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Project Title Flagstaff Police- Driving Under the Influence Task Force

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Jurisdiction

Select the Type of Jurisdiction:

City

Select the Type of Agency:

Law Enforcement

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Select the County Served:

Coconino County

Proposal Summary

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Please include a summary of funding requested by program area (Alcohol, Aggressive Driving, Occupant Protection etc...).

D.U.I. TASKFORCE OPERATIONS

The Flagstaff Police Department, in partnership with our local community, is interested in obtaining grant funding to pay for officer overtime activities associated with increased D.U.I. enforcement. The mission of the Flagstaff Police Department is to preserve life and property. One of our departmental goals is to make our city streets safer by reducing traffic-related injuries and fatalities. We feel that this can best be accomplished by increasing D.U.I. awareness through education about the dangers of driving under the influence and by directed enforcement activities that remove impaired drivers from our streets. The Flagstaff Police Department is committed to making our city streets safer for motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians. Drunk drivers present a real threat to the safety of all persons on or near the highway. The costs associated with the loss of human life, injuries and property damage is an enormous burden on our community. The total amount requested for the D.U.I. Task Force is \$45,240.00.

The Flagstaff Police Department would also like to request grant funds for the purchase of 10 speed detection devices. These speed detection instruments would provide officers the necessary tools to detect speeding vehicles and reduce speed related collisions. These tools go along with DUI detection and apprehension which makes our city streets safer. The total amount requested for the purchase of 10 speed detection devices is \$11,459.34.

Background/Problem:

Provide general characteristics of the agency, including information on population, demographics, and a description of streets and highways in the agency's jurisdiction including road mileage.

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The City of Flagstaff is the county seat of Coconino County. The city sits at approximately 7000 feet above sea level, at this altitude weather conditions significantly effect driving. Snow, rain, wind and fog frequently contribute to hazardous road conditions and collisions. These facts are amplified when impaired drivers are thrown into the mix. Statistical information for vehicles registered in Flagstaff is currently unavailable. However, the Arizona Department of Transportation indicated 172,932 are registered in Coconino County. This does not necessarily include the vehicles registered to the 18,000 plus students enrolled at Northern Arizona University and does not consider our high volume tourist related traffic. The majority of registered vehicles can be associated with Flagstaff and the surrounding commuter communities.

Streets and highways:

With a major University located in our city, both summer and winter tourist activity, we have a large volume of commuter and tourist vehicle traffic. Major roadways within our community include: Interstate 17, Interstate 40, U.S. Highway 89, U.S. Highway 180, and Historic Route 66. There are approximately 35 miles of state owned highways in the City of Flagstaff. These highways account for large numbers of interstate vehicles in transit. The local economy is dependant on tourism. The City of Flagstaff contains approximately 65 square miles, which is serviced by approximately 634 lane miles of surfaced roadways. The major commuter accessible corridors account for approximately 20 miles of road surface. The majority of impaired drivers either interdicted or arrested after being involved in a collision are found on these roads.

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Problem Statement:

What problem is your agency looking to solve with this grant? Provide appropriate data to support funding. In keeping with our mission to protect citizens, and in conjunction with area D.U.I. taskforce operations, the Flagstaff Police Department expects each of its patrol officers to proactively engage in the arrest of drunk drivers. These police officers are typically attached to patrol squads that work during the evening and nighttime hours. During their shift, these officers are responsible for answering calls for service while remaining vigilant for D.U.I. offenders.

The average D.U.I. arrest rate for a community of our size based on data from the ICMA Comparative Performance Measurement FY 2012 Data report in 2012 was 4.1 D.U.I. arrests per 1,000 population. Our tenacious efforts led to 622 D.U.I. arrests in 2013 which works out to an arrest rate of 9.6 D.U.I. arrests per 1,000 population. This was double the number of arrests which most communities of our size are reporting. Comparative data has not yet been released for 2013. However, we suspect our arrest rate of 9.6 D.U.I. arrests per 1,000 population will still be double that of comparative communities based on our aggressive enforcement (622 D.U.I. arrests, 65,000 population, = 9.6 D.U.I. arrest rate).

Despite the aggressive D.U.I. arrest rate, we feel that we have the potential to be even more effective and have a greater impact in the area of total D.U.I. detection and apprehension during peak hours. For the three-year period of 2011 through 2013, the Flagstaff Police Department made a total of 2,229 D.U.I. arrests. During this same period, the department had a total of 7,718 motor vehicle collisions. This accident total includes 1,126 state collisions where injuries were reported and 14 state collisions where fatalities were reported. Again, for the same period the Flagstaff Police Department issued 5,675 civil speed citations, 21 of which were issued for aggressive driving and 25 for criminal speed.

