



City Council Report

Date: July 8, 2020
To: City Council
Through: John Pombier, Assistant City Manager
From: Ken Cost, Police Chief
Krisa York, Police Fiscal Manager
Subject: Arizona Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program
Citywide

Purpose and Recommendation

The City of Mesa Police Department is respectfully requesting the Mesa City Council approve and authorize the City Manager or his designee to accept a grant award up to \$371,450 from the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission through the Arizona Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program. Funding will be used for Police Department purchases related to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Background

The Arizona Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding (AZ CESF) provides funding to assist eligible states, local units of government, and tribes in preventing, preparing for, and responding to the coronavirus. The funding was authorized by the recent stimulus legislation signed by President Trump.

State, county, local and tribal criminal justice agencies were eligible to apply. The City of Mesa's Police Department is an eligible candidate.

Discussion

The Police Department has been working tirelessly to implement measures which protect our employees as well as the citizens of Mesa. These measures range from setting up work from home/telecommuting capabilities for employees whose job functions would not be impacted by remote work; enhancing sanitization and disinfecting protocols, acquiring personal protective equipment for employees and obtaining technology to provide access to the online public records request system.

The program goals are to allot the monies towards preventing, preparing for and responding to the coronavirus in the following categories: Personal Protective Equipment, Sanitizing/Disinfecting and Technology.

Alternatives

If this item is not approved, the City of Mesa will decline the funds.

Fiscal Impact

The maximum reimbursement is \$371,450. There is no match requirement. Police Department personnel will be responsible for submitting the required documentation to request reimbursement for Citywide COVID-19 related purchases.

Coordinated With

Police Department staff coordinated this project with the City Attorney's Office and the City Manager's Office.