

# WASHOE COUNTY

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## **STAFF REPORT BOARD MEETING DATE:** June 24, 2025

- **DATE:** Wednesday, June 18, 2025
  - **TO:** Board of County Commissioners
- **FROM:** Jon Miller, Sergeant, Traffic Unit 775-328-3350, jomiller@washoecounty.gov
- THROUGH: Darin Balaam, Sheriff
  - **SUBJECT:** Recommendation to accept from the State of Nevada Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety additional funding [increase of \$6,400.00 for a total of \$13,900.00, 25% in-kind county match required] as administered through the State of Nevada Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office for reimbursement of overtime costs related to DUI enforcement, for the retroactive grant period of October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025; and direct Finance to make the necessary budget amendments. (All Commission Districts.)

## **SUMMARY**

This item is presented seeking approval to accept additional funding from the State of Nevada Department of Public Safety Office of Traffic Safety. Per county policy, the Washoe County Board of County Commissioners must accept grant awards and direct Finance to make the necessary budget amendments.

Additional grant funding has been awarded for reimbursement of overtime costs related to conducting driving under the influence (DUI) saturation patrols. This grant seeks to reduce the number of vehicle accidents and traffic violations related to DUI on Washoe County roadways. The Washoe County Sheriff's Office is a partnering agency in this statewide initiative to reduce crashes and violations through driver education and enforcement.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Vulnerable Populations: Coordination between agencies and communication of programs

## PREVIOUS ACTION

On October 22, 2024, the Board of County Commissioners approved Item 11.G.1., the Sheriff's Office request to accept this FY25 OTS DUI Enforcement grant [amount not to exceed \$7,500.00, 25% in-kind county match required] as administered through the State of Nevada Department of Public Safety Office of Traffic Safety to fund reimbursement of

overtime costs related to conducting DUI saturation patrols for the grant period of the Effective Date of Authorization through September 30, 2025.

On September 10, 2024, the Board of County Commissioners approved Item 13, the Sheriff's Office request to accept additional funding for the FY24 OTS DUI Enforcement grant [amount not to exceed \$28,300.00, 25% in-kind county match required] as administered through the State of Nevada Department of Public Safety Office of Traffic Safety to fund reimbursement of overtime costs related to conducting DUI saturation patrols for the retroactive grant period of October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024.

On November 14, 2023, the Board of County Commissioners approved Item 9.H.3., the Sheriff's Office request to accept the FY24 OTS DUI Enforcement grant [amount not to exceed \$25,000.00, 25% in-kind county match required] as administered through the State of Nevada Department of Public Safety Office of Traffic Safety to fund reimbursement of overtime costs related to conducting DUI saturation patrols for the grant period of October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024.

On November 15, 2022, the Board of County Commissioners approved Item 9.F.2., the Sheriff's Office request to accept the FY23 OTS DUI Enforcement grant [amount not to exceed \$25,000.00, 25% in-kind county match required] as administered through the State of Nevada Department of Public Safety Office of Traffic Safety to fund reimbursement of overtime costs related to conducting DUI saturation patrols for the retroactive grant period of October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023.

On December 14, 2021, the Board of County Commissioners approved Item 10.K.6., the Sheriff's Office request to accept the FY22 DUI Enforcement grant [amount not to exceed \$30,000.00, 25% in-kind county match required] as administered through the State of Nevada Department of Public Safety Office of Traffic Safety to fund reimbursement of overtime costs related to conducting DUI saturation patrols for the retroactive grant period of October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022.

## **BACKGROUND**

In October 2024, the Washoe County Sheriff's Office was awarded a FY25 grant [amount not to exceed \$7,500.00, 25% in-kind county match required] administered through the State of Nevada Department of Public Safety Office of Traffic Safety to conduct DUI saturation patrols. The Washoe County Sheriff's Office has been successful and recognized a need for more proactive, targeted enforcement to protect the motoring public on Washoe County roadways. The State of Nevada Department of Public Safety Office of Traffic Safety has approved \$6,400.00 in additional funds to continue this enforcement.

## **GRANT AWARD SUMMARY**

Project/Program Name:	FY25 OTS DUI Enforcement
Scope of the Project:	Conduct DUI saturation patrols throughout Washoe County.

**Benefit to Washoe County Residents:** Safer roads for our community, and a reduction in DUI drivers and crashes on Washoe County roadways.

#### **On-Going Program Support:** *N*/*A*

Award Amount:	\$6,400.00	
Grant Period:	October 1, 2024 – September 30, 2025	
Funding Source:	US Department of Transportation	
Pass Through Entity:	State of Nevada Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety	
Assistance Listing #/CFDA: 20.608		
Grant ID Number:	TSEP-2025-00041	
Match Amount and Type:	25%, in-kind. Match will be met with straight time hours worked during each event, project manager administration time for project activities, and vehicle use while conducting saturation patrols at \$20 per hour.	

Sub-Awards and Contracts: None

## FISCAL IMPACT

Should the Board accept this grant award and approve these amendments, the FY25 Washoe County Sheriff's Office adopted budget will be increased by \$6,400.00 in both revenues and expenditures.

Cost Object & Description	G/L Account & Description	Amount
IO-12437 FY25 OTS DUI	431100-Federal Grants	\$6,400.00
IO-12437 FY25 OTS DUI	701300-Overtime	\$6,400.00

- 25% match required Regular hours worked
- Indirect costs are not allowable on this grant award as no salary or wages are included in the grant budget.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners accept from the State of Nevada Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety additional funding [increase of \$6,400.00 for a total of \$13,900.00, 25% in-kind county match required] as administered through the State of Nevada Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office for reimbursement of overtime costs related to DUI enforcement, for the retroactive grant period of October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025; and direct Finance to make the necessary budget amendments.

## POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "Move to accept from the State of Nevada Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety additional funding [increase of \$6,400.00 for a total of \$13,900.00, 25% in-kind county match required] as administered through the State of Nevada Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office for reimbursement of overtime costs related to DUI enforcement, for the retroactive grant period of October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025; and direct Finance to make the necessary budget amendments."