During this three year period, we had 62 injury collisions and 2 fatal collisions that were alcohol related, 319 injury collisions were speed related out of 1,126 total injury accidents. This shows that 5.7% of our injury collisions are alcohol related, and 28% are speed related, which we feel is unacceptable. We feel there is a direct correlation between the removal of impaired drivers from the roadways and the reduction of alcohol and/or drug related injury or fatality motor vehicle accidents. Our proposal concerns the granting of overtime reimbursement funds for directed patrol efforts at interdiction of impaired drivers. In addition, we would like to supply officers with the necessary tools to perform their jobs and is the reason we are asking for speed detection devices. As listed above, our officers have achieved some success to date while working regular shifts and handling responsibilities for all calls for service. We would like to deploy enforcement specific officers, specifically on special weekends and holidays where an increase in impaired driving can be anticipated.

If you have additional information, please upload:

Attempts to Solve Problem

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Identify past attempts to solve the problem identified in your proposal.

The Flagstaff Police Department considers any loss of life or limb to a drug or alcohol-related, motor vehicle accident unacceptable. Our desire is to combat this situation by incorporating community-oriented policing and Comp-Stat strategies into our patrol and enforcement efforts. We have a long standing tradition of aggressive D.U.I. interdiction and enforcement. Every officer in our organization is held accountable to D.U.I. arrest standards. Each officer working a night shift is expected to make at least three D.U.I. arrests per month to achieve a standard performance rating. This is done in the interest of protecting life and property. We have conducted both in-service and advanced officer training in D.U.I. detection. Past patrol efforts to resolve this community challenge have proven very successful, with demonstrable reductions in vehicle collisions where alcohol was a factor. These efforts have been supported with D.U.I. overtime operations such as task force patrols, and directed patrols on weekends and holidays. These efforts are staffed by officers on overtime to enhance effectiveness. Without these approaches it is difficult, if not impossible, to staff these operations with on-duty officers as they have primary responsibility to respond to a variety of calls for service during their shift.

 Project Objectives, Methods of Procedure, Performance Measures: Project 1

Title: Project 1

Objectives of the projects in your proposal should follow the SMART method. They should be:

S = Specific**M = Measurable****A = Action-Oriented****R = Realistic****T = Time-Framed****Project Objectives:**

The project objectives should be stated in measurable terms directly related to the identified problem, concise and deal with a specific item, realistic, with a reasonable probability of achievement and related to a specific time frame.

Our objective is to significantly reduce impaired driving in the Flagstaff community by emphasizing traffic-related enforcement:

D.U.I. Enforcement Program:

- D.U.I. enforcement officers specifically detailed to detect and apprehend impaired drivers during strategic times during target days.
- Two officers would be assigned on Thursday, Friday, and/or Saturday nights from 9:00pm until 3:00am until grant funds have been depleted.
- Holiday D.U.I. enforcement: Officers would be assigned to D.U.I. enforcement during holiday weekends that are characterized by an increase in traffic fatalities and injuries associated with impaired driving. These holiday weekends include (but are not limited to) New Years Eve, Labor Day, St. Patrick's Day, the Memorial Day Weekend, 4th of July and two annual graduation weekends for Northern Arizona University. This holiday enforcement would continue until grant funds have been depleted.
- D.U.I. enforcement officers will be vigilant for safety belt and child restraint violations.

Method of Procedure:

Detail how your agency will solve the problem and meet the objectives you have set.

October 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014

ENFORCEMENT:

Holiday Task Force Patrols for Thanksgiving Weekend, December Holiday Weekend, and New Years Holiday Weekend, with five additional task force patrols.

EDUCATION/PREVENTION:

Officers will attend 3 D.U.I. impact panels (6 hrs.)

Conduct a two hour presentation at the Law Enforcement Citizens Academy.

Six hours performing outreach at various city sponsored events.

January 1, 2015- March 31, 2015

ENFORCEMENT:

Five Task Force Patrols, including St. Patrick's Day and Spring Break.

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EDUCATION/PREVENTION:

Officers will attend 3 D.U.I. impact panels (6 hrs.)
Six hours performing outreach at various city sponsored events.

April 1, 2015 – June 30, 2015

ENFORCEMENT:

5 Task Force Patrols to include; Prom weekend, end of semester, graduation and Memorial Day.

EDUCATION/PREVENTION:

Officers will attend 3 D.U.I. impact panels (6 hrs.)
2 hour presentation at the Law Enforcement Citizens Academy.
6 hours performing outreach at city sponsored events.
8 hours staffing the graduation night alternative alcohol free venue.

