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The following actions were taken at the Jan. 9, 2018, Washington County Board of Commissioners meeting at the Government Center in Stillwater, Minnesota

Sheriff's Office will add sergeant to staff

The Washington County Board of Commissioners approved the addition of a sergeant to the staff of the Washington County Sheriff's Office Jan. 9.

The reason for the addition is to have the sergeant work with the East Metro Sex Trafficking Task Force. The County Board is expected to review an agreement overseeing the work of the task force at its Jan. 16 meeting.

The sergeant is needed to direct investigations and supervise the seven additional employees who comprise the task force. The task force will employ a collaborative and proactive approach to sex trafficking interdiction throughout the metro area.

Funding for the position will be provided by the 2018 Sex Trafficking Investigations and Training grant program. Without a supervising sergeant, the grant would not be awarded.

Contact: Sheriff Dan Starry, 651-430-7601

County will continue to work with Tubman for services for victims of domestic violence

Washington County will continue to work with Tubman, which provides services for victims of domestic violence and their families, after the County Board approved a contract amendment with the agency Jan. 9.

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Tubman provides shelter, crisis intervention, counseling, advocacy, assistance with Orders for Protection, and community presentations. Tubman works with the county as the community point of contact for the Lethality Assessment Protocol (LAP), a risk assessment tool used by law enforcement officers in Washington County to help identify the most dangerous offenders in cases of intimate partner violence and to connect victims with services. Information is used to aid the criminal justice system in allocating resources.

Through October 2017, Tubman worked with 448 criminal cases and assisted with 107 Orders for Protection. Orders for Protection increased 15 percent in 2017 over 2016.

The contract extension is through 2018, and includes a 4 percent increase for costs of service, for a total of \$169,395.

Contact: Terry Thomas, Jr., Community Corrections Deputy Director, 651-430-6951

Sheriff's Office receives AED pads, batteries from resident

Washington County resident Mark Altman, Scandia, has donated 10 automatic external defibrillator (AED) lithium batteries and 16 AED pads to the Sheriff's Office.

The County Board accepted the gift Jan. 9.

The AED pads are valued at \$51 each and the AED batteries are valued at \$398 each, making the total value of the donation \$4,796.

Contact: Sheriff Dan Starry, 651-430-7601