The $787 billion federal economic stimulus package, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act or ARRA) was passed by Congress and signed into law by President Obama on February 17, 2009.

In order to allow the County to take advantage of opportunities to seek economic stimulus funds, on March 3 and 4 of this year, your Board directed County staff to apply for and accept grant awards which would further the County's strategic initiatives. Additionally, the Chief Administrative Officer was directed to report the status of awards and funding results from the Recovery Act to the Board of Supervisors. This memo serves as the second such report on the County of San Diego's ARRA activities.

TASKFORCE

The County's interdepartmental taskforce continues to devote substantial time and effort to the monitoring and tracking of Recovery Act sources of funds, conditions of funding, timing on the availability of funds, internal controls, and compliance and reporting requirements. The taskforce consists of team members from each of the departments receiving Recovery Act funds and finance, budget, procurement and legal staff.

COMPLIANCE AND TRAINING

The County of San Diego takes its responsibility to taxpayers seriously, and therefore, is committed to tracking and reporting the progress of County economic stimulus related activities to ensure transparency and accountability, and to follow the federal and state guidelines that continue to be established. Taskforce subgroups continue to review grant proposals, check County compliance with grant and Recovery Act requirements, and assess the system of internal controls for the tracking and monitoring of County Recovery Act funds.

Staff members continue to participate on conference calls, webinars, and in workshops. They communicate with federal and state departments to seek clarification on eligibility and reporting guidelines. Additionally, members of the taskforce have provided training for County employees on grant writing, compliance, internal controls, and the tracking and monitoring of Recovery Act funds. Such trainings will continue to be provided for staff. Currently, two Recovery Act-related trainings (Overview of the Recovery Act and Fraud Awareness) are available to County employees through the Learning Management System (LMS), and County staff members working on Recovery Act grants have been designated to take these trainings. In January, four trainings will be accessible enterprise-wide through the County's LMS: (1) Overview of the Recovery Act, (2) Fraud Awareness, (3) Grant Seeking (how to identify applicable grants, elements of a grant proposal), and (4) Grant Administration (authority, roles and responsibilities once a grant or contract has been signed).

WEB SITE AND MEDIA COVERAGE

The County is committed to providing the public with transparency and accountability, tracking economic stimulus funds that it is seeking, and the details and progress of funded projects. To that end, the County's Recovery Act Web site, www.recoverysdcounty.org, is a clearinghouse for County of San Diego activities related to the Recovery Act.

The Web site provides descriptions of Recovery Act awards granted and sought by the County, the amount of Recovery Act funds associated with each award, the status of the awards, information on procurement opportunities, and a means by which waste, fraud or abuse can be reported. The Web site is updated on a weekly basis to provide the public with current information on the County's activities, and more frequently if information is of an immediate nature.

Since the Web site team began tracking statistics on the site at the end of September, it has had about 720 visits and more than 2,200 page views. Local print and broadcast media outlets have covered several positive stories about the County's stimulus-related projects, resulting in more than 20 media hits. Recovery Act-related press releases, photos and videos are available for the public to see on the County's main Web site as well as the Recovery Web site, and are also posted on the County's social media sites, such as Twitter, Facebook and YouTube.

STATUS OF GRANT AWARDS

The County of San Diego is receiving and seeking Recovery Act funds for a range of projects in the following areas:

- Housing & Communities
- Health & Human Services
- Infrastructure & Technology
- Public Safety
- Energy & Environment
- Training

There are a variety of funding streams for the distribution of Recovery Act funds. The County may receive direct allocations from federal agencies, seek formula or competitive grants at the federal and/or state levels, receive formula allocations or pass-through dollars from the state, or obtain indirect funds from regional organizations such as the San Diego Association of Governments. The Recovery Act also provides opportunities for County residents, non-profit organizations, businesses, and other local entities to benefit from economic stimulus funding not administered by the County.

The County of San Diego anticipates receiving over $70 million in ARRA funds and is actively pursuing competitive grants. To date, the County has submitted over $160 million in competitive grant proposals, of which the status of $62 million is still pending. Below is a synopsis of awards the County of San Diego has been granted, anticipates receiving, and is seeking. A list of the awards granted and sought, which is updated weekly, is also available on the County's Recovery Web site at www.recoverysdcounty.org.

Housing and Communities

Through economic stimulus formula allocations, the County will facilitate homelessness prevention activities, provide energy efficient public housing capital improvements, and use Community Development Block Grant dollars to address needs in the community.

