




MEMORANDUM

Date: April 25, 2019

To: The Honorable Chairman and Members
Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: C.H. Huckelberry
County Administrator 

Re: **Federal Fiscal Year 2018 Operation Stonegarden**

Attached is a tabulated list of all Operation Stonegarden (OPSG) funding recipients in the State (Attachment 1). Please note that the Department of Public Safety and Pima County has received approximately \$490,000, the Pinal County Sheriff's Department has received approximately \$2.1 million and the Tucson Police Department received slightly over \$600,000. The only adjacent police agency that is 287G Certified, which means a law enforcement officer is cross-certified as an Immigration Enforcement Officer, is the Pinal County Sheriff's Department.

On Tuesday April 23, 2019, the Pima County Sheriff was notified that US Border Patrol requested five Tucson Police Department officers to work in OPSG deployment in Three Points, Arizona or western Pima County, far from their jurisdiction (Attachment 2). While this deployment is not likely to be approved by Chief Magnus, similar requests will become a common occurrence if the Pima County Sheriff is unable to accept an OPSG grant. It is also likely the Pinal County Sheriff's Department, a 287G Certified department, will be deployed within western Pima County.

We now have confirmation that Pinal County Sheriff assets are now being deployed to western Pima County. Attachment 3 entitled, *"Pinal County Aviation Unit Deployments Operating for United States Border Patrol"* is confirmation that the Pinal County Sheriff's Office is now operating in Pima County under Operation Stonegarden. This is likely to increase significantly in the future as the Pinal County Sheriff received major funding for aviation assets under Stonegarden.

These two deployments are problematic for a number of reasons. First, Pima County has no control or influence over these law enforcement operations. We have no reasonable expectation of transparency regarding outside agency operations in Pima County. Both agencies have not adopted the same civil liberty assurances our Sheriff has when carrying out Stonegarden Operations. Second, County residents have no recourse when questioning the authority or actions of these law enforcement agencies within Pima County. We should expect an escalation of the deployment of outside law enforcement resources in Pima County to fill the void created by our personnel if OPSG funding is not approved.

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This is a serious breach of law enforcement accountability to the civilian population policed. Residents of these areas have no recourse to Pinal County, the Tucson Police Department or other law enforcement agencies that might be deployed in the future. Both operations should be terminated immediately. However, we have no base of authority to mandate that occur.

CHH/mp

Attachments

c: The Honorable Mark Napier, Pima County Sheriff

ATTACHMENT 1

FFY 2018 OPSG Subrecipients

Agency or Jurisdiction	Project Title	Overtime	Mileage	Travel	Funded Amount
AZ Department of Public Safety - Cochise	Overtime	\$475,000	\$47,500	\$5,360	\$527,860
AZ Department of Public Safety - Cochise	Equipment	\$48,300			\$48,300
AZ Department of Public Safety - Pima	Overtime	\$300,000	\$30,000	\$3,216	\$333,216
AZ Department of Public Safety - Pima	Equipment	\$158,322			\$158,322
AZ Department of Public Safety - Pinal	Overtime	\$550,000	\$50,000	\$5,360	\$605,360
AZ Department of Public Safety - Pinal	Equipment	\$125,700			\$125,700
AZ Department of Public Safety - Yuma	Overtime	\$360,545	\$35,000	\$5,360	\$400,905
AZ Department of Public Safety - Yuma	Equipment	\$39,200			\$39,200
Benson Police Department	Overtime	\$23,000	\$2,000		\$25,000
Bisbee Police Dpartment	Overtime	\$15,000	\$1,500		\$16,500
Casa Grande Police Department	Overtime	\$350,000	\$30,000		\$380,000
Casa Grande Police Department	Equipment	\$130,317			\$130,317
Cochise County Sheriff's Office	Overtime	\$530,000	\$40,000		\$570,000
Cochise County Sheriff's Office	Equipment	\$917,052			\$917,052
Cocopah Tribe Police Department	Overtime	\$165,000	\$15,000		\$180,000
Coolidge Police Department	Overtime	\$225,000	\$15,000		\$240,000
Coolidge Police Department	Equipment	\$188,408			\$188,408
Douglas Police Department	Overtime	\$650,000	\$42,000		\$692,000
Douglas Police Department	Equipment	\$136,000			\$136,000
Eloy Police Department	Overtime	\$150,000	\$12,000		\$162,000
Eloy Police Department	Equipment	\$187,868			\$187,868
Florence Police Department	Overtime	\$140,000	\$21,000		\$161,000
Florence Police Department	Equipment	\$82,018			\$82,018
Graham County Sheriff's Office	Overtime	\$86,788	\$6,000		\$92,788
Greenlee County Sheriff's Office	Equipment	\$112,500			\$112,500
Huachuca City Police Department	Overtime	\$10,000	\$1,000		\$11,000
Huachuca City Police Department	Equipment	\$5,000			\$5,000
La Paz County Sheriff's Office	Overtime	\$80,000	\$6,000		\$86,000
La Paz County Sheriff's Office	Equipment	\$61,540			\$61,540
Marana Police Department	Overtime	\$250,000	\$5,000		\$255,000
Marana Police Department	Equipment	\$53,800			\$53,800
Maricopa Police Department	Overtime	\$50,000	\$5,000		\$55,000
Maricopa Police Department	Equipment	\$106,566			\$106,566
Nogales Police Department	Overtime	\$777,412	\$40,000		\$817,412
Oro Valley Police Department	Overtime	\$75,000	\$7,200		\$82,200

