



City Council Report

Date: May 20, 2013
To: City Council
Through: Christopher J. Brady, City Manager
From: Frank L. Milstead, Police Chief
Mike Dvorak, Deputy Chief
Subject: DUI Abatement Grant Program Grant Agreement with the Governor's Office of Highway Safety, Agreement Number DUIAC-E-013
Citywide

**Strategic
Initiatives**



Purpose and Recommendation

The City of Mesa Police Department is respectfully requesting the Mesa City Council authorize the City Manager or his designee to accept funding made available through a DUI Abatement Grant Program Grant Agreement with the Governor's Office of Highway Safety. This Agreement provides \$100,000 to the Police Department's Traffic Section for overtime to enhance DUI enforcement and education 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 several enforcement and education programs. DUI enforcement has been, and continues to be, a priority.

Discussion

The funding from this award will support personnel services and employee related expenses to sustain DUI enforcement efforts. Goals of this program include:

- Enforce existing DUI laws, minimum legal drinking age laws and zero tolerance laws for drivers younger than 21 years of age.

- Employ sobriety checkpoints as both an education tool and an enforcement effort in high risk, high frequency areas.
- Use community based approaches to alcohol control and DUI prevention.

Alternatives

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

Fiscal Impact

The award amount is \$100,000 and no match is required. Mesa Police Department personnel will be responsible for submitting invoices on a quarterly basis to the Governor's Office of Highway Safety. The Governor's Office of Highway Safety will remit monies due upon receipt of the invoices.

Coordinated With

The City of Mesa Police Department recommends the approval of the DUI Abatement Grant Program Grant Agreement with the Governor's Office of Highway Safety.