

**MEETING OF:** September 9, 2014

TITLE: Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Tucson Police Department and Tucson Unified School District

for School Resource Officers, with Authorization for the Superintendent to Execute the Agreement

**ITEM #**: 13

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Action: X

## **PURPOSE:**

To request Governing Board approval of the IGA between TUSD and the City of Tucson for the School Resource Officer Program.

## **DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:**

The purpose of this Agreement is to establish a partnership between TUSD and TPD which recognizes the need for law enforcement and safety education; drug abuse prevention; juvenile delinquency and crime prevention; investigative and referral services; and other education and law enforcement programs.

TUSD is the recipient of and Fiscal Officer for a School Safety Program (SSP) Grant, which provides funds for School Resource Officers in selected schools. TPD agrees to provide such officers in exchange for reimbursement of the cost of same by TUSD, as provided for in the SSP Grant.

This Agreement sets forth the responsibilities of the Parties herein and the conditions under which the Agreement shall be executed.

## Roles of Parties

- 1. TUSD agrees:
  - a. To establish and enforce school rules; and,
  - b. To provide a mechanism to measure and monitor student violations of school rules; and,
  - c. To provide prevention strategies, including classroom time for law enforcement and safety related education in grades 6-12; and,
- d. To minimize distractions from teaching, address student behavior problems, and enforce the school district's student disciplinary process, utilizing police involvement where appropriate and/or as required under this Agreement or by law; and,
- e. To provide access to schools by law enforcement officers; and,
- f. To ensure that a teacher is present to assist officers in a classroom presentation about law enforcement and safety related education; and,
- g. To develop a planned strategy to communicate to the community the content and enforcement of TUSD policy; and,
- h. To assume the roles and responsibilities assigned by the School Safety Program Guidance Manual, which is attached here as Exhibit A and incorporated into this Agreement by reference.

## 2. TPD agrees:

- a. To identify the functions of School Resource officers, which will include instruction, advice, security and law enforcement; and,
- b. To deploy or redeploy officers for a specified time period, which includes current and future programs, including, but not limited to, opportunities for TUSD-TPD staff cross-training in law enforcement education, drug abuse prevention education, conflict resolution, and other law enforcement related program activities; and,
- c. To provide overall coordination and supervision of officers on the school grounds. TPD retains all legal and regulatory rights of control, supervision, retention and assignment of its personnel whether on or off- duty, in furtherance of this Agreement; and,
- d. To keep the peace and promptly investigate and prosecute crimes in accordance with TPD rules and procedures, and to the extent permitted by law, with TUSD policy and in accordance with the Juvenile Court Collaborative Task Force guidelines for schools in when to contact law enforcement; and,

TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT	BOARD AGENDA ITEM CONTINUATION SHEET
□ School Resource Office IGA	
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ATTACHMENTS:	
DOCUMENTS ATTACHED/ ON FILE IN BOARD OFFICE:	
Name Title	Date
Mr. Eugene Butler, Jr., Assistant Superintendent of Student Support Services  8/29/14	
INITIATOR(S):	
Legal Advisor Signature (if applicable)  BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS:  District Budget State/Federal Funds Other  Budget Cost Budget Code	Budget Certification (for use by Office of Financial Services only):  Date I certify that funds for this expenditure in the amount of \$ are available and may be: Authorized from current year budget Authorized with School Board approval Code: Fund:
For amendments to current IGAs, Initiator provides original IGA recording number:	
For all Intergovernmental Agreements (IGAs), Initiator of Agenda Item provides the name of the agency responsible for recording the Agreement after approval:	
LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS:	
BOARD POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:	
Jeff Coleman, Director of School Safety will be present for questions or concerns.	
e. To the extent possible and permitted by law and TPD policy, assume the roles and responsibilities assigned by the School Safety Program Guidance Manual.	