ARRA Public Housing Capital Fund Formula Grants

On March 18, 2009, the Housing Authority of the County of San Diego received $198,005 from the Capital Fund Formula Grant which must be used for public housing capital improvements with an emphasis on energy conservation. This Capital Fund Formula Grant will be used for energy efficient window replacement at 11 separate buildings at the Dorothy Street Public Housing Complex located in the City of Chula Vista. *Status:* A Job Order Contract (JOC 147/RFB 4237) was posted on BuyNet December 1, 2009 for this energy efficient window replacement project. Bids are scheduled to be opened December 22, 2009.

Community Development Block Grants (CDBG-R)

On August 27, 2009, the County of San Diego Department of Housing and Community Development (County HCD) received a total of $1,259,592 under CDBG-R. CDBG-R projects approved at the May 5, 2009 Board of Supervisors' meeting include: (1) Fire water tender for Warner Springs - $185,000 (2) Fire truck for Warner Springs - $475,000 (3) Sidewalk improvement in Casa De Oro - $196,205 (4) Set aside for Participating Cities - $277,428 (5) Project administration - $125,959. The Participating Cities have identified the following activities: City of Coronado - Affordable Rental Housing Solar Panel System, $42,455; City of Del Mar - ADA Sidewalk Ramp Improvements, $8,434; City of Imperial Beach - Sports Park Recreation Center Restroom Improvements, $63,170; City of Lemon Grove - Street Rehabilitation Project, $53,134; City of Poway - ADA Barrier Removal Project, $85,967; City of Solana Beach - Castro/Gonzales Street Sidewalks (Eden Gardens Master Plan Phase IV), $24,268.

County HCD and the Department of Public Works determined that the Dolores Street Sidewalks project (Casa De Oro) needed to be revised, as the anticipated road funds that were previously identified as leverage are no longer available due to state budget challenges. County HCD submitted two new fire equipment projects (Jacumba Water Tender-$185,000 and Warner Springs Equipment-$11,205) to the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on August 31, 2009, as the replacement for the Dolores Street project. On June 17, HUD advised County HCD that the City of Imperial Beach CDBG-R activity would need to be revised (Sports Park Recreation Center Restroom Improvements) and a new activity selected. The City of Imperial Beach now plans to use the $63,170 in CDBG-R funding for the Civic Center Crosswalk project. County HCD submitted this revised Imperial Beach project to HUD on June 30, 2009. *Status:* The Grant Agreement with HUD for CDBG-R funds was received August 27, 2009. County HCD has executed four participating city sub-recipient agreements and an MOU with the Department of Planning and Land Use for two of the four fire equipment projects. The other sub-recipient agreements will be executed shortly.

Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP)

On August 27, 2009, the County of San Diego received $1,925,974 under the HPRP. The County of San Diego's HPRP provides a strong collaboration with both the Housing Authority of the County

of San Diego and the San Diego County Office of Education, as sub-grantees of HPRP funding. The San Diego County Office of Education serves as the clearinghouse and central point of contact between the Housing Authority and already existing McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaisons that are currently providing case management services to families that are homeless or at risk of homelessness. Homeless Liaisons conduct outreach along with an initial standardized assessment to determine the type, level and duration of the rental assistance and services needed by each family. The Housing Authority administers a short-to-medium term tenant based rental assistance program for a period not to exceed 12 months. This assistance allows families to remain in their existing rental units or help them obtain rental housing of their choice allowing their children to remain in school. County HCD has also entered into a contract with the Regional Continuum of Care's HUD approved Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS) provider, another HPRP sub-grantee, for data collection and evaluation as required by the HPRP regulations and program guidelines. *Status:* The Grant Agreement with HUD for HPRP funds was received August 27, 2009. All three sub-grantee agreements have been executed, prior to the HUD deadline of September 30, 2009. Implementation of the County's HPRP began October 1, 2009. As of November 27, 2009, the County has seven HPRP participants.

Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP2)

HUD's Neighborhood Stabilization Program provides funding to assist in the redevelopment of abandoned and foreclosed homes. On July 9, 2009, County HCD submitted an NSP2 application to HUD requesting $5 million in funds for affordable housing homeownership, rehabilitation, development, and program administration activities. Proposed program target areas are eligible census tracks located throughout the County, as defined by HUD. *Status:* HUD advises that NSP2 award announcements are expected in December 2009.

Health and Human Services

The County of San Diego will receive Recovery Act funds for existing programs that provide elderly nutrition services and senior employment opportunities in the region. Economic stimulus funds are supporting a 13.6% increase in benefits for the region's food stamp recipients and Recovery Act funds will be used to enhance low income families' self sufficiency in the community. Increases in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentages (FMAP) formula allocations to the County will support programs that care for our community's adopted and foster children, persons who need aid in the home to remain independent, adults and children who require mental health services to remain self reliant, individuals who require 24-hour skilled nursing care, and others who fall under the auspices of the community's safety net. Stimulus funding has also become available for Alcohol and Drug Services, in partnership with County's Probation Department, to provide treatment and probation supervision of non-violent offenders sentenced under the Substance Abuse and Crime Prevention Act (Proposition 36).

