

Memorandum

TO: MAYOR LICCARDO

FROM: Councilmember Sylvia Arenas

SUBJECT: BUDGET DOCUMENT

DATE: 5/23/18

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RECOMMENDATION

That the following recommendation be enacted.

Proposal

Program/Project Title: Sexual Assault Education & Training

Amount of City Funding Required: \$150,000

Fund Type (i.e. General Fund, C&C funds, etc.): General Fund

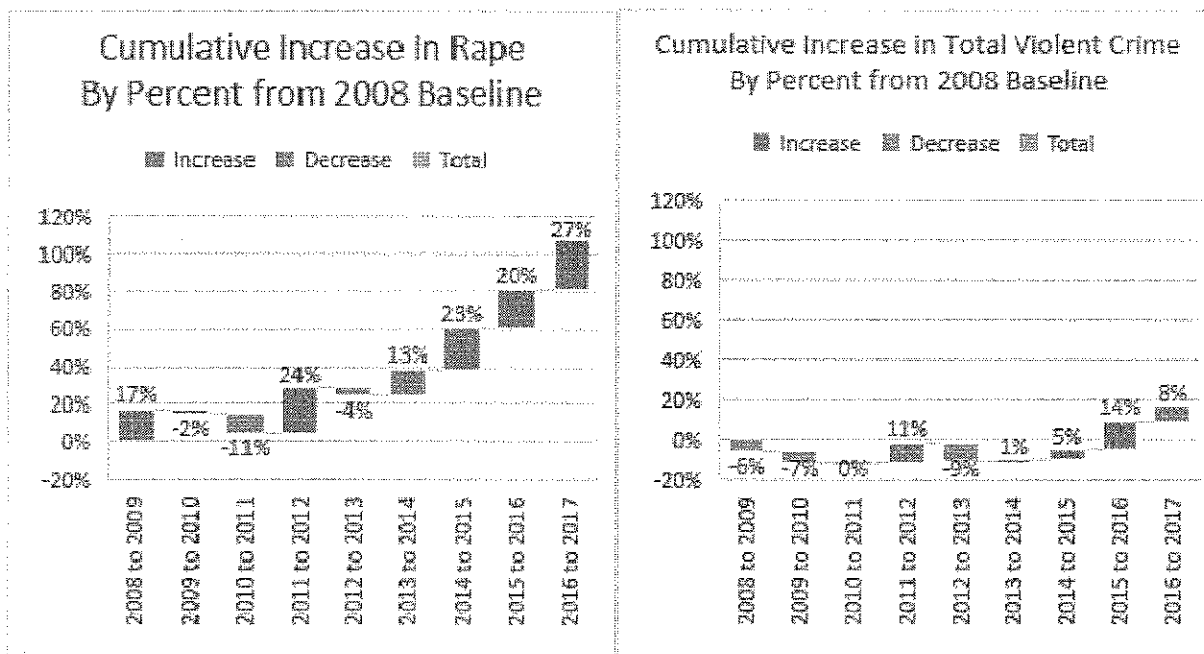
This change is:

One-time Ongoing

Proposal Description, including anticipated outcomes (describe how change would affect services for San José residents, businesses, community groups, etc.):

Use the funding that is currently budgeted for vacant positions in the Sexual Assaults Investigative Services for fiscal year 2018/2019 to fund a contract for a provider to conduct a series of sexual assault prevention trainings for middle and high school students in San Jose public schools. This programing should be based on the most recent affirmative consent based curriculum and be a provided with multiple age-appropriate options for middle and high school students.

In the last 10 years, the number of rapes reported in San Jose has more than doubled, while the increase in total violent crime has only gone up by 15%. When you exclude rapes from total violent crime, in the same 10 year period in which rapes have doubled, violent crime has only gone up by 6%.



Rape has gone from being only 6% of Violent Crime reported in San Jose in 2008 to almost 14% of all Violent Crime reported in 2017. While in 2013, the FBI began requiring a wider definition be used for rape reporting, that would only account for one year's worth of increase in a chart that shows the increase has been a consistent and growing.

Some of the dollars not used from the 10 vacant positions in the Sexual Assaults Unit should be reallocated to fund this training program. We can't let this crisis continue as we wait for position in the Department to be filled, as it is expected to only be filled once patrol vacancies have been resolved. This program is preventative in nature to help reduce the currently increasing numbers of sexual assault cases in San Jose.

Funding Source

- Essential Services Reserve (\$2 million)
- Other (Program/Project/Fund): Rebudget a portion of the unfilled vacancies in the Sexual Assaults Unit, or use general fund dollars.

Department or Organization: SJPD

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