



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING**

#14-0546

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Lee Feldman, City Manager

DATE: May 6, 2014

TITLE: Motion Approving the Submittal of a Grant Application to the United States Department of Justice 2014 Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program - \$82,070

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a motion authorizing the Mayor and/or the City Manager to submit a grant application to the United States Department of Justice for the FY 2014 Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program.

Background

This matching grant program assists law enforcement agencies with the purchase of bulletproof vests. The Bulletproof Partnership Grant reimburses up to 50% of the cost of eligible vest purchases. Based on normal vest replacement schedules, the Police Department is requesting funds to purchase and/or replace 145 vests during the two (2) year authorized grant period April 1, 2014 – August 31, 2016. The total cost for the 145 ballistic vests is \$82,070. The grant would reimburse \$41,035 (or 50% of the cost); leaving a local cash match of \$41,035.

Special Conditions

The United States Department of Justice requires that agencies receiving Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program funds have a mandatory wear policy in effect.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact during FY 2014. In FY 2015 there is an anticipated positive fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$41,035. Full implementation of the grant will also require that \$41,035 in matching funds be included in the FY 2015 budget in Fund 001, Sub-fund 01, Index FD001, Subobject 9129.

Strategic Connections

This item is a *Commission Annual Action Plan* priority, included within the Policy Agenda, advancing the Crime Reduction Strategy and Action Plan.

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within the Public Safety Cylinders of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 9: Be the safest urban coastal City in South Florida through preventative and responsive police and fire protection.
- Objective 1: Prevent and solve crime in all neighborhoods.

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Community*

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