



County of Milwaukee
Office of the Sheriff

David A. Clarke, Jr.
Sheriff

DATE: August 25, 2011
TO: Chairman Lee Holloway, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors
FROM: Richard Schmidt, Inspector, Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office
SUBJECT: Request to apply for and accept Homeland Security grants in the amount of \$80,210

REQUEST

The Sheriff's Office requests the approval to apply for and accept homeland security grant funding from the State of Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance to be used to assist with enhancing the following:

- response preparedness for the SWAT team for chemical, biological, radioactive and nuclear explosives
- increase the SWAT team's ability to respond to, investigate and mitigate terrorism and other catastrophic events
- establish and sustain a resource data system and protocols for the entire cycle of emergency management

BACKGROUND

Under Chapter 99 of the County Ordinances and Wisconsin State Statute 323, the Emergency Management Division of the Office of the Sheriff has certain responsibilities in the preparation, mitigation, response, and recovery of emergency situations. The State annually offers opportunities for counties to apply for federal and state homeland security grant dollars to assist with meeting these responsibilities.

Homeland Security grant opportunities that are designated for Milwaukee County available now from the State of Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance include:

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1. Homeland Security Law Enforcement Specialty Team Equipment \$18,710.
These funds will be used to purchase the following items for the Sheriff's SWAT team.
 - a. Three night vision infrared illuminators = \$821
 - b. One spotting scope/surveillance telescope = \$10,089
 - c. 21 protective masks with respirators = \$1,000
 - d. Two ballistic shields = \$6,800

2. Homeland Security Law Enforcement Specialty Team Equipment \$31,500.
These funds will be used to purchase the following items for the Sheriff's SWAT team.
 - a. One Robot = \$17,000
 - b. One wireless pan/tilt thermal camera = \$5,500
 - c. One remote controlled platform = \$5,860
 - d. Four ballistic helmets = \$1,380.
 - e. Four tactical communications headsets = \$1,760

3. Homeland Security Emergency Procurement and Resource Registry Pilot \$30,000. These funds would be used to initiate an Emergency Procurement and Resource Registry Pilot program that will assemble emergency management, public procurement, non-profit community organizations, private business and a technology provider to establish and sustain a resource data system and protocols enabling more effective and efficient information and resources sharing throughout the entire cycle of emergency management.

FISCAL NOTE

Appropriation transfer requests have been submitted for consideration during the September meeting of the Committee on Finance and Audit to recognize the grant revenue and establish expenditure authority of \$80,210. There is no local match to the funding and therefore no tax levy impact.

Sincerely,



Richard Schmidt, Inspector
Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office

cc: Willie Johnson, Jr., Chair, Judiciary, Safety and General Services
Committee
Jon Priebe, Public Safety Fiscal Administrator
Rick Ceschin, Research Analyst, County Board
Carl Stenbol, Administrator, Emergency Management, Office of the Sheriff

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Josh Fudge, Fiscal and Management Analyst, DAS
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