



Date: July 13, 2023

To: Board of Directors

From: Mike Gancasz, Chief of Police

Subject: Acceptance of Grant Funds from the California Highway Patrol

Recommendation

Approve Resolution No. 2023-20, A Resolution of the Kensington Police Protection and Community Services District, To Accept Grant Funds For Fiscal Year 24 From The California Highway Patrol (CHP) And The Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program (CTFGP) And Authorize The Appropriate District Staff To Execute The Necessary Agreements And Contracts Associated With This Grant. Acceptance of these funds will further our commitment to providing the highest level of service to the residents of Kensington.

Background

The passage of Proposition 64, the Control, Regulate, and Tax Adult Use of Marijuana Act (AUMA), California voters mandated the state set aside funding for the CHP to award grants to local governments and qualified nonprofit organizations, as described in Revenue and Taxation Code Section 34019(f)(3)(B). The Kensington Police Department was notified it was awarded \$89,800.00 from the CHP Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program (CTFGP). The Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program marks an important step toward reducing impaired driving crashes, increase training for police personnel surrounding the dangers of impaired driving, and making California's roadways a safer place to travel. The police department will use the grant funding to reduce and mitigate the impacts of impaired driving in our community.

Discussion and Analysis:

In recent years, the District of Kensington has experienced traffic related issues to include, speeding, Driving Under the Influence (DUI) and vehicle collisions. The Kensington Police Department has also seen a significant turnover in experienced, trained police personnel. The grant will support the Police Department's training program to get current officers the training they need to reduce the number of traffic collisions involving impaired drivers.

Some of the programs to be implemented under this grant include:

- Specialized training in the areas of Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) and Standard Field Sobriety Tests (SFST).

- Proactive patrols of the District of Kensington in search of those persons Driving Under the Influence (DUI) of alcohol or drugs.
- Purchase of a dedicated DUI/Traffic Enforcement marked Police Vehicle.

The grant provides funding for the following items:

➤ ARIDE Training for (2) Officers / (2) Sergeants	\$6,720.00
➤ SFST Training for (2) Officers / (2) Sergeants	\$10,080.00
➤ DUI Saturation Patrols for (1) Officer / (1) Sergeant	\$21,000.00
➤ DUI Enforcement Vehicle – Police Interceptor	<u>\$ 52,000.00</u>

The Kensington Police Department’s CTFGP grant total allocation is: \$89,800.00.

1. Equipment Upgrades: A portion of the grant will be allocated towards the purchase of essential law enforcement equipment, including updated communication devices, patrol vehicle enhancements, and personal protective gear for our officers. These upgrades will improve operational efficiency and officer safety.
2. Community Outreach Programs: We plan to allocate a portion of the grant towards community outreach programs aimed at fostering positive relationships between law enforcement personnel and community members. These initiatives may include community engagement events, educational workshops on crime prevention, and collaborative programs with local schools and youth organizations.
3. Training and Development: The grant will be utilized to provide specialized training and professional development opportunities for our officers. By enhancing their skills and knowledge in areas such as community policing, de-escalation techniques, and cultural sensitivity, we aim to improve the overall quality of law enforcement services delivered to our community.
4. Technology and Software Enhancements: To streamline our operations and improve efficiency, a portion of the grant will be allocated towards technology upgrades. This may include investing in new software systems for crime analysis, incident reporting, and data management, enabling us to make data-driven decisions and respond more effectively to community needs.

Accepting the grant funds from the California Highway Patrol will allow the Kensington Police Protection and Community Services District to make significant strides in enhancing community safety and supporting law enforcement initiatives. The proposed allocation of funds aligns with our District's mission and objectives, enabling us to serve our community more effectively.

Attachment

- Resolution No. 2023-20, A Resolution of the Kensington Police Protection and Community Services District, To Accept Grant Funds For Fiscal Year 24 From The California Highway Patrol (CHP) And The Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program (CTFGP) And Authorize The Appropriate District Staff To Execute The Necessary Agreements And Contracts Associated With This Grant.
- California Highway Patrol (CHP) Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program (CTFGP) award.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-20

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE KENSINGTON POLICE PROTECTION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 24 FROM THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL AND THE CANNABIS TAX FUND GRANT PROGRAM (CTFGP) AND AUTHORIZE THE APPROPRIATE DISTRICT STAFF TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS GRANT

The Board of Directors of the Kensington Police Protection and Community Services District “Board of Directors”) does find as follows:

WHEREAS, the passage of Proposition 64, the Control, Regulate, and Tax Adult Use of Marijuana Act (AUMA), California voters mandated the state set aside funding for the California Highway Patrol to award grants to local governments and qualified nonprofit organizations, as described in Revenue and Taxation Code Section 34019(f)(3)(B); and

WHEREAS, The Kensington Police Department applied and was notified it was awarded a grant for fiscal year '24 from the Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program (CFGF) and;

WHEREAS, funds allocated under this grant agreement shall not exceed \$89,800; and

WHEREAS, accepting the grant funds from the California Highway Patrol will allow the Kensington Police Protection and Community Services District to make significant strides in enhancing community safety and supporting law enforcement initiatives in regard to reducing impaired driving and increased training for police personnel and;

WHEREAS, Kensington Police Protection and Community Services District will enter into an agreement with the Department of California Highway Patrol to complete the project(s); and

WHEREAS, the Board authorizes the General Manager and Chief of Police from Kensington Police Protection and Community Services District as authorized signatories for the grant funding,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kensington Police Protection and Community Services District hereby:

1. Approves the filing of the project applications(s) for the CTFGP Law Enforcement grant project(s); and
2. This Board of Directors approves the receipt of CFGF funds in the amount of \$89,800;
3. Certifies that the grant money will be used as outlined in approved application;

4. Delegates the authority to the General Manager, or the Police Chief, to conduct all negotiations, sign and submit all documents, including, but not limited to applications, agreements, amendments, and payment requests, which may be necessary for the completion of the grant scopes(s); and
5. Agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations and guidelines.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Kensington Police Protection and Community Services District upon motion by Director, seconded by Director, on Thursday, the 13th day of July, 2023, by the following vote to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Alexandra Aquino-Fike
President, Board of Directors

I, the undersigned, HEREBY CERTIFY the foregoing was duly and regularly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Kensington Police Protection and Community Services District at the regular meeting of said Board held on Thursday, the 13th day of July, 2023.

Lynelle M. Lewis
Clerk of the Board

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Interim General Manger

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Sergeant Amit Nath
Kensington Police Department
10940 San Pablo Avenue
El Cerrito, CA 94530

Dear Sergeant Nath:

On behalf of the California Highway Patrol (CHP), it is my pleasure to inform you, the Kensington Police Department, is conditionally approved for Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program (CTFGP) funding in the amount of \$89,800.00. The purpose of this grant funding is to help your agency reduce and mitigate the impacts of impaired driving in your community.

All grant awards, including any adjustments to requested funding, were made by the Department based on the merits of the Grant Application, scale of operation, and in accordance with the Request for Application (RFA) requirements and associated regulations.

The official Grant Agreement for signature is forthcoming. In order to execute your Grant Agreement, please provide documentation from a local governing body, authorizing your organization to receive this grant funding, to the Cannabis Grants Unit, by email at CGUGrants@chp.ca.gov, as soon as possible. Refer to California Code of Regulations Title 13, Division 2, Chapter 13, Section 1890.13(g) for additional information.

The CHP looks forward to partnering with you and your agency on this project in an effort to make California's roadways a safer place to travel. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Cannabis Grants Unit at (916) 843-4360.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "K. M. Davis".

K. M. DAVIS, Chief
Enforcement and Planning Division

