Local Police SFChronicle Seek Funds for Nixon Security

San Clemente

The San Clemente police department has asked the federal government for \$192,000 to maintain security around the home of Richard M. Nixon now that the former President's Secret Service protection has been cut back.

Chief Mel Portner said the department has requested a renewal of a Law Enforcement Assistance Administration grant which has augmented the regular police budget for the past five years.

The grant will maintain eight extra officers — a sergeant, two detectives and five patrolmen — to meet secutity needs at the Nixon compound, Portner said.

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