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November 22, 2020

Honorable Andrew Joyce
Legislative Clerk's Office
112 State Street, Room 710
Albany, New York 12207

Andrew
Dear Mr. Joyce:

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

Legislative approval is required in order to allow Albany County to enter into a Grant Application with the State of New York, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services, regarding 2019 Explosive Detection Canine Team Grant application.

The grant award for the Albany County Sheriff's Office is a maximum of \$15,000.00, with no match. These grant funds will be utilized for the training of Explosive Detection Canines and handlers, the purchase of related equipment and general program sustainment and enhancement.

These grant funds will expire on 08/31/22.

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

Sincerely,


Craig D. Apple, Sr.
Sheriff

Att.

Cc: Hon. Daniel P. McCoy, County Executive
Hon. William Clay, Public Safety Chairman
Hon. Wanda Willingham, Audit & Finance Committee
Brandon Russell, Esq., Majority Counsel
Arnis Zilgme, Esq., Minority Counsel
Christian Barnes, Minority Conference

REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

FOR COUNSEL USE ONLY	
DATE:	_____
RECEIVED:	_____
RECEIVED BY:	_____
METHOD:	<u>HAND</u> _____
	<u>COURIER</u> _____
	<u>MAIL</u> _____

DATE : NOVEMBER 25, 2020

DEPARTMENT: ALBANY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

CONTACT PERSON: SHERIFF CRAIG D APPLE SR
 TELEPHONE: 518-447-5440
 DEPT. REPRESENTATIVE ATTENDING
 COMMITTEE MEETING: CRAIG D APPLE SR

PURPOSE OF REQUEST:

- ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW _____
- AMENDMENT OF PRIOR LEGISLATION _____
- APPROVAL/ADOPTION OF PLAN/PROCEDURE _____
- BOND APPROVAL _____
- BUDGET AMENDMENT (SEE BELOW) _____
- CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION (SEE BELOW) _____
- ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT _____
- HOME RULE REQUEST _____
- PROPERTY CONVEYANCE _____
- OTHER: (STATE BRIEFLY IF NOT LISTED ABOVE) _____ X
- APPLICATION TO NYS DIVISION OF HOMLAND SECURITY FOR FY2019 EXPLOSIVE DETECTION
- CANINE TEAM GRANT PROGRAM

CONCERNING BUDGET AMENDMENTS

STATE THE FOLLOWING

INCREASE ACCOUNT/LINE NO. _____
 SOURCE OF FUNDS: _____
 TITLE CHANGE: _____

CONCERNING CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION,

STATE THE FOLLOWING:

TYPE OF CONTRACT

- CHANGE ORDER/CONTRACT AMENDMENT _____
- PURCHASE (EQUIPMENT/ SUPPLIES) _____
- LEASE (EQUIPMENT/SUPPLIES) _____
- REQUIREMENTS _____
- PROFESSIONAL SERVICES _____
- EDUCATIONAL/TRAINING _____
- GRANT: NEW _____ X
- RENEWAL _____
- SUBMISSION DEADLINE DATE _____
- SETTLEMENT OF A CLAIM _____
- RELEASE OF LIABILITY _____
- OTHER: (STATE BRIEFLY) _____

CONCERNING CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION (CONT'D)

STATE THE FOLLOWING:

CONTRACT TERMS/CONDITIONS: _____ **PARTY (NAME/ADDRESS):**
NYS DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY
1220 WASHINGTON AVE., STATE CAMPUS BUILDING 7A
ALBANY, NY 12242
AMOUNT/RATE SCHEDULE/FEE:
UP TO \$ 15,000.00
TERM: 9/1/2020 THRU 8/31/2022
SCOPE OF SERVICES: THESE FUNDS WILL BE USED FOR THE TRAINING OF
CANINE HANDLERS AND THE PURCHASE OF RELATED EQUIPMENT

CONTRACT FUNDING:
ANTICIPATED IN CURRENT BUDGET: YES _____ NO X
FUNDING SOURCE: NYS DIVISION OF HOMELAND SERCUITY
COUNTY BUDGET ACCOUNTS:
REVENUE: A33310.03306
APPROPRIATION: A93110.22750
BOND(RES. NO. & DATE OF ADOPTION) _____

CONCERNING ALL REQUESTS:
MANDATED PROGRAM/SERVICE: YES _____ NO X
IF MANDATED CITE: AUTHORITY _____
ANTICIPATED IN CURRENT ADOPTED BUDGET: YES _____ NO X
IF YES, INDICATE REVENUE APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS: _____

FISCAL IMPACT - FUNDING: _____ (DOLLARS OR PERCENTAGES)
FEDERAL _____
STATE 100%
COUNTY _____
TERM/LENGTH OF FUNDING _____

PREVIOUS REQUESTS FOR IDENTICAL OR SIMILAR ACTION:
RESOLUTION/LAW NUMBER: 304 OF 2018
DATE OF ADOPTION: 7/9/2018

JUSTIFICATION: _____ (STATE BRIEFLY WHY LEGISLATIVE ACTION IS REQUESTED)
FUNDS WILL BE USED TO SUSTAIN AND ENHANCE CAPABILITIES FOR A PREVIOUSLY
DEVELOPED EXPLOSIVE DETECTION CANINE TEAM.

