

ALBANY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

CRAIG D. APPLE, SR.
SHERIFF



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September 2, 2025

Honorable Joanne Cunningham
Legislative Chairwoman
112 State Street, Room 710
Albany, New York 12207

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Dear Chairwoman Cunningham:

The attached correspondence is forwarded for presentation to the Albany County Legislature.

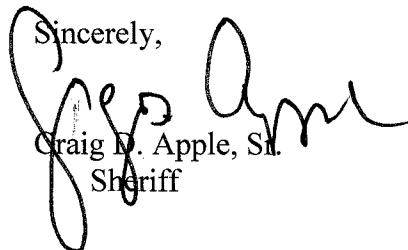
Legislative approval is requested to allow the Albany County Sheriff's Office to apply for, accept and spend grant funding from the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES) for the FY2022 Technical Rescue & Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) Grant Program.

The term of this contract will be 12 months, from August 1, 2025 to August 31, 2026.

The award amount for the Albany County Sheriff's Office is \$50,000.00. This is a multi-agency grant with Albany County Sheriff's Office being the primary agency and providing pass through funding for The City of Albany Fire Department, the Town of Colonie EMS and the Slingerlands Fire Department. These funds will assist with the costs involved in purchasing equipment to be used for rope rescue and confined spaces throughout the aforementioned agencies. There are no matching funds associated with this grant.

This grant was previously approved by the Albany County Legislature in 2023 under 23-42 and 23-335.

Should there be any questions, do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

Craig D. Apple, Sr.
Sheriff

Cc: Hon. Daniel P. McCoy, County Executive
Hon. Wanda F. Willingham, Deputy Chairwoman

REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Description (e.g., Contract Authorization for Information Services):

..title

Legislative approval to apply, accept the FY2022 Technical Rescue & Urban Search and Rescue Grant

..body

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|--------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------------|
| Date: | August 27, 2025 | Submitted By: | Craig D. Apple, Sr. |
| Department: | Sheriff's Office | Title: | Sheriff |
| Attending Meeting: | Sheriff Craig D. Apple, Sr. | Phone: | 518-487-5440 |

Purpose of Request: Contract Authorization 08/01/2025-08/31/2026

CONTRACT TERMS/CONDITIONS:

Party Names and Addresses:

Jackie Bray, Commissioner Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Services 1220 Washington Avenue
Bldg 7A, Suite 710, Albany NY 12242

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|------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Term: (Start/end date or duration) | 08/01/2025-08/31/2026 |
| Amount/Raise Schedule/Fee: | \$50,000.00 |

BUDGET INFORMATION:

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|---------------------------|---|
| Is there a Fiscal Impact: | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Anticipated in Budget: | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Spreadsheet attached: | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |

Source of Funding – (Percentages)

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|----------|------|---------|---|
| Federal: | 0 | County: | 0 |
| State: | 100% | Local: | 0 |

County Budget Accounts:

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|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| Revenue Account and Line: | A33110.03306.SRT22 |
| Revenue Amount: | \$50,000.00 |
| Appropriation Account and Line: | A93110.22750.SRT22 |
| Appropriation Amount: | \$50,000.00 |

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

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|-------------------------------|---|
| Mandated Program/Service: | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| If Mandated, Cite Authority: | Enter text. |
| Request for Bids / Proposals: | |
| Competitive Bidding Exempt: | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| # of Response(s): | Enter text. |
| # of MWBE: | Enter text. |
| # of Veteran Business: | Enter text. |
| Bond Resolution No.: | Enter text. |
| Apprenticeship Program | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

Previous requests for Identical or Similar Action:

Resolution/Law Number and Date: #42 (2/13/23) & #335 (8/14/23)

DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST: (state briefly why legislative action is requested)

This grant will be used to purchase equipment which will enhance the capabilities of our regional search and rescue teams. Also, there are no matching funds involved with this grant.

2025 BUDGET AMENDMENT

APPROPRIATIONS

| RESOLUTION NO. BTCH | ACCOUNT NO. | RESOLUTION DESCRIPTION | INCREASE | DECREASE | |
|----------------------|-------------|------------------------|-----------|----------|--------|
| A9 3110 2 2750 SRT22 | | SECURITY EQUIPMENT | 50,000.00 | | CREATE |
| | | TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS | 50,000.00 | 0.00 | |

REVENUES

| RESOLUTION NO. BTCH | ACCOUNT NO. | RESOLUTION DESCRIPTION | DECREASE | INCREASE | |
|---------------------|-------------|------------------------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| A3 3110 03306 SRT22 | | TOTAL REVENUES | 0.00 | 50,000.00 | CREATE |
| | | GRAND TOTALS | 50,000.00 | 50,000.00 | |

