



MEMORANDUM

Date: August 10, 2018

To: The Honorable Mark Napier
Pima County Sheriff

From: C.H. Huckelberry
County Administrator 

Re: **Additional Information on High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) Grants**

As I understand, the HIDTA grants provides an additional \$675,003 to an already previously awarded grant of \$363,463, for a total of \$1,038, 466, for the purpose of funding a number of initiatives and personnel as identified in attachments to the grant. It would be helpful to have a more detailed explanation of all of the purposes of the HIDTA grant. Please answer the following questions:

- 1) I am unclear as to whether these personnel are County personnel, law enforcement personnel, civilians, or both. How many County employees and what classifications are under the grant?
- 2) Where are the personnel located and in what office?
- 3) Is the office for these personnel a Pima County facility or other?
- 4) Who directly supervises the HIDTA grant personnel?
- 5) It would be helpful to determine how many Pima County Sheriff's Department (PCSD) law enforcement positions are involved in the HIDTA grant program, and if all their costs are fully reimbursed. Do we have any County staff, law enforcement staff, law enforcement supervisors or detectives, working in this program area who are not being reimbursed?
- 6) In addition, the material submitted for the grant enumerates \$363,463, while a separate submission states \$675,003. What is the reason for the separate submittals? The grant period appears to begin and be retroactive to January 1, 2018. The awards were submitted and requested for the Board of Supervisors March 20, 2018 meeting, what delayed the submission to the Board?

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- 7) It would also be appropriate to explain the history of HIDTA grants and the Counter Narcotics Alliance. Who is the lead agency regarding the Alliance and what other law enforcement agencies participate? Do other participating law enforcement entities have law enforcement or civilian staff participating in the program? Are they fully reimbursed for their expenses?

This matter is scheduled to be reconsidered by the Board at their September 4, 2018 Board of Supervisors Meeting. It would be appropriate to have a more detailed description of this grant, the various programs that are supported by it, how they are interrelated to law enforcement on a regional scale, who the regional participants are, and the method of payment for assigned staff.

CHH/anc

c: The Honorable Chairman and Members, Pima County Board of Supervisors
John Voorhees, Assistant County Administrator