

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SARPY COUNTY, NEBRASKA

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE
NEBRASKA OFFICE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY GRANT CONTRACT AWARD 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 signed and 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 Chairman is hereby authorized to sign the attached grant award contract for the Sarpy County Traffic Unit grant.

The above Resolution was approved by a vote of the Sarpy County Board of Commissioners at a public meeting duly held in accordance with applicable law on the 30th day of August, 2011.

Tom Richard

Sarpy County Board Chairman

ATTES:



Debra L. Houghtaling
Sarpy County Clerk



Dave Heineman
Governor

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August 18, 2011

Sheriff Jeffrey Davis
Sarpy County Sheriff's Office
8335 Platteview Road
Papillion, NE 68046

Re: Sarpy County Traffic Unit - 402-12-07

Dear Sheriff Davis:

We have completed the review process for application proposals submitted for Section 402 federal highway safety funding assistance October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012. The proposal entitled "Sarpy County Traffic Unit" was included in the review process. The grant contract period will begin October 1, 2011 and concludes on September 30, 2012. The amount of funding approved **pending the awarding and availability of federal highway safety funding to Nebraska** is \$142,755.00. This is reimbursement only funding. Expenses must be paid to be eligible for reimbursement.

Enclosed is a final revised copy of your contract proposal entitled "Sarpy County Traffic Unit" which has been approved for your third and final year of federal funding. The problem identification, goal, objectives and strategy 1 have been revised. A copy of the revisions is attached for your review.

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.roads.ne.gov/nohs/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 Grant 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 Grant Contract Claim for Reimbursement (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.

GRANT CONTRACT AWARD

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Contractor: Sarpy County Sheriff's Office	Contract Number: 402-12-07	Award Date: October 1, 2011
Contract Title: Sarpy County Traffic Unit	Contract Amount: \$142,755.00	*CFDA# 20.600

FEDERAL SHARE	TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	% OF LOCAL BENEFIT
\$142,755.00	\$142,755.00	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, 2011 through September 30, 2012 for federal Fiscal Year 2012. 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
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Fred E Zwonechek, Administrator _____ Typed Name of Official and Title	9/1/11 _____ Date	Rolly Yost, Captain _____ Typed Name and Title	8/25/11 _____ Date
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 _____ Signature of Authorized Official (Mayor, County Board Chairman, State Department Head, etc.)	 _____ Signature of Financial Official (County Treasurer, City Clerk, City Finance Department, etc.)
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Tom Richards, Board Chairman _____ Typed Name and Title	8/30/11 _____ Date	Brian Hanson, Fiscal Admin _____ Typed Name and Title	8-23-11 _____ Date
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Sheriff Jeffrey 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 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%, (66) from 331 (2007 – 2010 four year baseline average) to 265 in 2012. Additionally, the goal of the Bellevue Police Department is to decrease the Fatal, A and B type injury crashes by 25% (25) in Bellevue from 101 (2007 – 2010 four year baseline average) to 76 in 2012.

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 \$142,755.00 funded by the Nebraska Office of Highway Safety (NOHS) and \$142,755.00 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 year of grant funding (2009-2010) the Traffic Unit hired 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. The Traffic Unit purchased four (4) new law enforcement vehicles, patrolled 756.37 hours in rush hour traffic, 324.47 hours in school zones, 1,813.92 hours in problem areas, and 276.75 hours during special events. Additionally, the Traffic Unit conducted 48 public presentations. In total, the Traffic Unit issued 2,921 moving and non-moving citations, 753 written warnings, and 535 verbal warnings.

During the second year of grant funding (2010-2011), from the months of October 2010 through May, 2011, the Traffic Unit has issued 2,160 moving and non-moving citations, 743 written warnings, and 509 verbal warnings. The Traffic Unit has conducted twenty-one (21) public safety presentations, patrolled 738.80 hours in high volume areas during rush hour, 377 hours in school zones and 1,612.50 hours in identified problem areas. Additionally, the Traffic Unit has held four (4) traffic safety presentations at the local schools on the topics of drinking and driving, seat belt use, and texting while driving; and assisted with traffic control during special events held in Sarpy County for a total of 491.50 hours.

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 2010 the total number of fatal, A, and B injury crashes in Sarpy County decreased 12.4% from 354 to 310. The total number of A and B type injury crashes decreased 12.7% from 346 in 2008 to 302 in 2010. Additionally, type A and B injury crashes in Bellevue have decreased 16% from 112 in 2008 to 94 in 2010.