July 1, 2015 –September 30, 2015

ENFORCEMENT:

5 task force patrols, including 4th of July and Labor Day Weekend.

EDUCATION/PREVENTION:

Officers will attend 3 D.U.I. impact panels (6 hrs.)
6 hours performing outreach at various city sponsored events.
24 hours of alcohol abuse prevention outreach for the Coconino County Fair.
Five 2 hour blocks for outreach at city sponsored Concerts in the Park.

Elimination of the problem of impaired driving is difficult if not impossible. Our objective is to mitigate impaired driving to the best of our ability, with what resources are available. We aspire to achieve this objective by educating the community at large about the dangers of impaired driving, the importance of defensive driving and by advertising our directed patrol efforts targeting impaired driving, via local media outlets. We have taken a three pronged approach to do so which includes D.U.I. prevention and education, community based initiatives, and aggressive enforcement.

D.U.I. prevention and education:

-D.U.I. Prevention starts with Officers conducting presentations at the drivers education classes which are held in our three local high schools.

-Prior to Prom weekend Officers spend several hours at the two local high schools speaking about the unintended consequences of poor decision such as drinking and driving.

-Officers also conduct bi-annual presentations to our citizen academy on D.U.I. investigations and the dangers of impaired driving.

-D.U.I. Prevention is furthered by our day and nighttime walking beats, that walk the downtown bar district. These officers spend significant time in our liquor establishments in an effort to limit over-serving and checking for underage consumption.

-The Flagstaff Police Department has met with our Downtown Bar Association prior to the holidays to educate them on Title 4 laws and our zero tolerance policy towards alcohol related violations. We teamed up with the Northern Arizona Center Against Sexual Assault, which also used the venue to educate bar

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employees about date rape and club drugs, to help prevent sexual assaults.

-Officers conduct community outreach presentations at monthly D.U.I. Impact Panels and staff educational booths during city special events (movies on the square, art in the park, Flagstaff City open house, and Teen Court) throughout the year.

Community Partner Initiatives:

-In 2005 the Police Department partnered with the City, County, Navajo Nation, The Guidance Center, and other community leaders to establish the Alcohol Stabilization Unit, which is a detoxification facility that promotes short and long term treatment for alcoholism.

-The Coconino County Jail now offers an in-custody rehabilitation (EXODUS) program for D.U.I. offenders.

-Coconino County has also established a D.U.I. and Drug court to hold offenders more accountable and get them more specialized sanctions and treatment options.

-The Coconino Criminal Justice Coordinating Council is currently working with multiple community partners to maintain a Serial Inebriate program further help with treatment and accountability for those addicted to alcohol.

Aggressive Enforcement:

-The Flagstaff Police Department has made removing impaired drivers one of its highest priorities, which supports its mission of protecting and preserving life and property.

-All Flagstaff Police Department patrol officers are held accountable to our minimum performance standards of three D.U.I. arrests per month while working a night shift.

-Patrol supervisors are diligent in seeking out D.U.I. detection training for their officers, including training in horizontal gaze nystagmus, D.U.I. detection, Advanced Roadside Impaired Driver Enforcement and how to write search warrants to draw blood on D.U.I. investigations.

-The Flagstaff Police Department has taken advantage of phlebotomy training, and currently has 8 officers trained in drawing blood, which helps strengthen our D.U.I. cases.

-In July 2012, 3 officers with the Flagstaff Police Department completed training and received certification in drug recognition expert.

If approved the funds from this grant will allow us to further our prevention, education, enforcement and ultimately help us reach our goal of making our streets safer.

Performance Measures:

Establish measurable goals for your proposal. Example: "To decrease alcohol related fatalities 10% from the 2012 base year average of 250 to 225 by September 30, 2014." "To increase DUI arrests 10% above the 2008 base year average of 5,000 to 5,500 by September 30, 2014."

Your agency should enumerate the objectives of the project in this section. Example: "To participate in 4 DUI Task Forces by September 30, 2014." "To participate in 8 speed enforcement details by September 30, 2014."

With the added resources from the Governor's Office of Highway safety, our goals are as follows:

- To reduce the total number of alcohol related accidents by 5% this year. Our three year average was 78 alcohol related accidents for the years of 2011, 2012, and 2013. Our goal is to have less than 74 in 2014 and 66 in 2015.

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- To reduce the number of alcohol injury accidents by 5% as well. Our three year average was 21 alcohol related injury accidents for the years of 2011, 2012, and 2013. Our goal is to have less than 20 in 2014 and 19 in 2015.