Aging Nutrition

The County of San Diego will receive $722,846 over two years ($252,996 in FY 08/09; $469,850 in FY 09/10; 10% will be allocated to administration) from the Aging Nutrition Program which supports healthy aging by providing nutritionally sound meals, as well as socialization and activities to prevent isolation of seniors in the community. Twenty-two senior nutrition contractors will receive ARRA funds to supplement current funding that serves seniors (age 60 and older) home-delivered meals and provides opportunities for seniors to congregate. The funds will be used to assist with expenses of providing meals due to increased food and fuel costs, declining donations and increased need for free and low-cost food resources. *Status:* The County has received the allocation letter and is proceeding with the program.

Title V: Aging Employment

The County anticipates receiving $124,249 over two years ($24,958 in FY 08/09; $99,291 in FY 09/10; 8% will be allocated to administration) from the Aging Employment Program. Funding from the Recovery Act will supplement the existing senior employment program contract. This will create additional opportunities for the placement of low-income seniors (age 55 and older) in subsidized community service positions for employment experience. It will also reduce the current waiting list for services that has occurred as a result of reduced funding and increased unemployment. The senior employment program provides employment opportunities with the goal of transitioning participants to unsubsidized employment. *Status:* The County has received the allocation letter and is proceeding with the program.

Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)

The County's San Diego Community Action Partnership has received an allocation of $5.3 million in ARRA-Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) funds. CSBG funds will be used to enhance low income self-sufficiency in the community, in part by enabling individuals and families who meet the federal poverty level guidelines to overcome barriers to employment, and assist in eliminating behaviors that have resulted in dependency.

Proposed projects which will receive CSBG Recovery Act funds are anticipated to lead to the creation or retention of jobs within the community, through the following activities:

- Employment Supports and Training
- Education
- Better Use of Available Income
- Housing and Nutrition
- Emergency Services
- Refugee employment services
- Conflict resolution management skills
- Outreach and information

Status: These dollars will primarily augment six Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) contracts, which were fully executed in the amount of $2.5 million. Additionally, over $500,000 in conflict resolution management skills contracts were fully executed in November and December. Contracts for refugee employment services, as well as outreach and information, are anticipated to be finalized in December 2009 for approximately $1.5 million.

Federal Medical Assistance Percentages (FMAP): Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services - Medicaid Assistance for In-Home Supportive Services, Mental Health Services, Edgemoor, and Title XIX

FMAP formula allocations to the County over three years will support existing programs that provide assistance to persons who need aid in the home to remain independent, adults and children who require mental health services to remain self-reliant, individuals who require 24-hour skilled nursing care, and others who fall under the auspices of the community's safety net. The County anticipates $37.1 million over the three years ($12.1 million in FY 08/09; $17 million in FY 09/10; $8 million in FY 10/11). *Status:* $6.13 million received as of July 21, 2009 toward FY 08/09.

IV-E Assistance: Foster Care and Adoptive Parents

Title IV-E formula allocations to the County over three years will support existing programs that care for our community's adopted and foster children. The County anticipates $4.8 million over the three years ($1.6 million in FY 08/09; $2.1 million in FY 09/10; $1.1 million in FY 10/11). *Status:* $1.3 million received as of July 10, 2009 toward FY 08/09.

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or Food Stamps
California residents who are food stamp recipients are expected to receive about $1.5 billion in SNAP benefit increases. The increase remains in effect until the regular annual inflation adjustments to the program overtake the increases in the Recovery Act. The County will not be receiving these dollars; the 13.6% benefit increase will flow directly to the region's food stamp recipients. Local share is estimated at $120 million; $27 million in food stamps benefit increase annually based on current participation. *Status:* the 13.6% benefit increase for food stamp recipients became effective April 1, 2009.

Justice Assistance Grant: Offender Treatment Program
The County anticipates receiving $3,266,201 for the period of October 1, 2009 to March 31, 2011 ($1,477,823 in FY 09/10; $1,788,378 in FY 10/11; 5% will be allocated to administration) from the California Emergency Management Agency. Funding from the Recovery Act will supplement the treatment and probation supervision provided for Proposition 36 (Substance Abuse and Crime Prevention Act) offenders. This will create additional opportunities for residential and non-residential treatment services and reduce wait-times that have resulted from a significant funding reduction for this program. It will also provide resources for probation supervision of serious felons sentenced under the provisions of Proposition 36. *Status:* The County has received the allocation letter.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) – Communities Putting Prevention to Work
On December 1, 2009, the County submitted a grant application entitled, "Communities Putting Prevention to Work" for a total of $19.79 million. The grant addresses nutrition, physical activity and obesity prevention with a focus on systems, environmental and policy change. Interventions are required to align with the CDC's evidence-based strategies within each area: Media, Access, Point of Purchase and Promotion, and Price. The County's Health and Human Services Agency staff will participate in the interventions that will emphasize an intergenerational approach both within communities and schools; the grant will provide $4.96 million toward staff funding. Due to the rapid turnaround time for implementation, contracting partners may include both intergovernmental agreements and amendment of current contracts. Contracting partners could include: County Office of Education, University of California San Diego, San Diego Association of Governments, San Diego State University and Community Health Improvement Partners. *Status:* Application pending a decision on February 26, 2010. If awarded, the grant duration is 24 months.

