

Truth in Testimony Disclosure Form

In accordance with Rule XI, clause 2(g)(5)* of the *Rules of the House of Representatives*, witnesses are asked to disclose the following information. Please complete this form electronically by filling in the provided blanks.

Committee: Judiciary

Subcommittee: Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security

Hearing Date: 09/06/2024

Hearing Title :

The Biden-Harris Border Crisis: California Perspectives

Witness Name: Donald Sharp

Position/Title: Undersheriff

Witness Type: Governmental Non-governmental

Are you representing yourself or an organization? Self Organization

If you are representing an organization, please list what entity or entities you are representing:

Riverside County Sheriff's Office

FOR WITNESSES APPEARING IN A NON-GOVERNMENTAL CAPACITY

Please complete the following fields. If necessary, attach additional sheet(s) to provide more information.

Are you a fiduciary—including, but not limited to, a director, officer, advisor, or resident agent—of any organization or entity that has an interest in the subject matter of the hearing? If so, please list the name of the organization(s) or entities.

N/A

Please list any federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) related to the hearing's subject matter that you or the organization(s) you represent have received in the past thirty-six months from the date of the hearing. Include the source and amount of each grant or contract.

See attachment for list of grants and funding.

Please list any contracts, grants, or payments originating with a foreign government and related to the hearing's subject that you or the organization(s) you represent have received in the past thirty-six months from the date of the hearing. Include the amount and country of origin of each contract or payment.

None

Please complete the following fields. If necessary, attach additional sheet(s) to provide more information.

- I have attached a written statement of proposed testimony.
- I have attached my curriculum vitae or biography.

* Rule XI, clause 2(g)(5), of the U.S. House of Representatives provides:

(5)(A) Each committee shall, to the greatest extent practicable, require witnesses who appear before it to submit in advance written statements of proposed testimony and to limit their initial presentations to the committee to brief summaries thereof.

(B) In the case of a witness appearing in a non-governmental capacity, a written statement of proposed testimony shall include— (i) a curriculum vitae; (ii) a disclosure of any Federal grants or contracts, or contracts, grants, or payments originating with a foreign government, received during the past 36 months by the witness or by an entity represented by the witness and related to the subject matter of the hearing; and (iii) a disclosure of whether the witness is a fiduciary (including, but not limited to, a director, officer, advisor, or resident agent) of any organization or entity that has an interest in the subject matter of the hearing.

(C) The disclosure referred to in subdivision (B)(ii) shall include— (i) the amount and source of each Federal grant (or subgrant thereof) or contract (or subcontract thereof) related to the subject matter of the hearing; and (ii) the amount and country of origin of any payment or contract related to the subject matter of the hearing originating with a foreign government.

(D) Such statements, with appropriate redactions to protect the privacy or security of the witness, shall be made publicly available in electronic form 24 hours before the witness appears to the extent practicable, but not later than one day after the witness appears.

False Statements Certification

Knowingly providing material false information to this committee/subcommittee, or knowingly concealing material information from this committee/subcommittee, is a crime (18 U.S.C. § 1001). This form will be made part of the hearing record.


Witness signature

9/3/24
Date

Riverside County Sheriff's Office

List of federal grants or contracts related to the hearing's subject matter:

(HIDTA) High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area

Below is the requested info and breakdown for each team for 3 years:

HIDTA 22 Total Grant amount - \$1,515,946.00

- INCA \$347,053.00
- INCH \$619,238.00
- RMTF \$449,655.00
- Viper \$100,000.00

HIDTA 23 Total Grant amount - \$1,451,346.00

- INCA \$347,053.00
- INCH \$619,238.00
- RMTF \$385,055.00
- Viper \$100,000.00

HIDTA 24 Total Grant amount - \$1,475,346.00

- INCA \$347,053.00
- INCH \$643,238.00
- RMTF \$385,055.00
- Viper \$100,000.00

DCE/SP Domestic Cannabis eradication/ Suppression Program

2021/2022 – 400,000.00 was the awarded amount. DCESP gave us additional \$20,000.00. Total awarded amount is \$420,000.00

2022/2023 – 700,000.00 was the awarded amount. [We returned \\$150,000.00 on July 2023 back to DCESP. Total Amount for 2023 is \\$550,000.00.](#) At the end of the grant period, we have \$20,154.31 that we were not able to claim, this amount was returned to DCESP. [The total amount claim for DCESP 2023 is \\$ 529,845.69.](#)

We asked for extra to use the money for the Large Torres Martinez Grow. Since the operation never happened, we returned money.

2023/2024 – 500,000.00. [Still working on spending for this fiscal year.](#)

Operation Stonegarden

2022 Operation Stonegarden – Awarded \$2,500,000 (\$994,930 to RSO)

2023 Operation Stonegarden – Awarded \$2,900,000 (\$843,500 to RSO)
2024 Operation Stonegarden – Awarded \$2,701,242 (RSO amount pending review)

2020 Operation Stonegarden Imperial – Awarded \$92,745
2021 Operation Stonegarden Imperial – Awarded \$250,723
2022 Operation Stonegarden Imperial – Awarded \$58,779

Imperial Stonegarden is two years behind, so we are spending 2022 right now. 2023 and 2024 have not been awarded yet.

2020 Operation Stonegarden San Diego – Awarded \$170,000
2021 Operation Stonegarden San Diego – Awarded \$219,300

2021 was last year we were sub-recipient of San Diego.

RSO was involved in three different Stonegarden Grants. We are now the fiduciary for several “Friendly Forces” so we receive the grant money from USBP who gets it from FEMA. We disperse to all the friendly forces (other agencies).

We are also a “Friendly Force” for Imperial.

As a member of the law enforcement community and a leader making policy decisions, I am sick of battling the deeply flawed changes being made by California politicians and that of the current presidential administration. Our state and nation matter, and our citizens are afraid of the consequences of an open border. Drugs, human trafficking, and the unknown number of terrorists and bad actors entering unchecked is eye opening and terrifying. It puts our county and communities in jeopardy. Duty in government is easy to understand and it starts with the core responsibility of the job you have accepted to do. The current administration has lost their understanding of the job of government and public safety.

I can only hope and pray the obvious and necessary actions needed to protect and strengthen the United States border are taken seriously and repaired immediately. That our United States Border Patrol is again allowed to do the work they are experts at, and the misguided politics is removed. Weak borders DO mean a weak country; one to invade and abuse.

I appreciate the opportunity to share my experience and insights as a leader in Riverside County. We are a solid and dedicated Sheriff's Office, here to assist alongside our partners, in the pursuit of our county, state, and national safety.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Donald Sharp', with a stylized, flowing script.

Donald Sharp
Undersheriff
Riverside County Sheriff's Office