

**MEMORANDUM**  
OFFICE OF THE  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
COUNTY OF PLACER

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jim Holmes, Supervisor District 3

DATE: August 24, 2010

SUBJECT: REVENUE SHARING – Approve appropriation of \$250 in Revenue Sharing monies to the Placer County Sheriff's *Search & Rescue 2010 Fundraising Event* to help offset the cost of new equipment and provide training, as requested by Supervisor Holmes (\$250).

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**ACTION REQUESTED**

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**BACKGROUND/COMMUNITY BENEFITS:** In approving the following contributions, the Placer County Board of Supervisors finds that each and every approved contribution serves a public purpose by promoting the general welfare of the County and its inhabitants therefore a benefit results to the County.

The Board of Supervisors is being asked to approve appropriations to help support the Placer County Sheriff's *Search & Rescue Organization 2010 Fundraising Event*. The purpose of the Search & Rescue Organization is to be ready at any time of day, any season and in any weather, to search for lost persons in any type of terrain. The organization also assists the Sheriff's Department with body recovery and evidence searches. In addition to searches, the members provide other community services and are a valuable asset during disasters. The organization is predominately staffed by dedicated volunteers from all walks of life and various professional backgrounds. The Search & Rescue Organization not only provides mutual aid and assistance to Placer County, but also provides assistance to other counties or states that request their help and expertise. The funds designated towards this organization will be used to purchase equipment and provide training.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds are available in the Revenue Sharing budget.



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To Whom It May Concern:

The Placer County Sheriff's Search & Rescue Organization is a functional unit of the Sheriff's Departments authorized by the California Government Code. Although, our Search & Rescue unit is coordinated by the Sheriff's Department, it is predominately staffed by dedicated volunteers from all walks of life and various professional backgrounds.

Our purpose is to be mission ready at any time of day, any season and in any weather, to search for lost persons in any type of terrain. Not only do we cover all of Placer County, but we also provide mutual aid assistance to other counties or states that request our help and expertise. In addition to searches, our members provide other community services and are a valuable asset during disasters. We also assist the Placer County Sheriff's Department with body recovery and evidence searches.

Due to the fact that we are a volunteer organization, our members are not financially compensated for their effort. We find it becomes very expensive for our volunteers to provide their own personal gear and equipment necessary to perform the multitude of tasks required. That is why we seek donations, which are used for equipment and training.

Without financial assistance from civic-minded people such as you, we would be unable to maintain our status as one of the most professional and highly respected Search & Rescue operations in California.

If you have any questions, or if I can be of any further assistance, please don't hesitate to call me at 530 889-7846. Thank you so much for your caring and generosity. We are a 501©3, Tax ID # 68-0187194.

Sincerely,

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