Infrastructure and Technology
In order to address our community's transportation needs, the County of San Diego successfully advocated at the state level and the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) for the County and 18 cities to receive a minimum 40% sub-allocation of economic stimulus highway funds allocated to the region. SANDAG will be using the Recovery Act dollars for State Route 76 (SR-76)/Middle and Interstate 805 (I-805)/Carroll Canyon Road, and in return providing the County and cities TransNet funds (equivalent to a 40% allocation of highway stimulus funds). By infusing these dollars into local jurisdictions, the County and cities will be able to build a number of projects, with the goal of quickly stimulating the economy. In addition, the County received Recovery Act funds which were used to repair two aging taxiways at Gillespie Airport.

Airport Improvement Program: Gillespie Field Airport
On March 16, 2009, the County's Department of Public Works applied for a grant and was subsequently awarded $1,915,621 on June 15, 2009 from the Federal Aviation Administration through the Airport Improvement Program. These funds were used to repair two aging taxiways including shoulders and taxiway safety areas at Gillespie Field Airport. Work included reconstructing selected areas of failed pavement, milling, crack sealing, repairing taxiway

shoulders, island stabilization, paving, and striping. In addition, work within the taxiway throat areas and safety areas (TOFAs) were included. *Status:* Project is complete.

Highway Improvement Program – TransNet Dollars
The County's Department of Public Works was awarded $9,569,000 from SANDAG in lieu of ARRA highway transportation funding. These TransNet funds will be used for five County transportation projects, as follows:
(1) Jamacha Boulevard Traffic Signal Interconnect; in progress with completion scheduled for early 2010.
(2) Asphalt Resurfacing on various County Roads; in progress with completion scheduled for summer 2010.
(3) Bridge Deck Repair and Resurfacing on Various County Roads; project is complete.
(4) Culvert Repairs by Internal Paving on Various County Roads; project is complete.
(5) Culvert Rehabilitation by Installation of Lining on Various County Roads; in progress with completion scheduled for early 2010.

Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Discretionary Grant
On September 15, 2009, the County's Department of Public Works submitted a proposal to the US Department of Transportation seeking $30,150,000 to improve Bradley Avenue Interchange at State Route-67 (SR-67). This surface transportation infrastructure project involves improvements to Bradley Avenue and the interchange with SR-67 to alleviate traffic congestion. If funding is obtained, Bradley Avenue between Magnolia Avenue and North Mollison Avenue will be widened from two to four lanes. *Status:* The application is pending.

Assistance to Firefighters Program: Fire Station Construction
On July 10, 2009, the County's Department of Planning and Land Use submitted a proposal to the US Department of Homeland Security seeking $677,730 to upgrade the Sunshine Summit Volunteer Fire Station Facilities. *Status:* Funding for the project was not included in the first round of funding.

Public Safety
The County was awarded $7,424,685 in grant funds from the Department of Justice that are being used to support a variety of law enforcement functions. The funding will create or retain positions to support law enforcement programs that target gang activity, combat narcotics and border-related crimes, and enhance the supervision of certain probationers.

Combating Criminal Narcotics Activity Stemming from the Southern Border of the United States: Operation Vise Grip
On April 17, 2009, the County Sheriff's Department submitted a proposal under the Assistance for Law Enforcement Along the Southern Border and in High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas for $7,476,791. Funds were awarded in the amount of $4,999,996. This project establishes a Border Crime Suppression Team of Sheriff's Deputies, Detectives, and Forensic Analysts. The team increases uniformed patrols in border communities and expands collaboration with a local, state and federal narcotics and smuggling task force to identify and apprehend and/or deter those engaged in the smuggling of drugs, weapons, money, and human trafficking. Additionally, the team develops evidence linking firearms to border-related violent crimes in order to reduce crimes and violence along the border. The project also supports the County District Attorney's prosecutorial efforts of criminals responsible for border-related violence. During the first reporting period, project activity resulted in four felony arrests, 13 field interviews, and the seizure of 50 marijuana plants, five ounces of dried marijuana, various marijuana growing equipment, and 15.5 pounds of methamphetamine. *Status:* Funds were awarded on July 15, 2009.

Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Formula Program
On May 18, 2009, the County of San Diego and 16 cities submitted a joint application for the regional allocation. Recovery Act funds of $743,448 for this project restores Probation Department participation in the US Marshal's Fugitive Task Force and the Sex Crimes Task Force; thereby enhancing public safety by increasing Probation's ability to enforce court-ordered conditions of probation. This project increases collaboration between local and federal law enforcement agencies in order to target the most serious criminal activity. During the first reporting period, the Probation Department participated in three task force operations that focused on diminishing sex crimes and apprehending fugitives. The operations resulted in 36 searches and 25 arrests. *Status:* Funds were awarded on July 13, 2009. The County is a sub-recipient of the City of San Diego.

Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Formula Program: Street Narcotics/Gang Investigator Team
On May 18, 2009, the County of San Diego and 16 cities submitted a joint application for the regional allocation. Recovery Act funds of $238,043 for this project will augment the County Sheriff's Department participation in the Street/Narcotics Gang Detectives Team. The Team performs investigations relating to criminal activity involving gangs and street level narcotics violators within the City of Vista. *Status:* Funds were awarded on July 13, 2009. The County is a sub-recipient of the City of San Diego through the City of Vista.

Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Formula Program: East County Gang Suppression
On May 18, 2009, the County of San Diego and 16 cities submitted a joint application for the regional allocation. Recovery Act funds of $69,231 for this project will reinstate certain services, such as targeted patrols, provided by the County's Sheriff's Department to the East County Gang Suppression Team. *Status:* Funds were awarded on July 13, 2009. The County is a sub-recipient of the City of San Diego through the City of Lemon Grove.

Combating Criminal Narcotics Activity (CCNA) Stemming from the Southern Border of the United States: San Diego Regional Cross Border Violence Project
On April 17, 2009, the City of Chula Vista submitted an application for the CCNA Stemming from the Southern Border of the United States: San Diego Regional Cross Border Violence Project for $2,864,605. Of this amount, $585,014 will be allocated to the County Sheriff's Department to support the Sheriff's efforts in investigating cross border crimes, including drug trafficking, murder, kidnappings, extortions, and weapons trafficking. *Status*: Funds were awarded to the City of Chula Vista on July 15, 2009 and a MOU between the Sheriff's Department and the City of Chula Vista was signed on September 22, 2009. The County is a sub-recipient of the City of Chula Vista.

Combating Criminal Narcotics Activity (CCNA) Stemming from the Southern Border of the United States
On April 17, 2009, the City of Chula Vista submitted an application for the CCNA Stemming from the Southern Border of the United States program for $2,864,605. Of this amount, $788,953 will be allocated to the County District Attorney's Office to investigate and prosecute cross border crimes initiated by the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area task force and the Drug Enforcement Administration's Major Mexican Traffickers task force. *Status*: Funds were awarded to the City of Chula Vista on July 15, 2009 and a MOU between the District Attorney's Office and the City of Chula Vista was signed on October 16, 2009. The County is a sub-recipient of the City of Chula Vista.

California Emergency Management Agency: Office of Violence Against Women, Victim Witness Assistance

On August 5, 2009 the County District Attorney's Office submitted a proposal under the California Emergency Management Agency, Office of Violence Against Women, Victim Witness Assistance program for $30,576. The project will partially fund one position to respond to crime victims' emotional and physical needs; assist with stabilizing victims' lives; assist victims' understanding and participation in the criminal justice system; and provide victims with security measures such as boarding up broken windows and/or replacing locks. *Status*: The application is pending.

California Emergency Management Agency: Office of Victims of Crimes, Victim Witness Assistance

On August 5, 2009 the County District Attorney's Office submitted a proposal under the California Emergency Management Agency, Office of Victims of Crimes, Victim Witness Assistance program for $45,398. The project will partially fund one position to respond to crime victims' emotional and physical needs; assist with stabilizing victims' lives; assist victims' understanding and participation in the criminal justice system; and provide victims with security measures such as boarding up broken windows and/or replacing locks. *Status*: The application is pending.

Office of Violence Against Women STOP State Formula Grant (State Solicitation for Counties): Probation Specialized Units

On July 27, 2009 the County Probation Department submitted a proposal under the Office of Violence Against Women STOP State Formula Grant program for $258,590. The project will support intensive supervision of a small caseload of high-risk sex offenders on probation and will also be used to purchase 20 global position satellite units. *Status*: The application is pending.

