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To: Board of Supervisors
From: David Twa, County Administrator
Date: December 8, 2015

Subject: UPDATE ON SECURITY PRECAUTIONS AT COUNTY FACILITIES

RECOMMENDATION(S):

RECEIVE oral report from the Sheriff, Health Services Director, and Employment and Human Services Director on the security precautions that exist at County health and social services facilities.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None. This is an informational report.

BACKGROUND:

Two gunmen wearing military-style gear and armed with assault rifles opened fire at about 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, December 2, at a Southern California social services center where a holiday gathering of San Bernardino County Department of Public Health employees was taking place, killing at least 14 people and wounding more than 20 people in what authorities described as a targeted mission. The shooting spree, which was described by police as a precision attack, lasted about five minutes. Witnesses said several people locked themselves in their offices, desperately waiting to be rescued by police, after gunfire erupted at the Inland Regional Center, which serves people with developmental disabilities. Three explosive devices -- all connected to one another -- were found at the social services

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RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD
COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **12/08/2015** APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

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I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: December 8, 2015

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center, police said. As of this writing, the two suspects had been killed by police a few miles away from the Inland Regional Center shooting location in San Bernardino. The shooters were later identified to be an employee of the San Bernardino County Department of Public Health and his fiancée. Police shed no light on a motive for the mass shooting, which came five days after a gunman opened fire at Planned Parenthood in Colorado, killing three. Among the possible motives, according to the FBI: some kind of workplace grudge or terrorism or a mix of both.

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

But the bureau would not elaborate. The Washington Post reported that 12 pipe bombs and extensive amounts of ammunition were later found at the suspects' home and CNN reported that the the killers had been in communication with terrorist suspects.

In light of this attack, the Board Chair requested the Sheriff, Health Services Director, and Employment and Human Services Director to provide the Board with an update on security precautions that exist at County facilities and, in particular, County health and social services facilities. Sheriff Livingston, Dr. Walker, and EHS Director Kathy Gallagher will address the Board today on this matter. Public Works Department staff will also be available.