

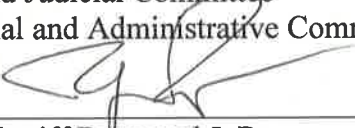


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TO: Law and Judicial Committee
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FROM: 
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REFERENCE: Cooperative State and Local Agreement – United States Department of Justice,
Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA)

This is a renewal of a previously approved agreement with the United States Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA.) The Sheriff's Office is actively working with the DEA to solve drug crimes. This cooperation has led to the arrest of numerous offenders and seizure of offender assets. The agreement acknowledges the working relationship between the Sheriff's Office and the DEA.

The agreement requires us to assign one (1) deputy to the Chicago Field Division (CFD) of the DEA Task Force. The DEA will be responsible for all costs associated with the CFD to insure program success. The deputy has been working with the CFD since 2015; for the deputy's protection their identity will not be revealed.

As the result of our contribution to CFD's efforts any arrest we participate in allows us to receive a portion of the asset seized during the event. Seizure funds are distributed to DEA partners and our percentage depends on the number of jurisdictions and the number of hours each jurisdiction spends on the event. To-date we have \$92,175.98 in our Federal Drug Seizure Funds and there is a total of \$680,488.15 in assets waiting for the DEA to close the case and release our percentage of these funds. The advantage to the Sheriff's Office in sharing these seizures funds is that we may use the funds to offset expenses associated with criminal activities from the inception of the investigation until the case is closed out. We appreciate the ability to use these funds in order to offset costs associated with criminal investigations so that we do not have to use General Funds to pay for things such as equipment.

We know that the illegal drug industry is not limited by local government boundaries; therefore, this agreement allows the Lake County Sheriff's Office to collaborate with CFD/DEA to solve Lake County drug crimes that have related criminal activity occurring in Chicago. This teamwork is critical in solving complex multi-jurisdictional drug crimes.