

TO: James L. App, City Manager
FROM: Dennis J. Cassidy, Chief of Police
SUBJECT: 2003-2004 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Award
DATE: November 4, 2003

NEEDS: For the City Council to consider acceptance of an \$11,030 award granted by the Bureau of Justice Assistance Programs.

FACTS:

1. On August 5, 2003, the Police Department applied for a Local Law Enforcement Block Grant available from the Bureau of Justice Assistance Program.
2. On August 19, 2003, the City of Paso Robles Police Department was notified that we are eligible to receive the \$11,030 award.
3. To participate and receive the \$11,030, the City must make a cash match of \$1,226, for a total participation amount of \$12,256 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 October 31, 2003.
5. The Paso Robles Police Department is continuing the process of replacing antiquated equipment and software with state-of-the-art technology that will provide us with the necessary components for dispatching resources, maintaining historical data, tracking evidence and property and preparing necessary reports in a more professional and timely manner. With the acceptance of the above described LLEBG funds, additional needed technological equipment / software can be purchased which will interface with existing equipment and enhance existing capabilities which will allow us to better utilize the systems that are now in place.

**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.

**POLICY
REFERENCE:**

None

**FISCAL
IMPACT:**

One time cost of \$1,226 to be paid through anticipated salary saving expected this budget year.

OPTIONS:

- a.** Adopt Resolution No. 03-xx authorizing the Police Department to meet the grant conditions and accept the award, allocating the total grant award of \$11,030 and the City's matching contribution of \$1,226 to purchase the identified equipment.
- b.** Amend, modify or reject the above option.

RESOLUTION NO. 03-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASO ROBLES
AUTHORIZING THE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO ACCEPT AN \$11,030 AWARD
GRANTED BY THE BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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 03/04 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 \$11,030 for the acquisition of equipment and software with state-of-the-art technology that will provide us with the necessary components for dispatching resources, maintaining historical data, tracking evidence and property and preparing necessary reports in a more professional and timely manner.

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 \$11,030 to budget account 100-210-5212-136 and that the Department is authorized to utilize \$1,226 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 4th day of November 2003 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Frank R. Mecham, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sharilyn M. Ryan, Deputy City Clerk