



City Council Report

Date: November 20, 2017
To: City Council
Through: John Pombier, Assistant City Manager
From: Ramon Batista, Police Chief
Sharon Burlingame, Commander
Subject: DUI / Impaired Driving Enforcement Grant Program - Citywide

Purpose and Recommendation

The City of Mesa Police Department is respectfully requesting the Mesa City Council authorize the City Manager or his designee to enter into a Highway Safety Contract with the Arizona Governor's Office of Highway Safety to accept \$170,000 in grant funds. The funds will be used by the Police Department's Traffic Division for overtime and employee related expenses to enhance DUI and Impaired Driving Enforcement throughout the City of Mesa.

Background

The City of Mesa has experienced serious injury and fatal collisions with a larger number of those attributed to alcohol and drug impairment. The Police Department has demonstrated its commitment to safer streets through various enforcement and education programs.

Discussion

The funding from this award will support personnel services and employee related expenses to sustain DUI and Impaired Driving Enforcement efforts. Through this program the Police Department seeks to:

- Educate the public about the danger of impaired driving through media, training and campaigns such as Know Your Limit.
- Target underage drinking and alcohol / drug impaired drivers through consistent enforcement activities.
- Participate task force operations and special enforcement projects.

Alternatives

If this Agreement is declined, the Mesa Police Department will be limited in the DUI and Impaired Driving Enforcement and educational programs.

Fiscal Impact

The award amount is \$121,429 for overtime and \$48,571 for employee related expenses. The maximum reimbursement allowed for employee related expenses is 40%, the unreimbursed expenses are approximately \$22,756. Funding for these expenses will be absorbed by the Police Department's operating budget. Mesa Police Department personnel will be responsible for submitting reports on a quarterly basis to the Governor's Office of Highway Safety.

Coordinated With

The City of Mesa Police Department recommends the approval of the Highway Safety Contract with the Governor's Office of Highway Safety.