BACK-UP MATERIAL SUBMITTED _____ (I.E. APPLICATION/APPROVAL NOTICES FROM FUNDING SOURCE,
BID TABULATION SHEET, CIVIL SERVICE APPROVAL NOTICE, PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT, CONTRACTS
AND/OR ANY MATERIALS WHICH EXPLAIN OR SUPPORT THE REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION.)

SUBMITTED BY: CRAIG D APPLE SR
TITLE: SHERIFF



Homeland Security and Emergency Services

FY2019 Explosive Detection Canine Team Grant Program Request for Applications (RFA)

Application Deadline: January 6, 2021 by 5:00 pm.

In order to ensure adequate time to respond, substantive written questions regarding this Request for Applications will be accepted until 12:00 noon on December 30, 2020.

Technical Assistance for E-Grants will not be available after 5:00 pm on January 6, 2021

I. Introduction

The NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES) is supporting local preparedness capabilities through five competitive targeted grant RFAs for a total of up to \$5,000,000. The final award amount for each of the five programs will be based on the scoring of applications received and at the Division's sole discretion.

The purpose of this Request for Applications (RFA) is to solicit applications for eligible local, county and tribal law enforcement agencies with an active road patrol component of their law enforcement operations to develop and sustain their explosive detection canine team capabilities. Funding is made available by DHSES and will be awarded competitively based on the submission of applications by eligible teams.

The six primary objectives of this grant are: 1.) The advancement of explosive detection canine team capabilities statewide; 2.) To support the certification of explosive detection canine teams and compliance with annual New York State re-certification requirements; 3.) Participation in DHS's Office for Bombing Prevention's (DHS-OBP) *Explosive Detection Canine Capability Analysis Program*; 4.) Alignment to New York State's thirteen FBI Accredited bomb squads; 5.) Use of the Bomb Arson Tracking System (BATS); and, 6.) Promotion of regional partnerships in the development of mutual explosive detection canine team capabilities.

This grant opportunity will ensure that critical homeland security funding addresses prioritized capability development goals and objectives as recognized by State and local stakeholders in the New York State Homeland Security Strategy, specifically, Goal 2: *Strengthen Counter-Terrorism and Law Enforcement Capabilities* via Objective 2.1 "*Continue support for the State's Bomb Squads and Explosive Detection Canine Teams to further enhance our Improvised Explosive Device (IED) prevention and response efforts.*"

Applicants have two tracks to pursue when applying for this grant funding:

Development of a New Explosive Detection Canine Team: Eligible applicants can apply for up to **\$50,000** to develop an explosive detection canine team. New Team projects are limited to the replacement of a prior NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) certified or New York State Police (NYSP) certified explosive detection canine asset (e.g. retirement, loss, etc.), or the development of a new canine team to supplement an existing DCJS or NYSP certified explosive detection canine team(s). Funding through this track would support certain equipment purchases, training, exercise, and planning opportunities that are required for the development of an explosive detection canine team and fulfill capability gaps identified in their jurisdiction's individual assessment reports from the OBP Explosive Detection Canine Capability Analysis Program.

Sustainment and Enhancement of Capabilities for a Previously Developed Explosive Detection Canine Team: Eligible applicants can apply for up to **\$15,000** to sustain and/or enhance capabilities for an NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) or New York State Police (NYSP) certified explosive detection canine team previously developed. This includes equipment purchases, training, exercises, and planning opportunities that will sustain or enhance a present team's capabilities, per capability gaps identified in their individual assessment reports from the OBP Explosive Detection Canine Capability Analysis Program.

7/9/18

RESOLUTION NO. 304

**AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE
NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND
EMERGENCY SERVICES (DHSES) REGARDING THE EXPLOSIVE
DETECTION CANINE TEAM PROGRAM**

Introduced: 7/9/18
By Public Safety Committee:

WHEREAS, The Albany County Sheriff has requested authorization to submit a grant application to the NYS DHSES regarding the Explosive Detection Canine Team grant in the amount of \$50,000 for the period September 1, 2018 to August 31, 2020, and

WHEREAS, The Sheriff has indicated the grant will be allocated for the purchase of an Explosive Detection Canine ready vehicle and general program sustainment and enhancement, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to submit a grant application to the NYS DHSES regarding the Explosive Detection Canine Team grant in the amount of \$50,000 for the period September 1, 2018 to August 31, 2020, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said application 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 - 7/9/18