

Resolution 2003-553


A resolution of Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde, Yavapai County, Arizona, to submit for the FY 2003-2004 DPS CJEF Grant


Whereas, the Department of Public Safety (DPS) has announced the availability of FY 2003-2004 Criminal Justice Enhancement Fund (CJEF) monies for the purpose of enhancing projects designed to prevent residential and commercial burglaries, control street crime, and locate missing children, to be awarded on a competitive grant basis, with the application deadline set for March 31, 2003.

Whereas, the Camp Verde Marshal's Office wishes to submit a grant proposal to DPS for CJEF funding of the management information system project in the amount of \$ 4,166, as may be further outlined in the grant application.

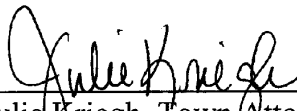
Now therefore the Mayor and the Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde Resolve to submit the Camp Verde Marshal's Office project named, "Safer Community Through Timesavings" to the Department of Public Safety for Consideration and funding under the FY 2003-2004 CJEF Grant Program.

Passed ,Approved and Adopted by the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde, Yavapai County, Arizona on the 19th day of March , 2003.


Brenda Hauser, Mayor

Attest: 
Debbie Barber, Town Clerk

Approved as to Form:


Julie Kriegh, Town Attorney

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CJEF GRANT APPLICATION FORM

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Project Name: Safer Community Through Time Savings

CJEF Project Goal:

[x] Prevent Residential or Commercial Burglaries

[x] Control Street Crime

[x] Locate Missing Children

Problem Statement:

Camp Verde is a small rural community of approximately 10,450 residents with a friendly small-town atmosphere and a mind set that crime prevention is relatively unnecessary. Many residents still leave their homes and automobiles unlocked. Camp Verde's population growth has brought with it an increase in crime statistics, so there is a need to increase the effectiveness of available manpower dedicated to crime reduction.

Statistics obtained through the Marshal's Office automated record system reflect the following increase calls for service; from January 1, 2000 to December 31, 2000, the Camp Verde Marshal's Office responded to 6,714 calls for service. From January 1, 2001 to December 31, 2001, calls for service increased to 7,041. This is a 4.9% increase. From

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January 1, 2002 to December 31, 2002, calls for service increased to 7,436, this is an additional 5.6% increase. Statistics from the Uniform Crime Report 2002 for the Town of Camp Verde show 81% of part one reported crimes were property crimes. With the increased calls for services, comes the increase of report taking and documentation. As a result of the overall increase, patrol deputies are required to return to the office in order to complete the required reports in the department's automated record system. This procedure is time consuming and costly. With the assistance from the Criminal Justice Enhancement Funds, time spent in the office preparing incident and crime reports can be reduced and more time can be applied to community contacts and preventing residential or commercial burglaries, controlling street crime and locating missing children.

Most governments in the State of Arizona are experiencing hardships due to reduced fiscal assets. Camp Verde is no exception. It is anticipated that there will be a considerable short fall in funding for all Camp Verde departments in the 2003-2004 fiscal year. The Marshal's Office faces increasing crime with population growth but no added funding for personnel is anticipated. Our proposed solution is to better utilize our existing manpower through time savings.

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Proposed Solution:

The Camp Verde Marshal's Office is proposing that (\$4,166 dollars) of CJEF grant funds be used to obtain three (3) laptop personal computers. The laptops would be utilized in the patrol vehicles by Deputy Marshal's on patrol to prepare incident and crime reports. Currently the Marshal's Office has an automated records system (Spillman) that is housed in the department building. Each time that a deputy is assigned a call for service, or a call is self-initiated, a report is generated. Reports must be completed in the building on the record system terminals. Time spent in the building completing reports is time lost on patrol.

The in car laptop computers would enable the deputies to complete their reports in the patrol vehicles thus avoiding down time out of service in the police building as well as down time in transport to and from the police building numerous times during a duty shift. Reports completed on the laptop computers in the patrol vehicles would be transferred to disc and then loaded onto the in house records management system in a fraction of the time it would have taken to complete the report in the building and therefore being out of service for patrol and crime prevention objectives.

It is calculated that as much as two (2) hours of each deputy's 10 hour shift, or 20% of his daily shift, will be added to the deputy's available time in the field. This is achieved by the time saved through reduction of travel time to and from the police building multiple times during the shift to complete reports on the in house system and a reduction in the amount of time spent out of the field and in the police building completing reports.

As a result of using the in car laptops, the patrol deputies could spend considerably more time in the field interacting with the community at large deterring crime and promoting community safety. Specifically, the addition of laptops in patrol vehicles and the resulting additional patrol time created would enhance the Camp Verde Marshal's Office abilities to: prevent residential burglaries, prevent commercial burglaries, control street crime, and locate missing children.

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The Town of Camp Verde will contribute the following:

- 1) All statistics will be compiled by the Marshal's Office
- 2) Training for patrol deputies in the use of a laptop computer including placing information on a disc and transfer of the report information to the in house records system.
- (3) Compact discs for the laptop computers.
- (4) Administration of the grant, if awarded. Administrative Sgt. Brian Andrews, will be responsible for the quarterly reports and ensuring that all funds are spent in accordance with the grant requirements.

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OBJECTIVES TO BE ACHIEVED BY THE PROJECT (Must be measurable):

The objectives to be achieved by this project include:

1. A 20% increase in patrol deputy time in the field. This will be achieved by a reduction of time spent in the police building writing reports into the records management system and the drive time to and from the police building many times during the duty shift.
2. A measurable reduction in residential and commercial burglaries and street crime as the patrol deputies have an impact by increase patrols and presence in residential and commercial areas.
3. An increase in manpower time dedicated to location of missing children. Time saved by the use of in car portable laptop computers can be allocated to additional follow up and investigation of missing children cases.

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CJEF Project Budget: \$ 4,166

Project Income: \$ 0

Adjusted Project Budget Amount: \$ 4,166

Item: (3) Laptop personal computers in cases with accompanying DC power sources and cables for downloading information into the automated records system.