

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SARPY COUNTY, NEBRASKA

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHAIR TO SIGN THE
NEBRASKA OFFICE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY GRANT CONTRACT AWARD AND BUDGET REVISION FOR
THE
SARPY COUNTY TRAFFIC UNIT

WHEREAS, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §23-104(6) (Reissue 2007), the County has the power to do all acts in relation to the concerns of the County necessary to the exercise of its corporate powers; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §23-103 (Reissue 2007), the powers of the County as a body are exercised by the County Board; and,

WHEREAS, a Nebraska Office of Highway Safety grant for the Sarpy County Traffic Unit has been awarded to Sarpy County; and,

WHEREAS, the grant contract award must be submitted to the Nebraska Office of Highway Safety; and

WHEREAS, Sarpy County is committed to and supports the grant for the Sarpy County Traffic Unit; and;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Sarpy County Board of Commissioners that that the Board Chairperson is hereby authorized to sign the attached grant award contract for the Sarpy County Traffic Unit grant.

DATED this 14th day of September, 2010.

MOVED by Rick Jensen, seconded by Rusty Hike, that the above Resolution be adopted. Carried.

YEAS:
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NAYS:
none

ABSENT:
none

ABSTAIN:
none

Attest:

SEAL



[Signature]
County Clerk

Approved as to form:

[Signature]
County Attorney

GRANT CONTRACT AWARD

NEBRASKA OFFICE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY
 P.O. Box 94612
 Lincoln, Nebraska 68509
 (402) 471-2515



Contractor: Sarpy County Sheriff's Office	Contract Number: 402-11-07	Award Date: October 1, 2010
Contract Title: Sarpy County Traffic Unit	Contract Amount: \$214,133.00	*CFDA# 20.600

FEDERAL SHARE	MINIMUM MATCH REQUIREMENT	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	% OF LOCAL BENEFIT
\$214,133.00	\$53,533.25	\$267,666.25	100%
Percent of Reimbursement		100%	

This Grant Contract Award is subject to the provisions in the "Grant Contract Proposal Application Guide" established by the U.S. Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, State of Nebraska and the Nebraska Office of Highway Safety (NOHS). If applicable, this award may be subject to special conditions.

The grant contract period will be from October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011 for federal Fiscal Year 2011. The contract will become effective on the above-stated date, provided the NOHS has received the signed Grant Contract Award from the Contractor. After the remaining signatures have been obtained, a copy of the Grant Contract Award will be provided to the Contractor.

Acceptance of Conditions: The Grant Contract Award recipient agrees to all applicable federal and state laws, rules and regulations. Failure to comply with these conditions may result in termination of this Grant Contract Award. **All Awards are subject to availability of Federal Funds.**

Signature of Administrator or Governor's Representative	Signature of Project Director
Fred E Zwonechek, Administrator	Capt. Rolly Yost
Typed Name of Official and Title	Typed Name and Title
Date	Date
Signature of Authorized Official (Mayor, County Board Chairman, State Department Head, etc.)	Signature of Financial Official (County Treasurer, City Clerk, City Finance Department, etc.)
Joni Albrecht, Chairman	Brian Hanson
Typed Name and Title	Typed Name and Title
Date	Date

2010-2011 TRAFFIC UNIT GRANT

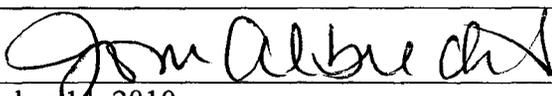
REVISED BUDGET

BUDGET PROPOSAL

	Total Costs	Federal Funds 75%*	Sarpy County Funds	City of Bellevue Funds
Personnel Costs	\$378,117	\$214,133	\$50,497	\$113,487
Contractual Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Commodities	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Direct Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Indirect Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL	\$378,117	\$214,133	\$50,497	\$113,487

BUDGET NARRATIVE

***Personnel Costs** – Salary and benefits for one sergeant, one deputy, and two Bellevue officers. As a requirement of the grant, the second year is funded by the grantor at 75% of the first year salary costs. First year salary costs were \$285,510. The applicant is required to fund the remaining balance.

Name of Authorized Official: Joni Albrecht
Title: Sarpy County Board of Commissioners Chairperson
Address: 1210 Golden Gate Drive
City, State, Zip: Papillion, NE. 68046
Telephone: 402-593-4155
Signature: 
Date: September 14, 2010

SARPY COUNTY TRAFFIC UNIT

SUMMARY

The Sarpy County Sheriff's Office is dedicated to the reduction of fatal and injurious crashes in the County. Sarpy County fully supports the Traffic Unit and is requesting funds to continue the dual agency Sarpy County Traffic Unit. The goal of this project is to reduce the number of fatal, A and B type injury crashes in Sarpy County by 20%, (69) from 348 (2007 – 2009 three year baseline average) to 279 in 2011. Additionally, the goal of the Bellevue Police Department is to decrease the Fatal, A and B type injury crashes by 25% (26) in Bellevue from 104 (2007 – 2009 three year baseline average) to 78 in 2011.

