



City Council Agenda Item Staff Report

CITY OF SAN BRUNO

DATE: March 1, 2022

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Jovan Grogan, City Manager

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SUBJECT: Receive Report on Reducing the Impact of Drugs on Families (RIDOF)
Pilot Program

BACKGROUND: The United States has experienced a major increase in drug overdoses and other negative impacts associated with drug use over the last few years. The proliferation of opioid and opiate use has been a major driving factor in these increases, and these drugs are coming in relatively new forms, about which little is known by the general public.

In response to City Council and community concerns about increased drug use and overdoses, the Police Department launched an effort to develop a program that would better educate our community about these relatively new threats, and address the void left by the end of the D.A.R.E. Program several years ago. Staff desired to initiate a program, similar to D.A.R.E. that would better educate children, parents, teachers, and school officials about the modern drug landscape. The aim of this program would be to reduce the impact of drugs on families, thus the name RIDOF. Staff developed a preliminary program plan for the curriculum and delivery methods for a pilot project, attempting to build on the successes of D.A.R.E., and improve upon the shortcomings. Staff then secured the endorsement and support of the San Bruno Park School District, and secured grant funding through the San Bruno Community Foundation to support the pilot program. Staff is still working on the curriculum and scheduling, with the aim of delivering the pilot program early next school year. This goal of the presentation and discussion at the March 1, 2022 Study Session is to receive City Council feedback on the preliminary program design.

Attached to this report, please find a presentation that covers the current status of the RIDOF Program that staff will present the March 1, 2022 City Council Study Session.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Presentation