- Our D.U.I. goal for calendar year 2014 is 779 arrests with a 5% increase for 2015 which is 783 D.U.I. arrests. This will be an increase of 157 arrests for 2014 from the 622 D.U.I. arrests made in 2013.

- To conduct at least four educational or prevention events by the end of each quarter.

- To conduct a minimum of four task force events by the end of each quarter

Traffic Data Summary - Law Enforcement

Please include the following traffic data to support the identified problem in your proposal:

Description	2013	2012	2011
Total Fatal Collisions	3	6	5
Total Injury Collisions	352	395	379
Total Collisions Investigated	2554	2630	2534
Alcohol-Related Fatalities	0	1	1
Alcohol-Related Injuries	19	17	26
Speed-Related Fatalities	0	0	0
Speed-Related Injuries	100	99	120
Pedestrian Fatalities	2	2	3
Pedestrian Injuries	28	32	39
Bicycle Fatalities	0	1	1
Bicycle Injuries	42	64	56
Total DUI Arrests	653	880	789
Total Misdemeanor DUI Arrests	531	725	672
Total Aggravated DUI Arrests	122	155	117
Total Extreme DUI .15 Arrests	257	337	317
Total DUI-Drug Arrests	74	101	92
Total DRE Evaluations	0	0	0
Sober Designated Drivers	0	0	0
Underage Alcohol Violations-Title 4	470	747	769
Underage DUI Arrests	46	61	79
Underage DUI-Drug Arrests	26	24	22
Total Agency Citations	9891	10410	12828
Criminal Speed Citations	10	These three categories of citations will be broken down by statute starting in mid – 2013 Calendar year	
Aggressive Driving Citations	2		
Civil Speed Citations	1922		
Other Citations	7571	8568	10883
Red Light Running Citations	386	307	435
Seat Belt Citations	160	271	531
Child Safety Seat Citations	141	154	157

Personnel Services

Description

D.U.I. TASKFORCE OPERATIONS

1) Weekly Special Traffic Enforcement Program: (Thursday, Friday and /or Saturday nights)

- \$60 per hour x 2 officers x 12 hrs per week x 20 weeks = \$28,800

2) Holiday D.U.I. Task Force Patrols, Including:

July 4th Weekend,

- \$60 per hour x 2 officers x 6hrs per day x 3 days =\$2,160.00

Labor Day Weekend,

- \$60 per hour x 2 officers x 6hrs per day x 3 days =\$2,160.00

Thanksgiving Day Weekend

- \$60 per hour x 2 officers x 6 hours per day x 3 days =\$2,160.00

December Holiday Weekend

- \$60 per hour x 2 officers x 6 hours per day x 3 days =\$2,160.00

New Years Weekend

- \$60 per hour x 2 officers x 6 hours per day x 3 days =\$2,160.00

3) D.U.I. Prevention Outreach

- Quarter 1- \$60 Per hour X 14 hours = \$840

- Quarter 2- \$60 Per hour X 12 hours = \$720

- Quarter 3- \$60 Per hour X 22 hours = \$1320

- Quarter 4- \$60 Per hour X 46 hours = \$2760

Totals:

Total Holiday D.U.I. Task Force Overtime Patrols = \$10,800

Total Weekly Special Traffic Enforcement Program patrols = \$28,800

Total D.U.I. Prevention Outreach = \$5,640

TOTAL GRANT REQUEST =\$45,240

Personnel Services:

Employee Related Expenses:

Description	Requested Amount	ERE %	ERE Amount	Overtime Amount
Holiday DUI Task Force	\$10,800	40%	\$3,086	\$7,714
Weekly Traffic Enforcement	\$28,800	40%	\$8,229	\$20,571
DUI Prevention Outreach	\$5,640	40%	\$1,611	\$4,029
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		%	\$0	\$0

Personnel Services

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Total:	\$45,240		\$12,926	\$32,314

Capital Outlay

Description

Purchase of new Radar Units - 10 Qty x \$1,049.39 per unit = \$10,493.90 (shipping included)

Sales Tax 9.2% = \$965.44

TOTAL REQUEST = \$11,459.34

Description	Quantity	Price Per Unit	Tax	Shipping	Amount
Radar Units	10	\$1,049.39	\$965.44	\$0	\$11,459
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Total Estimated Cost

Budget Item	Amount	
Personnel Services	\$32,314	
Employee Related Expenses	\$12,926	40%
Professional and Outside Services	\$0	
Travel In-State	\$0	
Travel Out-of-State	\$0	
Materials and Supplies	\$0	
Capital Outlay	\$11,459	
Total Estimated Cost	\$56,699	