Attn: Comptrollers Office - new project code - SRT22



Homeland Security and Emergency Services

KATHY HOCHUL
Governor

JACKIE BRAY
Commissioner

August 1, 2025

The Honorable Daniel McCoy
Albany County Executive
Harold L. Joyce Albany County Office Building
112 State Street, Room 1200
Albany, NY 12207

Dear Mr. McCoy:

I am pleased to announce that Albany County has been awarded \$50,000 in federal funding under the FY2022 Technical Rescue & Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) Grant Program. Funding for this initiative is provided by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSP) and is administered by the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES). The performance period for this award is August 1, 2025 through August 31, 2026.

As outlined in your application, this funding is provided for local emergency response teams that provide Technical Rescue and USAR services through equipment, training, exercise, and planning projects.

Additionally, all capabilities developed through federal FY2022 SHSP funding are required to be deployable regionally and nationally per the federal guidelines. All funding through this grant program is subject to both New York State and federal guidelines and regulations. Finally, all training that is funded through this grant program must be submitted to DHSES within six (6) months of the date of this letter for review and approval.

In order to ensure these funds are made available as quickly as possible, a representative from the Grants Program Administration Unit of DHSES will be reaching out to your grant point of contact. If you have any questions about this program, please contact Eric Abramson, Director of Grants Program Administration at (518) 242-5108.

Congratulations on your award and I look forward to working with you to administer this program.

Sincerely,

Jackie Bray
Commissioner

RESOLUTION NO. 42

AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO AND AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES REGARDING THE 2020 TECHNICAL RESCUE AND URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE GRANT PROGRAM AND AMENDING THE 2023 SHERIFF'S OFFICE BUDGET

Introduced: 2/13/23

By Public Safety Committee: .

WHEREAS, The Albany County Sheriff has requested authorization to submit a grant application to and enter into an agreement with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services regarding the 2020 Technical Rescue and Urban Search and Rescue Grant Program funding in an amount of \$74,986 for a term commencing October 1, 2022 and ending August 31, 2023, and

WHEREAS, The Sheriff has indicated that this funding will be used to purchase equipment to enhance the capabilities of the regional search and rescue teams, and

WHEREAS, The Sheriff has also requested a budget amendment to incorporate the aforementioned funding into the 2023 Sheriff's Office Budget, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to submit a grant application to and enter into an agreement with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services regarding the 2020 Technical Rescue and Urban Search and Rescue Grant Program funding in an amount of \$74,986 for a term commencing October 1, 2022 and ending August 31, 2023, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the 2023 Sheriff's Office Budget is amended as follows:

Increase Revenue Account A3306 Homeland Security by \$74,986

Increase Appropriation Account A3110.2 by \$74,986 by increasing Line Item A3110 2 2750 Security Equipment by \$74,986

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said agreement as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

Adopted by unanimous vote - 2/13/23

A. Joyce abstained.

RESOLUTION NO. 335

**AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 42 FOR 2023 REGARDING THE
TECHNICAL RESCUE AND URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE GRANT
PROGRAM**

Introduced: 8/14/23
By Public Safety Committee:

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 42 for 2023, this Honorable Body authorized an agreement with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services regarding the 2020 Technical Rescue and Urban Search and Rescue Grant Program funding in an amount of \$74,986 for a term commencing October 1, 2022 and ending August 31, 2023, and

WHEREAS, The Albany County Sheriff has requested authorization to amend the agreement to reflect a term ending August 31, 2024 rather than August 31, 2023, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That Resolution No. 42 for 2023 is amended to reflect a new term end date of August 31, 2024, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said amendment as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

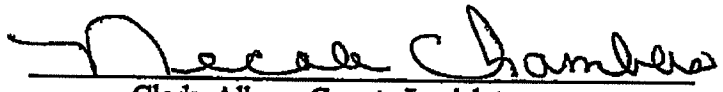
Adopted by unanimous vote - 8/14/23

State of New York
County of Albany

This is to certify that I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Albany County Legislature, have compared the foregoing copy of the resolution and/or local law with the original resolution and/or local law now on file in the office, and which was passed by the Legislature of said County on the 14th day of August, 2023, a majority of all members elected to the Legislature voting in favor thereof, and that the same is a correct and true transcript of such original resolution and/or local law and the whole thereof.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the official seal of the County Legislature this 15th day of August, 2023.


Clerk, Albany County Legislature