



September 20, 2013

Linda Penner, Chair  
Board of State and Community Corrections  
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Dear Ms. Penner:

As the former State Administering Agency for the Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) funds, the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) administered \$3.75 million in 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)/JAG funds for a 3-year period (10/1/09-9/30/12) to the Anti Human Trafficking (AHT) Task Force Program, pursuant to the 2009 Budget Act.

The Program is comprised of nine local Task Forces which have developed partnerships with federal and state agencies. The Task Forces work collaboratively with victim and social service organizations in the identification of trafficked victims and their recovery. In addition, the Task Forces also work with Local and State prosecutors to secure convictions of Traffickers. The nine Task Forces include;

- Oakland Police Department
- San Francisco Police Department
- San Jose Police Department
- Sacramento Sheriff's Office
- Fresno Police Department
- Los Angeles Police Department
- Anaheim Police Department
- Riverside Sheriff's Office
- San Diego Sheriff's Office

Since human trafficking presents such an enormous threat to the public safety of California, Cal OES continued to support this Program after the 2009 ARRA JAG funds were fully expended. In October of 2012, Cal OES allocated \$1.8 million in JAG funds to the AHT Task Forces for a 12-month period (10/1/12 – 9/30/13). Each Task Force received \$200,000.

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Effective July 1, 2012, the administration of the JAG funds was transferred to the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC). The first allocation of JAG that the BSCC received was the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2012. Since there was an overlapping grant period in the AHT program, due to the Cal OES October 2012 funding, there was no need to include AHT as one of the original programs proposed and approved by the Board.

Cal OES has identified \$1.35 million in funding for the AHT Task Forces. Cal OES will augment and extend the nine projects in the AHT Program for an additional 12-month period thru September 30, 2014. This amount reflects a \$450,000 decrease from the true operational costs of running the AHT Task Forces

Sincerely,



**BRENDAN A. MURPHY**  
Deputy Director

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