

CITY OF YUBA CITY
STAFF REPORT

Date: February 17, 2015

To: Honorable Mayor John Dukes & Members of the City Council

From: Police Department

Presentation By: Robert D. Landon, Chief of Police

Summary

Subject: 2014 Homeland Security Grant Program

Recommendation: Accept a total of \$28,881 in funding from the 2014 Homeland Security Grant and authorize appropriate modification to the Police Department's budget.

Fiscal Impact: \$28,881.00 to Account No.100-43420 (Federal Law Enforcement Grant) – (No City match required). Funds will be drawn down through Account No. 2193-69201.

Purpose:

To enhance police department response capabilities by purchasing upgraded radios for unmarked vehicles with grant funds.

Background:

In an effort for local agencies to be better prepared to deal with weapons of mass destruction, the Federal Department of Homeland Security, in conjunction with the State of California, allocated funding will be distributed to all of the counties and local agencies within the State under the 2014 Homeland Security Grant program.

The goal, as in the case of earlier disaster preparedness and homeland security grants, is to provide first responders with the tools to better deal with natural disasters, as well as man-made emergencies.

The City Council previously approved requests from the Police Department for equipment and training to be purchased from earlier homeland security grant programs.

Analysis:

After careful review by staff members of the Yuba City Police Department, equipment purchases that will enhance our officers' capability to prevent and respond to emergencies were identified.

The Yuba City Police Department is requesting authorization to spend the full amount of our allocation towards the purchase and installation of five mobile radios for five unmarked vehicles. The radios will provide enhanced capability and safety for our personnel primarily because they can operate without being connected to the officer's portable radio as is

required by the existing mobile radio equipment in these vehicles. The remaining unmarked fleet will be transitioned to these upgraded radios as additional funding becomes available.

Fiscal Impact:

Under the Homeland Security Grant, money spent on authorized purchases by local agencies will be 100% reimbursed by the State. Once the equipment is purchased, the proper documentation will be forwarded through the County of Sutter for State reimbursement up to our total allotment of \$28,881. The reimbursement will be placed into the appropriate revenue account when received.

Alternatives:

Do not approve the grant award.

Recommendation:

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