



Staff Report

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REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION

DATE: 10/04/2023

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Police Department

SUBJECT:

ACCEPTANCE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY SELECTIVE TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM FEDERAL GRANT AWARD

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This staff report asks City Council to accept the State of California Office of Traffic Safety Selective Traffic Enforcement Program Federal Grant Award of \$149,000 and appropriate the funds for the purchase of equipment, supplies, and project overtime in support of the program.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the City Council:

- a. Authorize the acceptance of the State of California Office of the Traffic Safety Selective Traffic Enforcement Program Federal Award Grant number PT24050 of \$149,000 for Local Law Enforcement Agencies.
- b. Appropriate \$149,000 of one-time money from the unappropriated General Fund Balance to the Police Department's operating budget to be reimbursed from the State of California Office of Traffic Safety and increase the General Fund estimated revenue by the same amount for the program award.
- c. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute any required grant documents that are in compliance with the City Council's actions hereunder.

BACKGROUND & HISTORY:

The Office of Traffic Safety Selective Traffic Enforcement Program provides grant funding for specific projects that address the priorities of the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program. This program utilizes best practice strategies to reduce the number of persons killed and injured in crashes involving alcohol and other primary crash factors. Specific projects addressing these priorities include: driving under the influence saturation patrols, sobriety checkpoints, collaborative driving

under the influence enforcement, traffic safety education including Drive for Life, distracted driving enforcement, traffic enforcement, bicycle and pedestrian enforcement, collaborative traffic enforcement, street racing and sideshow enforcement operations, and motorcycle safety enforcement.

The Police Department has successfully applied for funding from the State of California Office of Traffic Safety for the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program for Local Law Enforcement Agencies.

ANALYSIS:

This grant will support the Office of Traffic Safety’s priority program areas outlined above. In addition, the City of Corona’s Police Department will participate in and report data for various campaigns, such as the Distracted Driving Awareness Month in April 2024 and participate in the statewide Click It or Ticket mobilization period in May 2024.

The grant will also provide some DUI checkpoint equipment and supplies and authorizes training costs. The training funding will allow four officers to attend Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST) and Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) classes. One officer is authorized to attend the Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) Training, and one officer will attend the DRE Recertification training.

The grant is a one-time award for General Fund reimbursement of equipment, designated training, and project overtime in support of the program. The grant performance period is from October 1, 2023, to September 30, 2024.

The City Attorney has reviewed and approved as to form the proposed Grant Agreement.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Approval of the recommended actions will result in an appropriation of \$149,000 from the unappropriated General Fund Balance to the Police Department’s operating budget to be reimbursed from the State of California Office of Traffic Safety and an increase in General Fund estimated revenues by the same amount for the program award. Expenditures will be reimbursed to the General Fund after submitting the quarterly claim amounts in that period. There is no cash match requirement. Any remaining budget from Fiscal Year 2024 will carry forward into Fiscal Year 2025.

<u>Police Department</u>	<u>Grant Award</u>
Estimated Overtime Enforcement	\$134,646
Training	4,999
<u>DUI Equipment and Supplies</u>	<u>9,355</u>
Total	\$149,000

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

This action is exempt pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the Guidelines for the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), which states that a project is exempt from CEQA if the activity is covered by the common sense exemption that CEQA applies only to projects that have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is

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no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA. This action of direct enforcement is minimal and there is no possibility this will have a significant effect on the environment. Therefore, no environmental analysis is required.

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REVIEWED BY: ROBERT NEWMAN, CHIEF OF POLICE

Attachments:

1. Exhibit 1 - State of California Office of Traffic Safety Grant Agreement PT24050