Four Year Average - 2007-2010						Bellevue - Standard Summary - Department of Roads						
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		
2008	8	91	255	354	346	2008	0	28	84	112		
2009	4	98	206	308	304	2009	1	23	76	100		
2010	8	86	216	310	302	2010	0	25	69	94		
Total	31	369	955	1355	1324	Total	2	100	303	405		
4 Year Avg	2007-2010				339	331	4 Year Avg	2007-2010				101
20% reduction from 4 YR baseline Average				68		25% reduction from 4 YR baseline Average				25		
FY2012 Goal				271		FY2012 Goal				76		

The target population for this project is all drivers operating motor vehicles in Sarpy County. The Traffic Unit serves a population of approximately 158,840 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%, (68) from 339 (2007 – 2010 four year baseline average) to 271 in 2012.

The goal of the Bellevue Police Department is to reduce the number of Fatal, A and B crashes in Bellevue by 25% (25) from 101 (2007 – 2010 four year baseline average) to 76 in 2012.

OBJECTIVES

1. To increase selective traffic enforcement by 20% in DDACTS (Data Driven Approaches to Crime and Traffic Safety) identified high problem crash locations to 6 hours per month.
2. To increase selective traffic enforcement by 10% in school zones when school is in session to 16 hours per week 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 and other public events such as the Sarpy County Fair.

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. High crash locations identified for DDACTS are Hwy 31 & I-80, Hwy 50 & I-80 and Hwy 75 & Hwy 370.
Completion Date: October 2011.

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 2012.
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 2012
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 2012.
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 2012.
6. Analyze project period statistics to determine project success, form future planning and create annual report for NOHS.
Completion date: November 15, 2012.

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 2012 (October 1, 2011 to September 30, 2012) (Third Year of Funding)

	Total Costs	Federal Funds*	Grant Contractor Funds
Personal Services	\$285,510.00	\$142,755.00*	\$142,755.00
Contractual Services	\$0	\$0	\$0
Commodities	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Direct Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0
Indirect Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL	\$285,510.00	\$142,755.00*	\$1442,755.00

*50% of Year One Personal Services

BUDGET NARRATIVE

Personal Services - \$142,755.00 – for one sergeant, one deputy and two police officers. The remaining balance will be assumed by each agency.

- 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 was considered at 75% of first year funding = \$214,133.00.

Total funding for the third year of the grant project is considered at 50% of first year funding = \$142,755.00.

Sarpy County requests \$142,755.00 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.

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 Award for the Traffic Unit

On August 30, 2011, the County Board will be asked to authorize the Chairman to sign the Nebraska Office of Highway Safety grant award for the Traffic Unit.

The grant will help fund the continuation of the Sarpy County Traffic Unit. The grant awards \$142,755 for four (4) sworn officers; two (2) officers for the Bellevue Police Department, and one (1) deputy and one (1) sergeant for the SCSO.

This is the third year of a three (3) year step down grant. The first year was funded at 100%, the second year at 75% and the third year is funded at 50%. Sarpy County and the City of Bellevue are responsible for funding the remaining personnel costs. A budget is attached to this memo outlining the cost requirements of each agency. A representative from the Sheriff's Office will be in attendance to answer programmatic questions.

The Traffic Unit will focus on selective enforcement in areas where traffic is highest or where issues have been identified.

The grant project period is October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012.

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

August 26, 2011

Lisa A. Haire

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cc: Mark Wayne
Brian Hanson
Scott Bovick
Sheriff Davis
Chief Deputy Jones
Captain Yost
Deb Houghtaling

2011-2012 TRAFFIC UNIT GRANT

BUDGET

BUDGET PROPOSAL

	Total First Year Personnel Grant Funds	*Third Year Grant Request	Total FY 2012 Personnel Costs	Sarpy County Estimated FY 2012 Responsibility	City of Bellevue Estimated FY 2012 Responsibility
Personnel Costs	\$285,510	\$142,755	\$389,361.06	\$106,682	\$139,924.06
TOTAL	\$285,510	\$142,755	\$389,361.06	\$106,682	\$139,924.06

*Grantees eligible to request 50% of first year Personnel funds

BUDGET NARRATIVE

Personnel Costs – Salary and benefits for one sergeant, one deputy, and two Bellevue officers. As a requirement of the grant, the third year is funded by the grantor at 50% of the first year's personnel total.

Total personnel costs for the first year of the grant = \$285,510.

The grant will fund 50% of \$285,510 = \$142,755.

The applicant is required to fund the remaining personnel costs.