The Traffic Unit brings together two law enforcement agencies in an effort to increase selective enforcement in areas where traffic is highest or where problems have been identified by crash data, citizens, or law enforcement without decreasing uniformed patrol levels. In addition to regular traffic enforcement activities, the Unit is available for increased enforcement during public events, school events, and other identified occasions where the potential for fatal and injurious crashes is high. The total cost of the project is, \$285,510.00, with \$214,133.00 funded by the Nebraska Office of Highway Safety (NOHS) and \$163,984.00 funded by the agencies.

Continuation of the Traffic Unit will benefit the community by further reducing the number of fatal and injurious crashes and enhance public safety. By dedicating a patrol team strictly to selective traffic enforcement, other patrol personnel are better able to concentrate on alternate areas of enforcement. Finally, with the continuation of the Traffic Unit, each agency's selective traffic enforcement overtime costs will be decreased.

During the first seven months of the Traffic Unit, four (4) new law enforcement professionals were hired strictly for traffic enforcement and uniform patrols in those areas where there was a noted higher probability of fatal and injurious crashes. In addition, four (4) new law enforcement vehicles were purchased through Traffic Unit grant funding. Between the four months of January 2010 and April 2010, the Traffic Unit issued a total of 1,250 moving and non-moving citations and 539 warnings. In the seven months from October 2009 and through April 2010, the Traffic Unit conducted eleven (11) public safety presentations, patrolled 426.87 hours in high volume areas during rush hour, 217.72 hours in school zones and 878.67 hours in identified problem areas. The Traffic Unit also held four traffic safety presentations at local high schools on the topics of drinking and driving, seat belt use, texting while driving, and a mock accident presentation.

ORGANIZATIONAL BACKGROUND

The Sarpy County Sheriff's Department, headed by Sheriff Jeff Davis, is located in Papillion, Nebraska. The Sheriff's Department employs 129 full time deputies, 67 full-time civilians, and 37 part-time civilians to serve a population of 157,000. The organization of the department is comprised of the Sheriff, the Chief Deputy, who is next in the chain of command, followed by Division Captains, Lieutenants, Sergeants, Corporals, and Deputies. Civilian staff is assigned to the various areas of the department's divisions and units. The civilian staff includes booking clerks, vehicle inspectors, court security entry officers, jail nurses, juvenile center staff, support staff, tow lot operators, evidence and property technicians and technical support. The Sarpy County Sheriff's Department staff is assigned in an organizational structure which includes the Road Patrol, Jail, Investigative, Support Services, and Administrative Divisions.

The Bellevue Police Department employs 101 sworn officers, 20 full-time civilians, and 9 part-time civilians to serve a population of approximately 54,000 citizens. They are a full service police organization made up of four bureaus and seven patrol districts. Part of their mission is to work with the community to prevent problems or to solve them before they negatively impact a person's quality of life. With this in mind, the Bellevue Police Department is constantly striving to provide the most efficient police services possible.

The Traffic Unit is a dual-jurisdictional team consisting of law enforcement professionals from two agencies which consists of a Sarpy County Sergeant, a Sarpy County deputy, and two Bellevue police officers.

PROBLEM IDENTIFICATION

In the time period of 2006-2008, prior to the implementation of the Traffic Unit, the County had 1,050 fatal, A, and B type injury crashes. An additional 1,428 C type injury crashes occurred during the same time period. Despite law enforcement traffic safety efforts, between 2006 and 2007 fatal, A, and B type injury crashes increased by 18% and between 2006 and 2008 fatal, A, and B type injury crashes increased by 12% in Sarpy County. County law enforcement agencies have determined there was a lack of personnel and time to dedicate to the type of intensive traffic enforcement that would result in lower rates of crashes. Additionally, selective traffic enforcement was restricted to uniform patrol efforts which limited extensive concentrated service in areas and situations where the probability of fatal and injurious crashes were likely.

With the addition of four new personnel dedicated strictly to traffic enforcement, uniform patrols have increased in those areas where the probability of fatal and injurious crashes was likely. As a result of this increase in traffic enforcement, the Traffic Unit is having a direct impact on lowering the rate of crashes throughout the County. Based on data from the Standard Summary - Nebraska Department of Roads, from 2008 to 2009 the number of fatal crashes in Sarpy County decreased 50% from eight (8) to four (4) and the number of A and B type injury crashes has decreased 12% from 346 in 2008 to 304 in 2009.

