

CITY OF YUBA CITY
STAFF REPORT

Date: June 21, 2022
To: Honorable Mayor & Members of the City Council
From: Police Department
Presentation By: Brian Baker, Police Chief

Summary

Subject: Accept Grant Funding and Expenditure Recommendations for the California Citizens' Option for Public Safety (COPS) Grant of \$100,000

Recommendation: A. Conduct a Public Hearing and after consideration;

B. Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Chief of Police to accept the FY 2021/2022 California Citizens' Option for Public Safety (COPS) funding and approve expenditure recommendations

C. Authorize the Finance Director to make a supplemental budget appropriation for grant revenues to Account No. 100-43117 and grant expenditures to Account No. 2180-69201

Fiscal Impact: \$100,000 (approximate) account 2180-69201 (State Grant Law Enforcement - Equipment). No City match required.

Council Priority:

Public Safety

Purpose:

To secure additional funding to be used toward the prevention and reduction of crime and violence.

Background:

Each year, dependent upon State Budget priorities, funds may be allocated to law enforcement agencies to assist in carrying out priorities as established by the Chief of Police (or the Sheriff in unincorporated areas or contract cities). Over the last several years, monies have been made available through the State of California to local law enforcement entities in the form of Citizens' Option for Public Safety (COPS) grant.

This year the Yuba City Police Department will receive approximately \$100,000. The State Government Code restricts the money to be used for front line law enforcement purposes and may not be used to supplant any existing law enforcement services provided by the City. The funds from this grant are not required to be utilized in full each year. As a result, there is a fund balance of \$298,261 as of June 7,

2022.

Analysis:

The Police Department has traditionally utilized funding obtained in this grant for the major approval expenditure category of technology advancements, critical patrol safety equipment and infrastructure improvements for the benefit of frontline law enforcement delivery to the citizens of our community.

Funding directions are based upon needs assessments from the Department management group in consultation with the rank and file employees and input from the City's IT staff and our Research and Development Unit. Prior years expenditures have been for such items as: Complete infrastructure upgrade of the police radio system inclusive of acquisition of a secondary repeater radio frequency and related equipment, the Sutter Buttes Radio Interoperability Project Phase One, Emergency Operations Center retrofit, a total service weapon upgrade for all officers, equipping all patrol vehicles with mobile data terminals integrated with the Police Communications Center, required upgrades in the Fire/Police Computer Aided Dispatching System, installation of secure video conferencing capabilities, acquisition of satellite emergency communications capabilities with the California Office of Emergency Services (California Warning Center) and FEMA. We would suggest a continuation along this path of technology evaluation and implementation, along with some much-needed patrol staffing equipment upgrades, which has served us very well over the last 10 years and gained the City both State and National recognition as a technological leader in law enforcement.

Due to the large fund balance currently on hand, the department recommends making the following purchases:

Patrol Related Items

- Individual first aid kits for staff and additional first aid supplies for patrol units. **\$5100**
- (1) Autel Robotics EVO II Dual 640R Bundle. This will allow for night flying operations. Drones have been utilized on patrol to help apprehend fleeing suspects safely and can be used during search and rescue operations. **\$10,500**
- (12) Mats for defensive tactics instruction. These mats can be utilized during defensive tactics training to prevent injury while enhancing the type of training officers receive. **\$3400**
- Neese waterproof raincoats for staff, ensure compliance with visibility standards. **\$5100**
- Level IV ballistic trauma plates for officers. **\$6000**

Investigations

- (5) Laptop computers for investigations. **\$7,500**

Technology

- Data Pilot-prescreens cellular phones for child pornography and other evidence. **\$5,700**

SWAT

- (10) Dual Fuel Scout Light Pro rifle lights. **\$3600**
- Vulcan Munitions Pole, **\$1800**
- (2) Sniper Rifles with necessary equipment. **\$11,000**
- 1 Lenco Bearcat SWAT vehicle. **\$160,000 (this will be a shared portion with VRF monies of \$155,000 total cost of vehicle is \$315,000)**

Recruitment

- Community engagement supplies for the recruitment of all staff positions in the police department **\$20,000**

TOTAL: \$239,700

Any remaining money can be used as a contingency since these are approximate numbers and not based on competitive bids, at this time, or additional items that are identified at a later date for use by the department.

Fiscal Impact:

\$100,000 Account No. 2180-69201 (State Grant Law Enforcement-Equipment). Authorize the Finance Director to make a supplemental budget appropriation for grant revenues to Account No. 100-43117 and grant expenditures to Account No. 2180-69201.

Alternatives:

Provide staff with alternative spending paths which will not supplant routine expenditures in the general fund.

Recommendation:

1. Conduct a public hearing and after consideration;
2. Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Chief of Police to accept the FY 2021/2022 California Citizens' Option for Public Safety (COPS) funding and approve expenditure recommendations

3. Authorize the Chief Financial Officer to make budget adjustments as necessary.

Note: *Public Hearing notification requirements have been met.*

Attachments:

1. ATTACHMENT A 2021-2022 COPS Grant

Prepared By:
Brian Baker
Chief of Police

Submitted By:
Diana Langley
City Manager

ATTACHMENT A

RESOLUTION NO. ____

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YUBA CITY
AUTHORIZING RECEIPT, ALLOCATION AND EXPENDITURE, OF
THE FY 2021-2022 STATE OF CALIFORNIA CITIZENS' OPTION
FOR PUBLIC SAFETY GRANT (COPS GRANT)**

BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YUBA CITY AS FOLLOWS:

That the City, through the Chief Financial Officer and the Chief of Police, accept, account for, track, allocate and expend as directed the FY 21/22 California Citizens' Option for Public Safety Grant. It is acknowledged the Citizens' Option funding would be in the amount of approximately \$100,000. It is recognized there is no cash match requirement.

That said expenditures be in accordance with grant guidelines, specifically in the area of frontline law enforcement uses and related infrastructure/technology improvements as might be deemed appropriate by the Chief of Police consistent with the practice and Council policy of this and previous years.

That said purchases be in accordance with State of California and City of Yuba City purchasing guidelines.

That the Chief Financial Officer be given authority to adjust the budget as required for grant purposes.

The foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly introduced, passed, and adopted by the City Council of the City of Yuba City at a regular meeting thereof held on the 21st day of June 2022.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ATTEST:

Dave Shaw, Mayor

Ciara Wakefield, Deputy City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Shannon L. Chaffin, City Attorney
Aleshire & Wynder, LLP