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AGENDA REPORT

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To: Office of the City Administrator Dan Lindheim Attn: From: **Oakland Police Department** Date: November 12, 2008

Re: A Report and Proposed Resolution Authorizing the City Administrator, or His Designee to Donate Funds on Behalf of the City of Oakland, in an Amount Not to Exceed Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to the Child Abuse Listening, Interviewing, and Coordination Center (CALICO)

SUMMARY

A resolution has been prepared authorizing the City Administrator, or his designee, on behalf of the City of Oakland, to donate funds in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 to the Child Abuse Listening, Interviewing, and Coordination Center (CALICO), on behalf of the Oakland Police Department. The generous donation of said funds, along with \$92,300 in existing donations from other law enforcement agencies will support the organization's annual budget of approximately \$750,000.

FISCAL IMPACT

Approval of this resolution will authorize payment to CALICO, on behalf of the Oakland Police Department, in an amount not to exceed \$25,000. Funds have been appropriated in the Federal Asset Forfeiture Fund (2910), the Office of the Chief of Police Organization (101110), Miscellaneous Services Account (53719), Federal Asset Forfeiture Project (H76020), Agencywide Administration Program (PS01).

BACKGROUND

Founded in 1997 as a not-for-profit organization, CALICO brings law enforcement, childwelfare workers, and prosecutors together to respond collaboratively to child abuse allegations, hear children's testimonies, and link children and families with therapeutic, medical, and legal support services throughout the County of Alameda.

Each year, CALICO makes donation requests to the police chiefs of local police departments to support its operations. These requests represent 20% of the organizations annual budget and are prorated based upon the requested police departments' usage of the organization's services. In 2008 requests ranged between \$650 from the Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) Police Department to \$40,000 from the Oakland Police Department. Although \$40,000 has been requested from the Oakland Police Department, the Chief of Police has recommended a \$25,000 donation.

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KEY ISSUES AND IMPACTS

CALICO plays in integral part in the Department's efforts to combat child abuse. Minimizing the trauma to abused children, improving coordination of child abuse case investigations, and supporting children and their families in receiving appropriate medical, legal, and therapeutic services are crucial elements in combating cases of abuse (see Attachment A for statistics).

CALICO staff anticipates that in 2008, 742 children and developmentally delayed adults will be interviewed, with 136 or 18.3% of those youth and adults being Oakland residents.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Child Abuse, Listening, Interviewing, and Coordination Center is an accredited child advocacy center (the only one serving Alameda County) with its main facility in San Leandro, and a satellite office at the Alameda County's Family Justice Center in Oakland.

The four components of CALICO are:

- Forensic interviews CALICO conducts approximately 600 forensic interviews annually with children and developmentally delayed adults who are victims of abuse. CALICO is an accredited child advocacy center, and the only one serving Alameda County's population of 1.5 million residents. A bilingual staff of six Child Interview Specialists possess a combined 32 years of experience at CALICO and have conducted 250-1,500 forensic interviews.
- Multi-Disciplinary Child Abuse Investigations and Response Collaboration is a core
 principle guiding CALICO's work; each year operating agreements are signed with 27
 partnering agencies, each mandated to respond to child abuse allegations. Day-to-day
 collaboration occurs through participation at the forensic interview and attendance at
 monthly program advisory and case review meetings to discuss policies and
 programming, and share information regarding the investigation, status and service needs
 of specific clients/families.
- Family support services CALICO's family support services are based on the premise that one of the best ways to support abused children is to support their caregivers. In July 2008, the organization hired its first full-time trilingual (English/Spanish/Tagalog) Family Resource Specialist (FRS). The FRS serves as a clinical case manager, in that she has the clinical skills to provide on-site assessments and determine family needs, and the case management skills to connect families with relevant resources to meet those needs.

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- Community outreach CALICO routinely reaches out to community and civic organizations (e.g., faith-based organizations, Kiwanis, Rotary Club, schools, etc.) to conduct informational sessions about child abuse and the services CALICO provides.
- Training Each year CALICO hosts a one-day training at which over 125 participants attend to increase their skills in child abuse investigation, response, and treatment. This year's event is scheduled for Thursday, November 6, 2008, and will feature Dr. Tom Lyon, University of Southern California Law School, who will speak on abuse recantation. In addition, CALICO provides ongoing training in forensic interviewing, multidisciplinary investigations, and the legal requirements around mandated reporting of suspected child abuse.