US DOJ Mentoring Grant Program

The County's Department of Parks and Recreation (Parks) is partnering with a team comprised of several local cities and nonprofit groups, led by Healthy Adventures Foundation in seeking $900,000 in support of after-school and mentoring programs at Lakeside and Spring Valley Teen Centers. Parks, as a sub-grantee, would receive $640,000 of the total amount. The funding would be distributed over three years at the two centers and it would cover staffing costs to provide activities such as fitness, cooking, dance, leadership groups, guitar classes, video production, and much more. *Status:* The application is pending.

Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG): Evidence-Based Probation Supervision Program

On November 2, 2009, the California Emergency Management Agency released a Request for Application for $45 million in Recovery JAG funds to support the Evidence-Based Probation Supervision Program. The goal of this program is to provide evidence-based supervision, programs, or services to adult felon probationers to reduce the likelihood that they will commit new crimes or other violations. Funds will be distributed proportionately to qualifying counties and it is anticipated that San Diego County will receive an allocation of $3.4 million. The County Probation Department is in the process of preparing the application and project proposal for these funds. *Status:* The application deadline is December 31, 2009.

COPS Hiring Recovery Program

On April 14, 2009, the County Sheriff's Department submitted a proposal under the COPS Hiring Recovery Program for $9,550,100. This project would have hired law enforcement patrol officers in order to improve community safety and prevent crime through enhanced community policing. *Status:* The proposal was not selected for funding.

Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant Program: Transitional Case Management Unit
On April 27, 2009, the County's Probation Department submitted a proposal under the Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant Program for Transitional Case Management Unit for $3,326,879. The Transitional Case Management Unit project would have provided individualized case planning to offenders as they prepare to re-enter the community, and increased offender accountability and access to rehabilitative services after release. *Status:* The proposal was not selected for funding.

Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant Program: Combating Crime through Collaboration
On April 27, 2009, the County's Probation Department submitted a proposal under the Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant Program for Combating Crime through Collaboration for $749,792. This project would have expanded Probation Department participation in the regional gang task forces. These task forces increase communication and effectiveness of participating law enforcement agencies, including the Sheriff, District Attorney, Probation, local police departments, the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. *Status:* The proposal was not selected for funding.

Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant Program: Victims Advocacy and Restitution
On April 27, 2009, the County's Probation Department submitted a proposal under the Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant Program for Victims Advocacy and Restitution for $2,598,184. This project would have restored the Victim Advocacy and Restitution Team to provide information and resources to crime victims, and implement strategies to increase restitution payments collected on the victim's behalf. *Status:* The proposal was not selected for funding.

Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant Program: Mortgage Fraud Response Team
On April 27, 2009, the County District Attorney's Office submitted a proposal under the Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant Program for Mortgage Fraud Response Team for $2,872,584. This project would have implemented a Mortgage Fraud Response Team collaboration between District Attorney prosecutors, investigators, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The program would have increased the number of mortgage fraud prosecutions as well as provided community-based educational programs to prevent San Diego County residents from falling victim to unscrupulous mortgage practices. *Status:* The proposal was not selected for funding.

Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant Program: Community Storefront
On April 27, 2009, the County District Attorney's Office submitted a proposal under the Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant Program for Community Storefront for $488,940. This project would have developed a Community Prosecution Storefront to provide resources, and a neighborhood service-oriented location, for non-violent adult ex-offenders. Ex-offenders would have been able to receive reentry service referrals, meet with a probation officer, prosecutor, or service provider and attend classes, to reduce recidivism through targeted programs. *Status:* The proposal was not selected for funding.

Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant Program: Enhancing Forensic and Crime Scene Investigations
On April 27, 2009, the County Sheriff's Department submitted a proposal under the Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant Program for Enhancing Forensic and Crime Scene Investigations for $1,608,056. This project would have expanded the Sheriff's capacity to use forensic DNA technology to solve crimes, as well as exonerate defendants that are innocent of crimes. *Status:* The proposal was not selected for funding.

Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant Program: San Diego Gang Enforcement Collaborative
On April 27, 2009, the County Sheriff's Department submitted a proposal under the Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant Program for San Diego Gang Enforcement Collaborative for $2,401,434. The San Diego Gang Enforcement Collaborative project would have coordinated regional crime suppression efforts in the north, south, and east regions of the county with local and federal law enforcement and program partners. The program would have increased information sharing, crime suppression operations targeting violent and gang-related crime, and lead to more effective prosecutions of gang-related crimes. *Status:* The proposal was not selected for funding.

Energy and Environment
The County is anticipated to receive a formula allocation from the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) for activities promoting energy conservation and efficiency and reducing fossil fuel emissions. In addition, the County will be actively pursuing other energy efficiency and conservation funding opportunities such as the State Energy Program; and the Air Fuel Vehicle, Efficient Fuel Vehicle, and Vehicle Pollution Reduction Programs to purchase energy efficient vehicles (e.g. hybrids), convert some vehicles to compressed natural gas, and/or retrofit diesel trucks and equipment. The County also sought Recovery Act funds for natural resource protection projects throughout the region such as flood control and watershed projects, and projects to promote clean air.

