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December 28, 2021

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

Dear Chairman Joyce:

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

Legislative approval is required in order to allow the Albany County Sheriff's Office to enter into a grant application with the State of NY, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services for the 2021 Statewide Interoperability Communications Grant – Formula Based funding.

Awarded funds are based on data entered into a DHSES formula. This is a no match grant of which funding will be utilized to build on to the Albany County, County wide, 911 Interoperable Communications System. The performance period for this grant is January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2024. This grant was previously authorized under Resolution 21-228 & 21-435.

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

Att.

Cc:

Hon. Daniel McCoy, County Executive Hon. William Clay, Public Safety Chairman Hon. Wanda Willingham, Audit and Finance Brandon Russell, Esq., Majority Counsel Arnis Zilgme, Esq., Minority Counsel Christian Barnes, Minority Counsel



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From:

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Monday, December 20, 2021 11:21 AM

To:

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Subject:

FY2021 Statewide Interoperable Communications Formula-Based Grant Program -

Request for Application Release

NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services Office of Interoperable and Emergency Communications Announces the

2021 Statewide Interoperable Communications Formula-Based Grant Program (2021 SICG-Formula Program)

The NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services, Office of Interoperable and Emergency Communications (DHSES-OIEC), is pleased to announce the 2021 Statewide Interoperable Communications Formula-Based Grant Program (2021 SICG-Formula Program) to aid localities in making necessary improvements and provide for sustainment of Land Mobile Radio Systems (LMR), maintenance of components supporting interoperability, continuous training and exercise, sustainment and further development of governance structure.

Purpose: The 2021 SICG-Formula Program will focus on further minimizing gaps in interoperable communications by aligning technology acquisitions with operational use by first responders, which provides the foundation necessary to accomplish a high level of interoperability. The grant program will concentrate on improving interoperability and operability of communication systems in New York State.

Important Note for FY2021 SICG-Formula RFA: Please note that DHSES-OIEC is combining 2 years of New York State budget appropriations for this program, FY2020-21 and FY2021-22, for the 2021 SICG-Formula RFA. Due to the pandemic and delays beyond our control, the agency is aggregating all available appropriated funding in to one RFA: FY2020-21 appropriation of \$45 million and FY2021-22 appropriation of \$45 million, totaling \$90 million. Combining two years of appropriations will allow us to bring this program up to date and provide much needed funding for counties to continue support of public safety communications.

Eligible Applicants: County governments, requesting funding for the benefit of the county as a single entity. Additional eligibility criteria are listed in the 2021 SICG-Formula Program Request for Applications.

Source of Funds: This grant program is supported by the Statewide Public Safety Communications Account.

Funding Total Available for 2021 SICG-Formula: \$90 Million

Schedule of Events:

Submission of Written Questions: February 1, 2022

Request for Applications Updates (if any): February 5, 2022
 Applications Due: February 15, 2022 by 5:00 P.M.

All Documents for this RFA may be found on the OIEC Grants Home

Page: http://www.dhses.ny.gov/oiec/grants/

Frequently Asked Questions concerning the RFA are also located on the OIEC Grants Home Page: http://www.dhses.ny.gov/oiec/grants/ under "FAQ" tab.

Requirements for Submission: Please note that all applications will be required to be submitted through our E-Grants system. A step-by-step tutorial has been posted along with the application materials for your reference. As always if there are any questions throughout the application process, please contact our Grants hotline via phone at 866-837-9133 or e-mail our Grant Info box at grant.info@dhses.ny.gov.

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