

TO: James L. App, City Manager
FROM: Dennis J. Cassidy, Chief of Police
SUBJECT: 2002-2003 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Award
DATE: September 17, 2002

NEEDS: For the City Council to consider acceptance of a \$15,299.00 award granted by the Bureau of Justice Assistance Programs.

- FACTS:**
1. In July of 2002, the Police Department applied for a Local Law Enforcement Block Grant available from the Bureau of Justice Assistance Program.
 2. In August of 2002, the City of Paso Robles Police Department was notified that we are eligible to receive the \$15,299 award.
 3. To participate and receive the \$15,299, the City must make a cash match of \$1,700, for a total participation amount of \$16,999, to be used to purchase a variety of equipment.
 4. The City must also meet the following two significant conditions for funding:
 - a. Public Hearing
A public hearing must be held regarding the proposed use of payment under the grant in relation to the City's entire budget. This will be accomplished at the regularly scheduled City Council meeting during their review of this staff report. Public comment will be invited.
 - b. Advisory Board
An advisory board, consisting of members from the Police Department, Local court system, the District Attorney's office, the School district, and a member of a local nonprofit, educational, religious or community group must also convene to review the application for funding and make recommendations for the use of funds received under the grant. This Advisory Board approved the proposed spending plan on August 26, 2002.
 5. The Police Department has identified the following equipment needs, which may be purchased with this grant funding: (See attachment 1)
 - a.) Two (2) ATV's, a trailer to carry the ATV's, and emergency and safety equipment (including helmets, emergency lighting and siren, and accessories to carry supplies) for a total of approximately \$17,000.

**ANALYSIS &
CONCLUSION:**

This is the seventh year our agency has received an award under the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant program. The purpose of the LLEBG is to support law enforcement by supplementing local budgets to pay for programs and/or equipment. This grant offers the opportunity for the City of Paso Robles to offset the cost of purchasing needed equipment.

The Paso Robles Police Department has the responsibility to patrol all areas within the city limits of Paso Robles. This includes areas inaccessible to the normal patrol vehicle. An all-terrain vehicle (ATV) would allow quick response to those areas and allow for use at other calls and events.

It is the Police Department's intention to purchase two ATV's, a transport trailer, and all necessary safety equipment required to safely transport and operate these All Terrain Vehicles.

POLICY

REFERENCE: None

FISCAL

IMPACT: One time cost of \$1,700 to be paid through anticipated salary saving expected this budget year.

OPTIONS:

- a. Adopt Resolution No. 02-xxx authorizing the Police Department to meet the grant conditions and accept the award, allocating the total grant award of \$15,299 and the City's matching contribution of \$1,700 to purchase the identified equipment.
- b. Amend, modify or reject the above option.

RESOLUTION NO. 02-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASO ROBLES
AUTHORIZING THE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO RELEASE A DIRECT GRANT
AWARD TO SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY AS PART OF THE
REGIONAL JUVENILE CRIME ENFORCEMENT COALITION

WHEREAS, the City Council of El Paso de Robles has been notified of eligibility of a Local Law Enforcement Block grant award; and

WHEREAS, the City was awarded the grant for the purpose of purchasing equipment for law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, the grant funds need to be appropriated to the Police Department 02/03 FY budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles does authorize the acceptance of Federal grant funds in the amount of \$15,299 for the acquisition of police equipment to enhance enforcement operations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles does authorize a one time budget appropriation in the amount of \$15,299 to budget account 100-210-5212-136 and that the Department is authorized to utilize \$1,700 of existing budget resources from 100-210-5212-136 as the City's matching funds.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Paso Robles this 17th day of September 2002 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Frank Mecham, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sharilyn M. Ryan, Deputy City Clerk