



## FACT SHEET:

# California Approves Hundreds of Millions to Crack Down on Organized Retail Crime

**WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:** As part of Governor Newsom's **Real Public Safety Plan**, this week the state awarded the **largest-ever single investment** to combat organized retail crime in California history, sending over \$267 million to **55 cities and counties** — including yours — to increase arrests and prosecutions for organized retail crime.



### MORE FUNDING TO COMBAT ORGANIZED RETAIL CRIME:

The state's **Organized Retail Theft Grant Program** is awarding local law enforcement agencies in **seven counties** and **31 cities** up to **\$23,663,194 each**. The funding will create fully staffed retail theft investigative units, increase arrests, crack down on vehicle and catalytic converter theft — and more. Click here to see your community's submitted [project scopes](#) → and [funding](#) →



### MORE FUNDING TO PROSECUTE SUSPECTS:

The state's **Vertical Prosecution Grant Program** is awarding district attorney offices up to **\$2,050,000 each** to establish new vertical prosecution units — teams dedicated to prosecuting organized retail theft. Click here to see your community's submitted [project scopes](#) → and [funding](#) →



### MORE PARTNERSHIP:

Local efforts in your community are supported by the **California Highway Patrol's Organized Retail Theft Task Force** (ORCTF), which successfully dismantles large-scale statewide organized crime operations. Established by Governor Newsom in 2019, the ORCTF has recovered over \$30.7 million in stolen merchandise, conducted more than 1,850 investigations, and arrested over 1,250 individuals statewide.

## SHARE THE GOOD NEWS:

Highlight how your community is fighting organized retail crime and what this means:

*"Thank you @CAGovernor for supporting efforts to stop retail theft. This critical funding will support our city's police investigations and ensure our DA has the resources they need to prosecute those who commit crimes against our businesses."*