

## **ALBANY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

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MICHAEL S. MONTELEONE
EXECUTIVE UNDERSHERIFF

CRAIG D. APPLE, SR. SHERIFF

May 1, 2023

Honorable Andrew Joyce 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 apply for and accept grant funding from the New York State Canal Corporation as reimbursement for expenses related to patrolling the waterways within Albany County which are contiguous to the New York State Canal System. The award is for \$8,000.00 with a \$2,000.00 match.

The term of this contract will be April 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024.

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

Sincerely.

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cc:

Hon. Daniel P. McCoy, County Executive

Hon. William Clay, Public Safety Chairman

Hon. Wanda Willingham, Audit & Finance Chairwoman

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KATHY HOCHUL Governor JOHN R. KOELMEL Chairman

JUSTIN E. DRISCOLL Interim President and Chief Executive Officer BRIAN U. STRATTON
Director, Canal Corporation

January 30, 2023

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Hon. Craig D. Apple Albany County Sheriff Albany County Courthouse Albany, NY 12207

Re: 2023 Canal Patrol Grant - Albany County

Dear Sheriff Apple:

The Canal Corporation is pleased to announce the availability of funding for 2023 for matching grants to support new and existing local patrols on the Canal and Canalway Trail. Matching grants of up to \$40,000 will be available for local agencies which establish, operate, or expand public safety patrols under the following criteria:

- Patrol services shall be provided during operational hours of the canals, and additional coverage during planned local events. Standard hours of operation for the 2023 navigation season are 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (exceptions to standard operating hours can be found on the "Hours of Operation" page on the Canal Corporation's website -- <a href="http://www.canals.ny.gov/boating/hours.html">http://www.canals.ny.gov/boating/hours.html</a>). We also recommend that you sign up for our Notices to Mariners, which will provide up-to-date information on progress we are making as we work toward a full reopening of the canals, as well as any other notices and alerts regarding water levels, construction or other conditions that will affect navigation (<a href="http://www.canals.ny.gov/wwwapps/tas/tascanals/index.aspx">http://www.canals.ny.gov/wwwapps/tas/tascanals/index.aspx</a>).
- Marine Patrols must patrol waters on, or contiguous to, the current and historical alignments of the New York State Canal System, cover the entirety of their determined jurisdiction, and provide supporting documentation of doing so.
- Patrols on the Canalway Trail must be conducted primarily on the trail proper, at trailheads, access
  points or rest areas along or contiguous to the Canalway Trail and cover the entirety of their determined
  jurisdiction and provide supporting documentation of doing so. Road patrols checking the trail from
  public roadways offering direct views of the trail should not be considered trail patrols for purposes of
  this grant.
- All officers assigned to patrols of the Canal or Canalway Trail supported by Canal Corporation funding must have appropriate certifications and accreditations for the operation of equipment utilized in the course of their public safety patrols.
- Local agencies must provide documentation of at least a 25 percent match of local funding to supplement that which is provided by the New York State Canal Corporation.
- All personnel must be familiar with and have a working knowledge of Canal Law and the Canal Corporation's Rules and Regulations.

If your agency is interested in applying for this funding for 2023, please refer to the attached Request for Application (RFA) for submission requirements. Applications are due by COB March 31, 2023, and must be sent to my attention at:

Brian U. Stratton, Director New York State Canal Corporation 30 South Pearl St. Albany, NY 12207

Applications may also be submitted electronically by sending to: Ted.Westerling@canals.ny.gov.

I hope you will not hesitate to contact my office with any questions regarding this opportunity to enhance the safety and overall experience of the users of our Canal System and Canalway Trail. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Brian U. Stratton

Director

cc: T. Westerling



KATHY HOCHUL Governor

JOHN R. KOELMEL Chairman

BRIAN U. STRATTON Director

April 3, 2023

Hon. Craig D. Apple, Sheriff Albany County Sheriff's Office County Court House Albany NY 12207

Re: 2023 Marine Patrol Grant - Albany County

Dear Sheriff Apple:

Congratulations! I am pleased to inform you that your application for the New York State Canal Corporation Marine Patrol Matching Grant Program has been selected and approved for the requested amount of \$8,000.00 in reimbursable funding from the NYS Canal Corporation.

The term of the contract will run from April 1, 2023 thru March 31, 2024. To make your award final, it will be necessary to execute a contract between the Albany County Sheriff's Office and the NYS Canal Corporation. That contract is enclosed. The contract must be approved and signed by both parties before any reimbursement can be provided. Receipts and other supporting documentation will be required in order to process any reimbursement.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this grant, please contact Ted Westerling at (518) 461-0942 or <a href="mailto:ted.westerling@canals.ny.gov">ted.westerling@canals.ny.gov</a>.

Once again, congratulations on your selection.

Sincerely,

Brian U. Stratton

Director

Enclosure