



WASHOE COUNTY

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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: February 11, 2025

DATE: Thursday, February 06, 2025

TO: Board of County Commissioners

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SUBJECT: Recommendation to accept a Justice Assistance Grant award [amount not to exceed \$57,284.00, no County match required] as administered through the State of Nevada Department of Public Safety Office, Office of Criminal Justice Assistance, to cover the cost of ballistic helmets, ballistic plates, plate carriers and accessories for the Consolidated Bomb Squad, Special Operations Division, for the retroactive grant period of January 1, 2025 through September 30, 2025; authorize the Sheriff to retroactively execute the award document; and if approved, direct Finance to make the necessary budget amendments. (All Commission Districts)

SUMMARY

This grant has been awarded to cover the costs of ballistic helmets, ballistic plates, plate carriers and accessories for the Consolidated Bomb Squad. The requested ballistic protection is the first layer of personal protective equipment for our bomb technicians while interrogating and completing render safe operations on a suspected or actual improvised explosive devices and other explosive hazards.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Safe, secure and healthy communities.

PREVIOUS ACTION

None

BACKGROUND

The Washoe County Sheriff's Office has been awarded the Justice Assistance Grant to our Special Operations Division to allow the Consolidated Bomb Squad to purchase ballistic helmets, ballistic plates, plate carriers and accessories. The requested ballistic

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protection provides the basic level of personal protective equipment for bomb technicians when handling explosive hazards. This equipment is required for accreditation as a public safety bomb squad.

Reason for retroactive submittal: Item was submitted to the first available Board of County Commissioners meeting once all paperwork was received and processed for the grant period of January 1, 2025 through September 30, 2025.

GRANT AWARD SUMMARY

Project/Program Name: *Consolidated Bomb Squad Personal Protective Equipment*

Scope of the Project: *Purchase bomb squad ballistic personal protective equipment*

Benefit to Washoe County Residents: *Public safety during special events and other demands.*

On-Going Program Support: *N/A*

Award Amount: *\$57,284.00*

Grant Period: *January 1, 2025 through September 30, 2025*

Funding Source: *U.S. Department of Justice*

Pass through From: *State of Nevada Department of Public Safety, Office of Criminal Justice Assistance*

CFDA Number: *16.738*

Grant ID Number: *22-JAG-26*

Match Amount and Type: *No Match Required*

Sub-Awards and Contracts: *None*

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the Board accept this award and approve these amendments, the adopted FY25 Sheriff's Office budget will be increased by \$57,284.00 in both revenues and expenditures in the following accounts:

Cost Object & Description	G/L Account & Description	Amount
IO-12481 Consolidated Bomb Squad Personal Protective Equipment	431100-Federal Grants	\$57,284.00

IO-12481 Consolidated Bomb Squad Personal Protective Equipment	711504-Equipment Non-Capital	\$57,284.00
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- *No match required.*
- *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 a Justice Assistance Grant award [amount not to exceed \$57,284.00, no County match required] as administered through the State of Nevada Department of Public Safety Office, Office of Criminal Justice Assistance, to cover the cost of ballistic helmets, ballistic plates, plate carriers and accessories for the Consolidated Bomb Squad, Special Operations Division, for the retroactive grant period of January 1, 2025 through September 30, 2025; authorize the Sheriff to retroactively execute the award document; and if approved, direct Finance to make the necessary budget amendments.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "Move accept a Justice Assistance Grant award [amount not to exceed \$57,284.00, no County match required] as administered through the State of Nevada Department of Public Safety Office, Office of Criminal Justice Assistance, to cover the cost of ballistic helmets, ballistic plates, plate carriers and accessories for the Consolidated Bomb Squad, Special Operations Division, for the retroactive grant period of January 1, 2025 through September 30, 2025; authorize the Sheriff to retroactively execute the award document; and if approved, direct Finance to make the necessary budget amendments."