

OFFICE OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Date: September 30, 2026
To: The Mayor and Council
From: Matthew W. Szabo, City Administrative Officer 
Reference: Board of Police Commissioners Transmittal dated July 31, 2026
Subject: **2025 INTERNET CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN PROGRAM GRANT AWARD
FROM THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES**

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor:

1. Authorize the Chief of Police, or designee, to:
 - a. Retroactively apply for and accept the grant award for the 2025 Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Program amounting to \$1,350,000 for the period from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026, from the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES);
 - b. Negotiate and execute the grant award agreement, subject to the review and approval of the City Attorney as to form;
 - c. Negotiate and execute either new agreements or to amend any agreements with affiliate ICAC Task Force agencies, in collaboration to prevent, interdict, investigate and prosecute internet crimes against children, subject to the review and approval of the City Attorney as to form;
2. Authorize the Los Angeles Police Department to:
 - a. Spend up to the total grant amount of \$1,350,000 in accordance with the grant award agreement;
 - b. Submit grant reimbursement requests to the grantor and deposit grant receipts in the Police Department Grant Fund No. 339, Department No. 70;
 - c. Prepare Controller instructions for any technical adjustments as necessary to implement Mayor and Council intentions, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer, and authorize the Controller to implement the instructions; and,

3. Authorize the Controller to:

- a. Establish a grant receivable and appropriate \$1,350,000 to an appropriation account to be determined, within Fund No. 339, Department No. 70, for the receipt and disbursement of the CalOES 2025 Internet Crimes Against Children Program in accordance with the grant award agreement;
- b. Increase appropriations of \$253,708 for the CalOES 2025 Internet Crimes Against Children Program, on an as-needed basis, from appropriation account number to be determined (TBD), in Fund No. 339, Department No. 70, to Fund No. 100, Department No. 70, account numbers and amounts as follows:

Account No. 001092	Overtime Sworn	\$ 209,000
Account No. 001090	Overtime General	\$ 24,650
TBD	Related Costs	\$ 20,058

SUMMARY

The Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) is seeking retroactive approval to apply for and accept a \$1,350,000 grant award for the 2025 Internet Crimes Against Children Program (ICAC) from the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES). The grant award has a performance period of January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. No matching funds are required for this grant.

The primary purpose of the ICAC Program is to ensure law enforcement agencies are equipped to quickly respond to, investigate, and prosecute incidents involving the exploitation of children and juveniles through the use of the Internet. To meet these objectives, ICAC funds may be used to enhance investigation of offenders; deliver educational outreach programs; prosecute offenders in federal, state, or local courts; allow for the LAPD to serve as a forensic resource to law enforcement agencies within the service area; and, support participation in nationally coordinated investigations.

The LAPD will allocate grant award funds for the following purposes:

- Sworn and Civilian overtime (\$209,000/\$24,650) and related costs (\$20,058) to support the Task Force activities that include outreach and follow-ups, internet safety presentations, site visits, knock and talks, investigations to intercept potential suspects, forensic investigations and support, hands-on training, victim interviews, review CyberTipline® reporting, perform special details and operations, conduct and execute time-sensitive search warrants, and perform various program administrative duties;
- Equipment cost to purchase a Ford Transit Cargo Van, which will function as a mobile digital forensics vehicle (\$250,000) to provide on-scene support for forensic operations and investigative activities. During the execution of residential search warrants, the vehicle will be deployed to enable investigators and digital forensic personnel to rapidly mobilize, triage electronic devices, and conduct timely suspect reviews, enhancing the Task Force's efficiency to process evidence in real time and help investigators identify and rescue potential victims by uncovering critical evidence of suspected abuse; and,

- Various operating expenses (\$846,292) that include Magnet Graykey™ Premier, Essentials, and Axiom digital forensic devices that unlock and extract evidence from iOS and Android devices (\$540,250); Cellebrite™ digital forensic tool used to extract phone data, parse and analyze the data, and potentially gain access to cloud data where suspects commonly hide their Children Sexual Abuse Material (\$107,900) and other digital forensic tools; in addition to workstations, laptop computers, monitors and software licenses, secured parking for response vehicles, internet access, and various office supplies to maintain the day-to-day operations of the Task Force (\$198,142).

A categorical line-item expense summary of the 2025 ICAC Program grant award is provided below.

2025 ICAC Program Grant Award Expenses

Expense Category	Amount
Personnel (Sworn Overtime)	\$ 209,000
Personnel (Civilian Overtime)	24,650
Equipment	250,000
Operating Expenses	846,292
Sworn & Civilian Fringe Benefit Costs	20,058
Total	\$ 1,350,000

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Approval of the recommendations within this report will have no additional impact to the General Fund and will allow for the expenditure of the 2025 Internet Crimes Against Children Program grant award of \$1,350,000 from the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services. No matching funds are required for this grant.

FINANCIAL POLICIES STATEMENT

The recommendations provided in this report are in compliance with the City's Financial Policies in that one-time grant funding will be utilized for one-time program expenditures.

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