State Clean Diesel Grant (DERA) Program
On May 4, 2009, the County's Air Pollution Control District (APCD) was awarded $169,000 from the state Air Resources Control Board through the state Clean Diesel Grant (DERA) Program. The funds were used to retrofit in-use diesel school buses with diesel particulate filters. Retrofitting diesel school buses results in immediate, significant diesel emission reductions that benefit children's health. Each school bus that is retrofitted with a diesel particulate filter emits 85 percent less toxic diesel particulate matter. APCD began project implementation in July 2009 and completed the project in September 2009. A press conference on the completion of the first school bus retrofit in the country was held Wednesday, July 22, 2009 at the San Diego Unified School bus yard in Kearny Mesa. *Status*: The project is complete.

National Clean Diesel Funding Assistance Program for the Lower-Emission School Bus Program
On June 4, 2009, the County's APCD was awarded $1,563,652 from the ARRA National Clean Diesel Funding Assistance Program for the Lower-Emission School Bus Program. These dollars will be used to partially fund retrofitting 111 in-use school buses, repowering two in-use school buses and replacing 12 pre-1987 model year school buses. APCD will partner with various school districts to implement this project. A census of all school districts in San Diego County has been completed and a listing of eligible buses has been produced. Twelve school buses qualified for replacement. Award letters from the County Board of Supervisors were mailed to respective school districts on November 13, 2009. *Status:* The project is underway.

Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG)
The County anticipates receiving over $5.1 million from the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG). A County energy team, led by the County's Department of General Services was formed to draft the proposal to be submitted for the EECBG. The grant provides funding for energy conservation and efficiency projects and programs related to retrofitting buildings, providing renewable resources (such as solar) and regulations/codes that benefit both the economy and environment. The application was submitted on June 23, 2009. Subsequent to the grant application, the Department of Energy (DOE) has approved the County Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy which was a requirement for grant approval within 120 days of grant award. On September 22, 2009 the Board appropriated the grant funds to the recipient departments (Planning and Land Use, Parks and Recreation, Environmental Health, General

Services). *Status:* DOE awarded the grant on December 4, 2009. Prior to the County's acceptance of the award, the County energy team is in the process of reviewing the grant documents and clarifying some aspects of the grant with DOE.

National Clean Diesel Funding Assistance Program
On April 27, 2009, the County's APCD submitted three proposals to the US Environmental Protection Administration to request $9,366,578 in funding from the National Clean Diesel Funding Assistance Program. The projects include: Truck Retrofit and Replacement Program; Lower-Emission School Bus Program; and San Diego County Fleet Vehicles Retrofit. Funds will be used to achieve significant reductions in harmful diesel emissions by replacing, repowering, and retrofitting diesel school buses and heavy-duty trucks operating within the County of San Diego. The project will be a partnership with local school districts, private truck fleets, and the San Diego Unified Port District. *Status:* The Lower-Emission School Bus Program project was funded on June 4, 2009 (please see above for details); the other two proposed projects were not selected for funding.

US Forest Service Invasive Weed Region-Wide Funds
On June 24, 2009, the County's Department of Agriculture, Weights and Measures submitted a proposal to the California Department of Food and Agriculture seeking $240,813 for invasive weed abatement on A-rated and B-rated weeds on non-governmental property. *Status:* Contract documents are under review to finalize the grant award.

USDA Rural Development Fund
On May 11, 2009, the County's Department of Public Works submitted two proposals to the United States Department of Agriculture to request $3,127,100 in funding from the Rural Development Fund. The projects include: Campo Water Well Improvements and Campo Wastewater Treatment Plant Filter Improvements. *Status:* The proposals were not selected for funding.

Public Works and Economic Development Facilities Program
On March 20, 2009, the County's Department of Public Works submitted a proposal to the US Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration for $6.5 million in funding from the Public Works and Economic Development Facilities Program for a flood control improvement project. *Status:* The proposal was not selected for funding.

Clean Water State Revolving Fund
In March and April 2009, the County's departments of Public Works, Parks and Recreation, and Environmental Health, submitted 36 proposals to the State Water Resources Control Board for a request of $60,192,414 in funding from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund. These projects include flood control and watershed, water supply, wastewater, inactive landfill clean up, artificial turf at County parks, and recreational water monitoring. *Status:* None of the projects remain in consideration for Phase I funding.

Training
The County partnered with the San Diego Workforce Partnership (SDWP) to evaluate opportunities for summer internships with County departments and training resources for County workers. The County submitted numerous suggestions to the SDWP for additional worker training to include: on-line training programs, academy programs, mentorship and certificated programs, safety training, and upgrading skills training in technology areas.

