



MEMORANDUM

Date: June 7, 2013

To: The Honorable Chairman and Members
Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: C.H. Huckelberry
County Administrator 

Re: **Sheriff Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organization (RICO) Expenditures**

The Sheriff has used his share of RICO seizures from criminal enterprises to fund a number of important projects that, in many cases, would have required funding by the County General Fund. The Sheriff has provided the following information regarding RICO expenditures for the last five years:

Project Description	Amount	Purpose
Training Center Project	\$ 450,000.00	Basic Law Enforcement Academy
Partial Funding for FLIR on Second Helio Courier	199,972.55	Tactical Air Support for Patrol
Partial Funding for AR-15 Rifles and Accessories	100,000.00	
Aircraft Related Equipment	100,837.24	
Helicopter Equipment and Supplies	50,000.00	
New Canine and Startup Cost	20,000.00	Two New Patrol K-9
19 Undercover Vehicles	300,000.00	For Undercover Operations
Upfit 48 Vehicles for Patrol Division	500,000.00	Patrol Vehicle Equipment
Three Motorcycles for Motor Enforcement Unit	68,214.33	
Partial Funding for New Helicopter	1,433,809.67	Total Cost \$3.6 million
Remodel Foothills District Station	71,278.97	
X2 TASERS Annual Lease Payment (first year)	160,512.26	(Total over five years \$900,000 RICO)
Emergency Preemption Equipment	200,000.00	
45 Mobile Digital Computers for Criminal Investigations Division	145,053.35	
Computer Equipment for Disaster Recovery	250,000.00	
Total	\$4,049,678.37	

The Sheriff has been cognizant of General Fund budget limitations imposed on the County over the last several years, and I appreciate his utilization of RICO funds to purchase many basic support systems and services for law enforcement. This is one of the reasons I am

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recommending the Board of Supervisors appropriate additional General Fund support for the Sheriff's Department when adopting the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2013/14.

CHH/mjk

c: **The Honorable Clarence Dupnik, Pima County Sheriff**
 Martin Willett, Chief Deputy County Administrator
 Tom Burke, Director, Finance and Risk Management
 Robert Johnson, Budget Manager, Finance and Risk Management