

1 [Accept and Expend Grant - Community of Veterans Engaged in Restoration Program -
2 \$249,662]

3 **Resolution authorizing the Sheriff's Department to retroactively apply for, accept and**
4 **expend \$249,662 in funds from the Office of Justice Programs, through the Justice and**
5 **Mental Health Collaboration Program. The Community of Veterans Engaged in**
6 **Restoration Program (COVER) will strive to increase public safety and reduce**
7 **recidivism among incarcerated and recently released veterans with Post-Traumatic**
8 **Stress Disorder (PTSD) in the City and County of San Francisco.**

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10 WHEREAS, The Office of Justice Programs, Justice and Mental Health Collaboration
11 Program seeks applicants and encourages partnerships between criminal justice and mental
12 health providers to respond to the increasing number of people who are in need of these
13 services and related resources to achieve a successful return to their communities; and

14 WHEREAS, The Sheriff's Department established the COVER Program (Community of
15 Veterans Engaged in Restoration) to support incarcerated veterans of military services; and

16 WHEREAS, That the funds received will target military veterans involved with the
17 criminal justice system who are in need of mental health services and who are returning to the
18 City and County of San Francisco; and

19 WHEREAS, That services addressing Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and
20 related services totaling \$222,917 will be provided through a collaboration with Walden
21 House, Inc., Jail Psychiatric Services, and other community based agencies which includes
22 the hiring of a Mental Health Coordinator; and

23 WHEREAS, That the grant includes indirect costs of \$26,745; and
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1 WHEREAS, That the Sheriff's Program Administrator and additional SFSD staff will
2 provide in-kind services in excess of \$50,000; and

3 WHEREAS, That these services are designed to increase public safety and reduce
4 recidivism; and

5 WHEREAS, That the City and County of San Francisco will participate in data
6 collection on key variables related to client-level performance and outcome data as required;
7 now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the Sheriff's Department is hereby authorized to retroactively accept
9 and expend \$249,662 in funds from the Department of Justice; and be it

10 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Sheriff's Department is authorized to furnish
11 whatever additional information or assurances the funding agency may request in connection
12 with this grant, and execute any and all agreements necessary to complete the transfer of
13 funds. The grant period is from October 01, 2011 to September 30, 2013; and be it

14 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco assures that it will
15 abide by the statues governing the Office of Justice Programs as well as the terms and
16 conditions of the Grant Agreement as set forth by the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of
17 Justice Programs.

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Recommended:

Michael Hennessey

Sheriff

Approved:

Mayor

Controller