Summer Hire-A-Youth
The County placed 30 youth at work sites for summer internships that ended September 30, 2009. These participants logged 4,370 hours working in various County departments and programs.

Twenty-two youth worked in programs with the Health and Human Services Agency; four worked with the Parks and Recreation department; two completed internships with the Department of Animal Services; one participated in a program with the Treasurer and Tax Collector's office; and one worked with the County Library. No direct funding came to the County. Instead, the San Diego Workforce Partnership's contracted youth program providers recruited and compensated youth participants.

Workforce Academy for Youth (WAY) Program

The County submitted a proposal to the SDWP for the County's Workforce Academy for Youth (WAY) program. The proposal requested funding for two six-month sessions of this "best practices" program that provides paid internships in a wide array of County departments to young people who are "aging out" of the foster care system. The SDWP did not fund the WAY program with Recovery Act dollars; instead the SDWP wants to assist the program through their regular Workforce Investment Act funding process. SDWP is developing a services agreement with the County's Department of Human Resources to support no fewer than 30 WAY participants. Monies from SDWP will partially fund the program for another year.

FIRST QUARTER REPORTING

The Recovery Act requires prime recipients to submit quarterly reports summarizing their use of Recovery Act funding. These reports are due by the tenth day following the end of each quarter. The reporting requirements are triggered upon the prime recipient's receipt of a notice of award, and reports are required to be submitted quarterly until the project has been completed. Reporting templates are downloaded from FederalReporting.gov and request such information as the number of jobs created as a result of Recovery Act funding, the amount of funds expended, the percentage of project completeness, and payments made to vendors. The Recovery Act requires data from both prime recipients and sub-recipients. The prime recipient may report on behalf of its sub-recipient(s) or it may choose to delegate the reporting.

In order to assist County departments with the reporting process, a team of County staff met and worked together to develop a guidance document for departments submitting reports. The objectives of developing this document were to pass along guidance received from federal agencies, anticipate and answer questions, and ensure uniformity among the various reports the departments would submit on behalf of the County. This guidance document proved useful for the first round of reports and will continue to be updated as federal agencies provide additional information.

The County's first reports were timely uploaded prior to the October 10, 2009 deadline. The next deadline for Recovery Act reporting is January 10, 2010.

One aspect of the Recovery Act reporting nationwide which has led to some questions is the way in which entities have reported on jobs created or retained. Some initial confusion existed over the definition of jobs "created" or "retained". Through research and discussions with various federal agencies, County staff has confirmed that a job "created" is a position that did not formerly exist and was created as a result of Recovery Act funding. A job "retained" is a position that would have been eliminated but for Recovery Act funding. Additionally, the Recovery Act requires recipients to report on the number of jobs created or retained using "full-time equivalents" (FTE), not simple position counts. The FTE calculation for each reporting period is derived based on the actual time worked by an individual for all reporting periods to date. For example, two part-time employees each working 20 hours per week during each quarter would be reported as 1.00 FTE in each quarterly reporting period. The FTE method translates multiple position types (temporary, part-time, full-time) into one standardized calculation.

As a prime recipient of ARRA funds, the County of San Diego reported directly to the federal government on the following six programs (through FederalReporting.gov): (1) Public Housing Capital Fund Formula Grants, (2) Community Development Block Grants, (3) Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program, (4) Combating Criminal Narcotics Activity (CCNA) Stemming from the Southern Border of the United States: Operation Vise Grip, (5) Airport Improvement Program, and (6) State Clean Diesel Grant Program. Of these programs, jobs were reported for the CCNA Stemming from the Southern Border of the United States: Operation Vise Grip (4.27 FTE as of September 30, 2009).

As a sub-recipient of ARRA funds, the County of San Diego was delegated reporting authority and reported directly to the federal government on the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Formula Program, and jobs were reported for this program in the first quarter reporting period (0.7 FTE as of September 30, 2009).

Additionally, as a sub-recipient of funds, the County of San Diego reported to prime recipients of ARRA funds that there was no program activity during the first reporting period on the following three programs: (1) Combating Criminal Narcotics Activity Stemming from the Southern Border of the United States: San Diego Regional Cross Border Violence Project (reported to the City of Chula Vista), (2) Combating Criminal Narcotics Activity Stemming from the Southern Border of the United States (reported to the City of Chula Vista), and (3) Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Formula Program: Street Narcotics/Gang Investigator Team (reported to the City of Vista).

This report provides an update on the County's Recovery Act efforts. Please visit the County's Recovery Act Web site frequently, www.recoverysdcounty.org, for the most current information on the County's ARRA activities.

Respectfully,

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