

WASHOE COUNTY

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STAFF REPORT BOARD MEETING DATE: October 22, 2024

- DATE: Thursday, October 17, 2024
 - TO: Board of County Commissioners
- **FROM:** Miguel Diaz, Sergeant, Patrol Division (775) 328-3350 mdiaz@washoecounty.gov
- THROUGH: Darin Balaam, Sheriff
 - **SUBJECT:** Recommendation to accept the FY 2025 Office of Traffic Safety award from the State of Nevada Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety [amount not to exceed \$5,000.00, 25% In-Kind county match required] as administered through the State of Nevada Department of Public Safety Office of Traffic Safety, to cover overtime costs related to conducting speed enforcement, for the grant term which will begin upon receipt of the Authorization to Proceed notification through September 30, 2025 and if approved, direct Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments and authorize Sheriff Balaam to execute grant award documents. (All Commission Districts.)

SUMMARY

This grant has been awarded to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office and seeks to reduce the number of vehicle accidents involving pedestrians in school zones. Washoe County Sheriff's Office is a partnering agency in this statewide initiative through increased speed enforcement within Washoe County School Zones.

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

PREVIOUS ACTION

On December 19, 2023 the Board of County Commissioners approved Item 8.I.1. Office of Traffic Safety funding from the State of Nevada for School Zone traffic events.

On April 25, 2023 the Board of County Commissioners approved Item 7.D.2. Office of Traffic Safety funding from the State of Nevada for School Zone traffic events.

The Washoe County Board of Commissioners has accepted the State of Nevada Department of Public Safety Office of Traffic Safety funding in support of school zone traffic enforcement since 2023.

BACKGROUND

The Washoe County Sheriff's Office has been awarded a grant with the Nevada Office of Traffic Safety to deploy dedicated speed enforcement throughout Washoe County in an effort to reduce the number of vehicle accidents involving pedestrians in school zones. This grant will pay for overtime costs incurred by commissioned staff for the speed enforcement for the duration of the grant period through September 30, 2025.

GRANT AWARD SUMMARY

Project/Program Name: OTS 2025 School Zone Safety Initiative

Scope of the Project: *Conduct speed saturation patrols throughout Washoe County school zones*

Benefit to Washoe County Residents: Safer roads for our community, and a reduction in speed related accidents in school zones.

On-Going Program Support: *N/A*

Award Amount:	Total 5,000.00
Grant Period:	Authorization to Proceed-09/30/2025
Funding Source:	US Department of Transportation
Pass through From:	State of Nevada Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety

Assistance Listing #/CFDA: 20.600

Grant ID Number: TSEP-2025-WCSO-00040

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. Required match will be tracked separately by statistical order number 70855.

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 \$5,000.00 in both revenues and expenditures in the following accounts:

Cost Object & Description	G/L Account & Description	Amount
12436 – 2025 OTS School Zone	431100 – Federal Grants	\$5,000.00
12436 – 2025 OTS School Zone	701300-Overtime	\$5,000.00

- 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 the FY 2025 Office of Traffic Safety award from the State of Nevada Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety [amount not to exceed \$5,000, 25% In-Kind county match required] as administered through the State of Nevada Department of Public Safety Office of Traffic Safety, to cover overtime costs related to conducting speed enforcement, for the grant term which will begin upon receipt of the Authorization to Proceed notification through September 30, 2025 and if approved, direct Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments and authorize Sheriff Balaam to execute grant award documents.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "Move to accept the FY 2025 Office of Traffic Safety award from the State of Nevada Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety [amount not to exceed \$5,000, 25% In-Kind county match required] as administered through the State of Nevada Department of Public Safety Office of Traffic Safety, to cover overtime costs related to conducting speed enforcement, for the grant term which will begin upon receipt of the Authorization to Proceed notification through September 30, 2025 and if approved, direct Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments and authorize Sheriff Balaam to execute grant award documents.