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Agency or Jurisdiction	Project Title	Overtime	Mileage	Travel	Funded Amount
Oro Valley Police Department	Equipment	\$50,400			\$50,400
Pima County Sheriff's Department	Overtime	\$1,155,866	\$50,000	\$13,120	\$1,218,986
Pima County Sheriff's Department	Equipment	\$595,600			\$595,600
Pima Police Department	Overtime	\$27,000	\$3,000		\$30,000
Pinal County Sheriff's Office	Overtime	\$810,598	\$72,000		\$882,598
Pinal County Sheriff's Office	Equipment	\$1,236,432			\$1,236,432
Quartzsite Police Department	Overtime	\$15,000	\$1,500		\$16,500
Quartzsite Police Department	Equipment	\$9,260			\$9,260
Safford Police Department	Overtime	\$150,000	\$8,000		\$158,000
Safford Police Department	Equipment	\$15,000			\$15,000
Sahuarita Police Department	Overtime	\$200,000	\$10,000		\$210,000
Sahuarita Police Department	Equipment	\$16,800			\$16,800
San Luis Police Department	Overtime	\$369,000	\$20,000		\$389,000
San Luis Police Department	Equipment	\$60,000			\$60,000
Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office	Overtime	\$652,411	\$59,000		\$711,411
Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office	Equipment	\$198,000			\$198,000
South Tucson Police Department	Overtime	\$30,000	\$1,000		\$31,000
Thatcher Police Department	Overtime	\$60,000	\$3,000		\$63,000
Tucson Police Department	Overtime	\$594,676	\$10,000		\$604,676
Wellton Police Department	Overtime	\$66,500	\$2,500		\$69,000
Wellton Police Department	Equipment	\$9,400			\$9,400
Yuma County Sheriff's Office	Overtime	\$1,006,125	\$45,000		\$1,051,125
Yuma County Sheriff's Office	Equipment	\$168,000			\$168,000
Yuma Police Department	Overtime	\$679,000	\$20,000		\$699,000
Yuma Police Department	Equipment	\$181,070			\$181,070

ATTACHMENT 2

Captain Russ Ponzio
Pima County Sheriff's Department

From: FUENTES JR, EDUARDO

Date: Tuesday, Apr 23, 2019, 11:30 AM

To: Chris Widmer <Chris.Widmer@tucsonaz.gov>, Russell Ponzio <Russell.Ponzio@sheriff.pima.gov>

Subject: FW: Request for Tucson Police Stonegarden Deployment

Mr. Widmer, is it possible to have maybe 5 officers work Three Points area? If so, please advise.

Mr. Ponzio, could you relay this to the deputies that 5 officers may be working 1300-2100 hours in Three Points area on Friday?

Thank you,

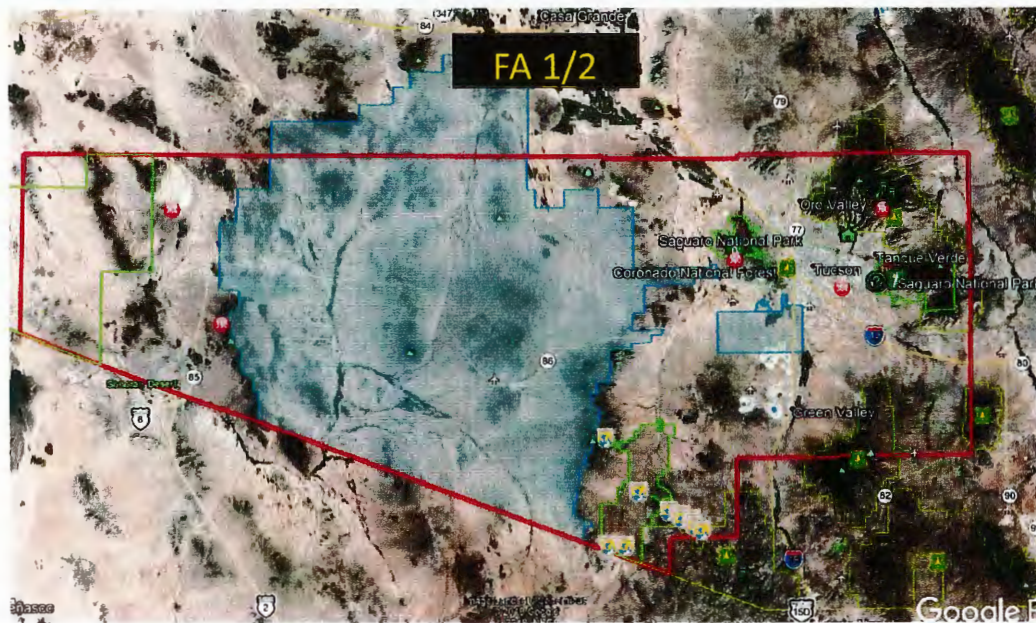
Eduardo Fuentes
SBPA, Tucson Station, Admin Unit

ATTACHMENT 3

Pinal County Aviation Unit deployments

Operating for United States Border Patrol

AGENCY	DATE	TIME	TYPE	AREA	CALL SIGN	CAPABILITY
PCSO	4/22/2019-4/23/2019	0600-1300	UH-1	FA-2/1	Pinal Air 1	PAX Deployable
PCSO	4/25/2019-4/26/2019	0900-1600	UH-1	FA-2/1	Pinal Air 1	PAX Deployable
PCSO	4/25/2019-4/26/2019	0900-1400	Fixed 206	FA-2/1	Pinal Air 4	ISR (Camera)



PCSO is scheduled to complete missions in the FA-2/1 areas of responsibility based on Tucson Sectors (TCA) priorities.

FA-2 is TCAs higher priority and is indicated as such in the area column. Daily missions are dynamic and are tasked dynamically, PCSO can be tasked anywhere within the scheduled area.

Traditionally 75% of PCSO operations occur in FA-2 with 25% occurring in FA-1.

Planned named operations will have a smaller restricted area of operations.

