

City of Garden Grove

INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To: Matthew Fertal
From: Kevin Raney
Dept: City Manager
Dept: Police
Subject: 2012-2013 OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY (OTS) Date: August 28, 2012
SELECTIVE TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM
(STEP) GRANT FUND APPROVAL

OBJECTIVE

To obtain City Council approval to participate in a Traffic Safety Grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS).

BACKGROUND

The California Office of Traffic Safety awards grants to local law enforcement. These one-year grants begin October 1, 2012 and end September 30, 2013. The Garden Grove Police Department has applied for and received similar grants dating back to 1996.

DISCUSSION

The grant that was applied for this year focuses on a Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) to reduce the number of persons killed and injured in traffic collisions by using "best practice" strategies. The "best practice" strategies are patrols and operations targeting persons driving under the influence, primary collision factor violations, vehicles equipped with illegal street racing equipment, motorcycle safety, court stings, distracted driving and warrant service. The grant funds will also allow selected Department personnel to receive training on the Standardized Field Sobriety Test and Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE). The Police and Finance Departments will be responsible for providing the necessary reporting to fulfill the goals and objectives of the grant.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The total amount for the 2012-2013 grant will be \$90,844.00. The entire amount will be expended on labor. There is no requirement to hire additional personnel and there are no out of pocket expenses. There is no cost or income to the City based upon participation in this grant.

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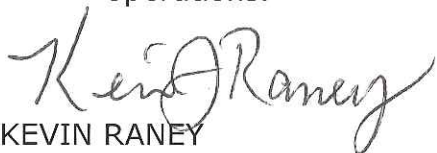
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RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that City Council:

- Authorize participation in the STEP Grant Program for 2012-2013;
- Accept the Office of Traffic Safety Grant Funds in the amount of \$90,844.00;
- Authorize the Police Chief, Finance Director and Finance Manager to execute the grant agreement on behalf of the City; and
- Allocate these grant monies to fund the "best practice" strategies operations.



KEVIN RANEY
Chief of Police



By: William Holloway
Police Officer
Neighborhood Traffic Unit

Attachment: Grant Award Letter from OTS

Recommended for Approval



Matthew Fertal
City Manager

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July 27, 2012

Grant No. PT1343

William Holloway, Officer
Garden Grove Police Department
11301 Acacia Parkway
Garden Grove, CA 92840

Dear Officer Holloway:

Congratulations! Through a competitive process, the Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) has tentatively approved your funding request for the proposal titled "Selective Traffic Enforcement Program" in the amount of approximately \$90,844.00.

Your OTS Coordinator will contact you to discuss your proposal and explain the Grant Agreement process. It is our goal to have all new grants start no later than October 1, 2012. If approval from your City Council or Board of Supervisors is required, you should begin that process now. Do not incur grant reimbursable costs prior to the receipt of your official approval packet from OTS or before your grant start date.

OTS will initiate a statewide media news release regarding 2013 proposals selected for funding. Your agency *should not* publically announce this tentative award until the grant agreement is fully negotiated and signed by OTS.

Again, congratulations on the success of your proposal. If you have any questions, please contact Julie Schilling, Operations Coordinator, at (916) 509-3018 or e-mail at julie.schilling@ots.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

CHRISTOPHER J. MURPHY
Director

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