Sarpy County - Standard Summary - Department of Roads						Bellevue - Standard Summary - Department of Roads					
Crashes						Crashes					
	Fatal Crashes	A Injury Crashes	B Injury Crashes	Total Fatal, A & B Crashes	Total A & B Crashes		Fatal Crashes	A Injury Crashes	B Injury Crashes	Total Fatal, A & B Crashes	Total A & B Crashes
2006	14	79	220	313	299						
2007	11	94	278	383	372	2007	1	24	74	99	98
2008	8	91	255	354	346	2008	0	28	84	112	112
2009	4	98	206	308	304	2009	1	23	76	100	99
Total	23	283	739	1045	1022	Total	2	75	234	311	309
3 Year Avg	2007-2009			348	341	3 Year Avg	2007-2009			104	103
20% reduction from 3 YR baseline Average				69		25% reduction from 3 YR baseline Average				26	
FY2011 Goal				275		FY2011 Goal				78	

The target population for this project is all drivers operating motor vehicles in Sarpy County. The Traffic Unit serves a population of approximately 156,696 people and 251 square miles which includes the cities of Papillion, Bellevue, La Vista, Gretna, and the rural areas of Sarpy County.

GOAL

The goal of this project is to reduce the number of Fatal, A and B type injury crashes in Sarpy County by an additional 20%, (69) from 348 (2007 – 2009 three year baseline average) to 279 in 2011.

The goal of the Bellevue Police Department is to reduce the number of Fatal, A and B crashes in Bellevue by 25% (26) from 104 (2007 – 2009 three year baseline average) to 78 in 2011.

OBJECTIVES

1. To increase selective traffic enforcement by 10% in Sarpy County and Bellevue at high problem crash locations from 2.8 hours per day in FY2010 to 3.1 hours per day in FY2011.
2. To increase selective traffic enforcement by 40% in school zones when school is in session, from 11 hours per week in FY2010 to 15.5 hours per week in FY2011. School zone enforcement will only be conducted if identified as a high problem crash location.
3. To participate in selective traffic enforcement at special events and/or statewide traffic enforcement operations.
4. Increase public awareness regarding contributing factors to fatal, A and B type injury crashes by and conduct traffic safety presentations at schools.

STRATEGIES

1. Gather fatal, A and B type injury crash data for Sarpy County, identify high crash locations, prioritize the high crash locations and create a priority listing for selective enforcement activities. Completion Date: October 2010.
2. Assign the grant funded personnel (4 FTEs) to conduct selective enforcement at the identified high crash locations utilizing saturation patrols, checkpoints, speed enforcement, seat belt enforcement, etc. Completion Date: September 2011.
3. Assign the grant funded personnel (4 FTEs) to conduct selective enforcement during, but not limited to, the Click It or Ticket Mobilizations (May and November), You Drink & Drive. You Lose. Crackdowns (August-September, December-January), Sarpy County Fair (September), Papio Days, Offutt Air Show, LaVista Days, Memorial Day Ceremony, Safe Saturdays. Completion Date: September 2011
4. Organize and conduct traffic safety presentations on the factors that contribute to fatal and serious injury crashes for schools, fairs, clubs, etc. A minimum of fifteen (15) presentations will be conducted. Completion date: September 2011.
5. Complete monthly selective enforcement activity summary, including a breakout of citations issued, and forward with each monthly report to NOHS. Completion date: Monthly through September 2011.
6. Analyze project period statistics to determine project success, form future planning and create annual report for NOHS. Completion date: November 15, 2011.

EVALUATION

Crash data from the project period will be compared with crash data from the previous year to determine if the decreases in fatal, A and B type injury crashes were achieved in Sarpy County. The crash data from the identified high crash locations will also be analyzed to determine if reductions occurred.

BUDGET PROPOSAL

Fiscal Year 2011 (October 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011) (Second Year of Funding)

	Total Costs	Federal Funds*	Grant Contractor Funds
Personal Services	\$378,117.00	\$214,133.00*	\$163,984.00
Contractual Services	\$0	\$0	\$0
Commodities	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Direct Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0
Indirect Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL	\$378,117.00	\$214,133.00*	\$163,984.00

*75% of Year One Personal Services

BUDGET NARRATIVE

Personal Services - \$214,133.00 – 75% of the salary and benefits for one sergeant, one deputy and two police officers. The remaining 25% will be assumed by each agency. (Note: The funding for personal services in year one was \$285,510.00. Year two of personal services is funded at 75% of the first year funding for personal services.)

