

TO: James L. App, City Manager
FROM: Dennis J. Cassidy, Chief of Police
SUBJECT: Budget Appropriation Transfer – State Farm Grant Award
DATE: January 17, 2006

NEEDS: For the City Council to consider adoption of a resolution authorizing a one time budget appropriation to the patrol program from the City's donation fund to appropriate monies received under a local State Farm Insurance grant program.

- FACTS:**
1. State Farm Insurance awarded a "Good Neighbor" grant to the Paso Robles Police Department and the Paso Robles Public Schools in December, 2005.
 2. Police and School officials designed a traffic safety education program that will teach pedestrian safety, bicycle safety, occupant restraint safety, school bus safety and safe routes to schools to Paso Robles students.
 3. The grant funding is in the amount of \$8,400 for the purchase of safety booklets and materials, a cordless handheld radar unit and a portable vehicle speed warning device.
 4. The Police Department and the School District will contribute staff hours to implement these programs with existing personnel. No additional costs will be incurred by the City.

**ANALYSIS &
CONCLUSION:**

State Farm Insurance has awarded the Police Department and the Paso Robles Public Schools this grant funding to provide a quality traffic safety program to kids with a focus on providing enhanced safety on school routes and around school grounds. With this funding, the program will provide elementary school students with the opportunity to conduct speed surveys in front of their schools to document the speed of vehicles on a particular roadway. They will utilize the portable radar unit to gather data. With this information, police will design education and enforcement activities to lower speeds in school zones. The radar will also be utilized in residential areas by residents complaining of speeding vehicles. Students will be called upon to teach traffic safety to their parents and family members. They will inform others of the importance of wearing seat belts and safety practices for school zones. A "Crossing Guardian" portable vehicle speed device will be set up at school crossings while children are present to read the speed of approaching vehicles and give a visual display of speed for drivers to see. The Police Department and the Schools will contribute approximately 480 staffing hours through existing personnel to administer the program. The goal is to work with our young residents to improve traffic safety in and around school zones through education.

**POLICY
REFERENCE:**

None

**FISCAL
IMPACT:**

\$8,400.00 in one-time revenue from State Farm Insurance and \$8,400 on time expenditure to Police Department patrol account.

OPTIONS:

- a. Adopt Resolution No. 06-xx authorizing a one-time budget appropriation in the amount of \$8,400 to the Police Department patrol account number 100-210-5212-136 with an offsetting adjustment to donations revenue account number 100-000-4801-000 in the amount of \$8,400.
- b. Amend, modify, or reject the above option.

RESOLUTION NO. 06-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASO ROBLES
AUTHORIZING A ONE-TIME BUDGET APPROPRIATION FOR
THE PURCHASE OF MATERIAL AND EQUIPMENT RELATED TO THE
TRAFFIC SAFETY EDUCATION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Police Department and the Paso Robles Public Schools received grant funding from State Farm Insurance for the purpose of providing traffic safety education to elementary school students; and

WHEREAS, said agencies have collaborated to design a quality traffic safety program which meets the criteria of the grant; and

WHEREAS, the grant award in the amount of \$8,400 has been received and deposited into donation account number 100-000-4801-000;

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles that the City Council does authorize a one-time budget appropriation in the amount of \$8,400 to the Police Department patrol budget account number 100-210-5212-136 and an offsetting adjustment to donations revenue account number 100-000-4801-000 in the amount of \$8,400.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Paso Robles this 17th day of January, 2006 by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

Frank R. Mecham, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cathy M. David, Deputy City Clerk