## Mutual Aid Agreement San Andreas State Fire Marshal's Office & Blaine County Sheriff's Office Safe Streets Bureau

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<u>Purpose:</u> The purpose of this Mutual Aid Agreement is to direct roles in investigations, help reduce confusion on the scene and produce a cooperative and effective investigation.

On Fire Investigation scenes in Blaine County,, San Andreas State Fire Marshals may request BCSO SSB and their respective divisions for the following reasons.

Illegal Narcotics in Mass Quantities - ACE Bodies Found On Scene - CID Warrant Operations - ACE

The two subdivisions will work together to achieve a common goal. Determining the cause for the incident and apprehending those at fault for crimes involving and related to arson.

## **Incidents Regarding Illegal Narcotics:**

In scenes of Arsons within the Blaine County area,, SASFM has primary jurisdiction on the scene. However, if any illegal narcotics are found on the scene, SASFM is required to call in the BCSO Safe Streets Bureau. Until an Investigation Report is turned into the SASFM Chain of Command, SAFR SASFM & BCSO ACE are required to work together in apprehending the suspected arsonist. If there are believed to be 2 or more suspects (one for arson and one for narcotics), SASFM and BCSO ACE will work on the case together to track down both subjects. BCSO ACE Investigators will be allowed to sit in on interrogations of the arson suspect if it is believed to assist in the apprehension of the narcotics suspect. In addition, SASFM Deputy Fire Marshals will be allowed to sit in on interrogations if it is believed to assist in the apprehension of the arson suspect.

## **Bodies Found On Scene:**

If a body is found on the scene of an arson, SSB CID is to be called to the scene and CID will take primary on the case with SASFM assisting. SASFM is to assist in the capacity of how the fire started and if it led to the cause of death. This will assist the CID detective in finding out how the person may have died and find the fugitive as finding the arsonist may be one way of finding the killer.

**Warrant Operations:** 

When SASFM has found a suspect and needs to file a warrant, they will file one with the Justice Department and wait for the approval. If the warrant falls within the limits of Blaine County, SASFM will contact SSB ACE to get together and serve the warrant for SASFM. Members of SASFM will wait outside the building while ACE secures the property or person. Once the subject is apprehended, the Justice Department will be notified and the subject will be handed off to the SASFM investigator.

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