- Sarpy County Sheriff's Office – one (1) sergeant and one (1) deputy.
- Bellevue Police Department – two (2) police officers.

Total funding from NOHS for the first year of the grant project was \$384,504.00. (Personal services \$285,510.00 and four (4) vehicles \$97,341.00.)

Total funding for the second year of the grant project is considered at 75% of first year funding = \$214,133.00.

Sarpy County requests \$214,133.00 to assist in maintaining the four (4) law enforcement officers hired strictly to implement the Sarpy County Traffic Unit.

COST ASSUMPTION

The Traffic Unit will continue to function indefinitely. Funding secured through this proposal will assist each law enforcement agency in maintaining the current level of personnel assigned to the Unit. Future personnel costs will be assumed by each agency on the completion of the third and final year of federal in September 30, 2012.



Dave Heineman
Governor

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September 3, 2010

Sheriff Jeff Davis
Sarpy County Sheriff's Office
1208 Golden Gate Drive
Papillion, NE 68046

Re: Sarpy County Traffic Unit

Dear Sheriff Davis: 

We have completed the review process for application proposals submitted for Section 402 federal highway safety funding assistance October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011. The proposal entitled "Sarpy County Traffic Unit" was included in the review process.

Enclosed is a copy of your contract proposal entitled "Sarpy County Traffic Unit" which has been approved for federal funding. The grant contract period will begin October 1, 2010 and concludes on September 30, 2011. The amount of funding approved **pending the awarding and availability of federal highway safety funding to Nebraska** is \$214,133.00. This is reimbursement only funding. Expenses must be paid to be eligible for reimbursement.

The Federal Circulars A87 and A133, and Nebraska Office of Highway Safety (NOHS) Policies and Procedures Manual can be found on the website at <http://www.dmv.ne.gov/highwaysafety/contract.html>. Please review these documents to ensure compliance with federal guidelines and NOHS policies. Enclosed is a copy of the "Policies and Procedures" manual for your information. The Contract Award is enclosed and will need to be signed and returned as soon as possible. After all of the necessary signatures have been obtained, a copy will be returned to you.

The Federal Circular-133 provides guidance and explanations to the auditing requirements. As the Contract nears completion, you will receive a letter requesting the total dollar amount of federal funds you received from all sources during this grant period. You will be notified in writing if any further procedures are necessary to meet the auditing requirements.

Please go to the above website address to download the interactive NOHS forms required for this project. The contractor is responsible for submitting the Cash Report/Cash Request (CR/CR) by the 10th of each month, along with reimbursement information and supporting documentation to substantiate actual expenditures associated with the project. Reimbursement will take approximately 30 days. The attached form, "Nebraska Selective Overtime Enforcement Activity Summary", will also need to be filled out and submitted with your monthly summary reports. An interactive form can be found on the above website address for your convenience.

September 3, 2010
Sheriff Jeff Davis
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The Traffic Safety Specialist assigned to your project is Robert Corner. Please submit the signed Contract Award as soon as possible and return. Be advised that the official grant award will be contingent upon Congressional award of Nebraska Highway Safety Funding authorization and obligation. If you have any questions, please contact me at 402-471-2515.

Very truly yours,



Fred E Zwonechek
Administrator
Nebraska Office of Highway Safety

FEZ:lk
cc: Lisa Haire
Enclosures (5)

Sarpy County Board of Commissioners

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MEMO

To: Sarpy County Board

From: Lisa A. Haire

Re: Nebraska Office of Highway Safety Grant Revision and Award for the Traffic Unit

On September 14, 2010, the County Board will be asked to authorize the Chair to sign the Nebraska Office of Highway Safety grant award and budget revision for the Traffic Unit.

The grant awards funding for the Sarpy County Sheriff's Office (SCSO) and the Bellevue Police Department to continue the Traffic Unit. The grant application requested \$283,588 for four (4) sworn officers; two (2) officers for the Bellevue Police Department, and one (1) deputy and one (1) sergeant for the SCSO. The Nebraska Office of Highway Safety awarded Sarpy County \$214,133 which is 75% of the cost of salary and benefits for the first year of the grant.

As a contingency to the grant, Sarpy County and the City of Bellevue were allowed to request up to 75% of the first year personnel costs. Sarpy County and the City of Bellevue are required to fund the remaining costs. A budget is attached to this memo outlining cost requirements of each agency.

The Traffic Unit will focus on selective enforcement in areas where traffic is highest or where issues have been identified. There will be a possibility of applying for a continuation grant next year at 50% of the personnel request.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have comments or questions.

September 10, 2010

Lisa A. Haire

593-1565

cc: Mark Wayne
Brian Hanson
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