DISABILITY AND SENIOR CITIZEN ACCESS

There are no Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or senior access issues contained in this report.

SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES

<u>Social Equity</u>: Conducting more efficient investigations will assist in ensuring that offenders receive more stringent sentences which will remove them from the community, thereby making it safer.

Economic: By making the City safer, consumers will be more likely to shop and conduct business in Oakland, which will have a positive effect on the economy.

Environmental: There are no environmental concerns associated with this report.

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RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED OF THE COUNCIL

Staff recommends acceptance of this report, and approval of the resolution authorizing the City Administrator to donate on behalf of the Oakland Police Department, funds in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 to the Child Abuse Listening, Interviewing, and Coordination Center (CALICO) to support the organization's 2008 annual budget.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief of Police

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

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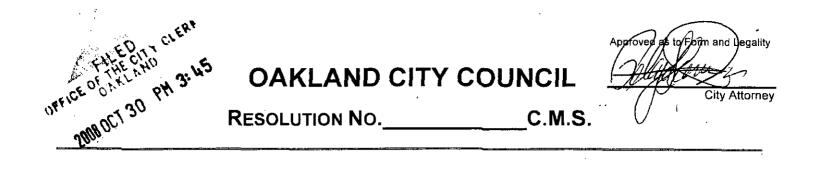
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ATTACHMENT A

CALICO Statistics

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	Jan- June 2008*	Projected	
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	596	685	609	616	585	588	611	547	371	742	620
OPD JURISDICTION INTERVIEWS											
Number	178	215	185	185	154	156	132	122	68	136	163
Percentage of Total	29.9%	31.4%	30.4%	30.0%	26.3%	26.5%	21.6%	22.3%	18.3%	18.3%	26.3%
CASE REVIEW											
Total Interviews Reviewed	92	116	118	90	53	68	66	66	37	74	83
OPD Interviews Reviewed	34	50	41	20	16	32	9	15	6	12	25
% of Total Interviews Reviewed	37.0%	43.1%	34.7%	22.2%	30.2%	47.1%	13.6%	22.7%	16.2%	16.2%	30.8%
% of Total OPD Interviews	19.1%	23.3%	22.2%	10.8%	10.4%	20.5%	6.8%	12.3%	8.8%	8.8%	15.7%

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR, OR HIS DESIGNEE TO DONATE FUNDS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF OAKLAND, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$25,000) TO THE CHILD ABUSE LISTENING, INTERVIEWING, AND COORDINATION CENTER (CALICO)

WHEREAS, CALICO plays an integral part in the Oakland Police Department's efforts to combat child abuse by minimizing the trauma to abused children, improving coordination of child abuse investigations, and supporting children and their families in receiving appropriate medical, legal, and therapeutic services; and

WHEREAS, CALICO projects to interview 742 children and developmentally delayed adults in 2008 with 136 or 18.3% of those youth and adults being Oakland residents; and

WHEREAS, CALICO annually makes requests to the Police Chiefs of local police departments and has made such a request from the Oakland Police Department to support the organization with a donation prorated based upon usage of services rendered; and

WHEREAS, said donation will support CALICO's annual \$750,000 budget; and

WHEREAS, funds have been identified in the Federal Asset Forfeiture Fund (2910), the Office of the Chief of Police Organization (101110), Miscellaneous Services Account (53719), Federal Asset Forfeiture Project (H76020), Agency-wide Administration Program (PS01); and

WHEREAS, the Federal Asset Forfeiture Fund (Fund 2910) is to fund costs associated with drug abuse treatment, drug and crime prevention education, housing and job skills programs, or other nonprofit community-based programs or activities, which are formally approved by the Chief of Police as being supportive of and consistent with a law enforcement effort, policy, and/or initiative; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Oakland City Council does hereby authorize the City Administrator, on behalf of the City of Oakland, to donate funds in an amount not to exceed twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to CALICO to support the Agency's annual budget of seven-hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$750,000).

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____, 20____, 20_____,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, QUAN, REID, and PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST:

LaTonda Simmons City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the City of Oakland, California