

City of Fayetteville Staff Review Form

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Greg Tabor

10/31/2017

POLICE (200)

Submitted By

Submitted Date

Division / Department

Action Recommendation:

Staff recommends acceptance of a 50% matching grant award from the 2017 Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) Grant Program for the replacement of 19 body armor vests for our police officers and approval of a budget adjustment in the amount of \$6,070 to recognize grant funding. Matching funds in the amount of \$6,070 are budgeted within Police Bulletproof Vest (project #13011-1) of the Capital Improvements Program.

Budget Impact:

1010.200.2920.5302.00

General

Account Number

Fund

37042-2017

Bulletproof Vest Partnership - 2017

Project Number

Project Title

Budgeted Item? No

Current Budget \$ -

Funds Obligated \$ -

Current Balance \$ -

Does item have a cost? NA

Item Cost

Budget Adjustment Attached? Yes

Budget Adjustment \$ 6,070.00

Remaining Budget \$ 6,070.00

Previous Ordinance or Resolution # _____

V20140710

Original Contract Number: _____

Approval Date: _____

Comments:



CITY OF
FAYETTEVILLE
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CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMO

MEETING OF NOVEMBER 21, 2017

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Greg Tabor, Chief of Police 

DATE: October 31, 2017

SUBJECT: 2017 Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program Award

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends acceptance of a 50% matching grant award from the 2017 Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) Grant Program for the replacement of 19 body armor vests for our police officers and approval of a budget adjustment in the amount of \$6,070 to recognize grant funding. Matching funds in the amount of \$6,070 are budgeted within Police Bulletproof Vest (project #13011-1) of the Capital Improvements Program.

BACKGROUND:

The BVP, created by the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act of 1998, is a unique U.S. Department of Justice initiative designed to provide a critical resource to state and local law enforcement. Since 1998, the Fayetteville Police Department has obtained grant funding in excess of \$166,000 for the purchase of body armor vests through this partnership. The BVP program provides an important component to the continuing health and welfare of our police officers. Each body armor vest has a guaranteed life of five years. All state-of-the-art body armor is custom made to the exact specifications of the wearer. This ensures all officers have our required level of protection.

DISCUSSION:

The total cost to replace 19 body armor vests is \$12,140. This grant funding by BVP will provide reimbursement of 50% (or \$6,070) of the City's expenses for the replacement of body armor vests for our police officers. The Police Department has planned for this grant matching requirement as evidenced by budgeted funds in the Capital Improvements Program's Police Bulletproof Vests (#13011-1) project.

BUDGET/STAFF IMPACT:

The City must match 50% (or \$6,070) of the total projected cost of \$12,140. Currently, matching funds are budgeted in the Capital Improvements Program's Police Bulletproof Vests (#13011-1) project. There is no staffing impact related to this grant award.

Attachments:

Budget Adjustment
Grant Award Notice
Grant Award Summary

Newman, Willie

From: owner-bvp-list@ojp.usdoj.gov on behalf of BVP <bvp@usdoj.gov>
Sent: Thursday, October 26, 2017 5:16 PM
Subject: Bulletproof Vest Partnership 2017 Awards

Dear BVP applicant,

The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) is pleased to inform you that your agency will receive an award under the Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) solicitation. These funds have been posted to your account in the BVP System. A complete list of FY 2017 BVP awards is available at: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bvpbasi/>.

The FY 2017 award may be used for National Institute of Justice (NIJ) compliant armored vests which were ordered after April 1, 2017. The deadline to request payments from the FY 2017 award is August 31, 2019, or until all available funds have been requested. Awards will not be extended past that date, and any unused funds will be forfeited.

Please see the following websites for a list of NIJ compliant vests:

Ballistic Vests: <http://nij.gov/nij/topics/technology/body-armor/compliant-ballistic-armor.htm>

Stab Resistant Vests: <http://nij.gov/nij/topics/technology/body-armor/compliant-stab-armor.htm>

As a reminder, all jurisdictions that applied for FY 2017 BVP funding certified that a mandatory wear policy was in place for their jurisdiction. BJA will be conducting reviews of the mandatory wear policies as funds are requested from the BVP System. For more information on the BVP mandatory wear policy, please see the BVP Frequently Asked Questions document: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bvpbasi/docs/FAQsBVP MandatoryWearPolicy.pdf>

Additionally, uniquely fitted armor is a new requirement in 2017. In the BVP Program, "uniquely fitted vests" means protective (ballistic or stab-resistant) armor vests that conform to the individual wearer to provide the best possible fit and coverage, through a combination of: 1) correctly-sized panels and carrier, determined through appropriate measurement, and 2) properly adjusted straps, harnesses, fasteners, flaps, or other adjustable features. The requirement that body armor be "uniquely fitted" does not necessarily require body armor that is individually manufactured based on the measurements of an individual wearer. In support of the Office of Justice Programs' efforts to improve officer safety, the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) International has made available the *Standard Practice for Body Armor Wearer Measurement and Fitting of Armor* (Active Standard ASTM E3003) available at no cost. The [Personal Armor Fit Assessment checklist](#), is excerpted from ASTM E3003.

Finally, please visit the following page for checklists and guides for each step of the BVP process: <http://ojp.gov/bvpbasi/bvpprogramresources.htm>.

For questions regarding the BVP Program or your award, please do not hesitate to contact the BVP Help Desk at vests@usdoj.gov or 1-877-758-3787.

Thank you

BVP Program Support Team
Bureau of Justice Assistance

STATUS

This "Status" page shows any pending actions that must be completed prior to program deadlines. It also provides you with payment(s) status for tracking your requests for approved funds.

- Red !'s indicate your attention is needed in order to complete a task for action.

CURRENT ACTIVITY STATUS

! If this is your jurisdiction's first time participating in the BVP Program, you will be asked to submit an ACH Vendor Enrollment/Banking Information form before any BVP funds can be disbursed. Submission of ACH Vendor Enrollment/Banking Information can only be completed if your jurisdiction has funds available. Jurisdictions that have previously received funds from BVP only need to submit a new ACH form, if the jurisdiction's banking information has changed since the last payment was disbursed.

Bank
Verification

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Application

✓ Approved by BVP

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AVAILABLE AWARDS

ATTN	Fiscal Year	Award Amount	Total Paid	Total Requests	Eligible Balance	Expiration Date
!	2016	\$13,236.70	\$1,626.09	\$0.00	\$11,610.61	08/31/2018
	2017	\$6,069.63	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,069.63	08/31/2018