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To: LAHCFD Commissioners

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Date: July 15th 2015

Subject: Finger Printing/Live Scan of CERT members

RECOMMENDED ACTION

In response to a request from Commissioner Waldeck, I was asked to design a program for our LAHCFD CERT members on "Dealing with Minor's in a Disaster". After researching numerous publications I have come up with a basic plan for our CERT members in dealing with minors in a disaster. The concept is attached for further review.

One of the main components of the Dealing with Minor's in a Disaster is the need to have some of our CERT members finger printed and live scanned through the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office. Our CERT members will have to meet certain requirements prior to being finger printed and live scanned (see attached). Once the CERT member has met the requirements they will go to the Sheriff's Office to be finger printed and live scanned.

FUNDING REQUEST

The cost to have this done is:

\$ 20 for finger printing

\$ 32 for live scanned

Total for each CERT member is \$ 52

I anticipate about 20-25 CERT members fulfilling all the requirements for this program.

Total cost would be \$ 1300.

During the next 3 years if more CERT members become qualified to cost would be \$ 52 each for however as many qualify.

Source of funding would come from the current or anticipated CERT budget.

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REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

The reason for recommending this project is that it would ensure that qualified CERT members would be responsible for dealing with minors in a disaster and that current CERT members that have attended the training classes will understand what to do in dealing with minors in a disaster.

BACKGROUND

Since we currently do not have a program in place in dealing with minors in a disaster this would allow certain CERT members to take care of a vulnerable population base that if not tended to correctly could result in harm to a minor.

CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION

If this request is not approved, our CERT members will have to leave a minor in a disaster alone without parental supervision. By approving this proposal it would allow certain CERT members the ability to care for minors in a disaster.

STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

Review guidelines of Minors in Disaster procedures with CERT Supervisors 7/15

Provide basic training class to all CERT members 7/15

Provide more extensive training class to CERT members who meet qualification and complete the training program. 10/15

LAHCFD Board to provide funding for finger printing and live scan. 7/15

Have new Town ID badges updated to reflect CERT member's qualifications. 10/15

Provide Minors in Disaster training once a year to all CERT members. 2016 and beyond.
