

## City of Cleveland Memorandum Justin M. Bibb, Mayor

**TO:** Blaine A. Griffin, Chair

Committee of the Whole

Michael D. Polensek, Chair

Safety Committee

**FROM:** Karrie D. Howard, Chief/ Director

Department of Public Safety

**DATE:** December 4, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Ordinance No. 1300-2023 Authorizing the Director of Public Safety to apply

for and accept a grant from the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, for the FY 23 Public Safety Partnership Grant; authorizing the director to enter into one or more contracts with the Task Force on Violent Crime, dba Partnership for a Safer Cleveland and with various agencies and/or entities; and to enter into various written standard

purchase and requirement contracts to implement the grant.

If passed by Council, Ordinance No. 1300-2023 authorizes the Director of Public Safety to apply for and accept the FY 23 Public Safety Partnership Grant; authorizing the director to enter into one or more contracts with the Task Force on Violent Crime, dba Partnership for a Safer Cleveland and with various agencies and/or entities; and to enter into various written standard purchase and requirement contracts to implement the grant.

## **Purpose of Grant:**

The goal of the Public Safety Partnership (PSP) is to increase collaboration and build capacity among law enforcement, prosecution and community partners to enhance public safety.

The Cleveland Division of Police was selected for the National Public Safety Partnership (PSP) program for four years. During that time, we received free consultations and support from the Bureau of Justice Assistance to develop a strategic plan to address violent crime and public safety priorities.

The funding from this grant will allow the Cleveland Division of Police to complete recommendations related to crime analysis, technology, and community engagement, allowing them to drive home all of the successes they have gained. Cleveland will improve community trust by developing better programs to fully engage the community. They will greatly expand their witness/victim protection program by partnering with local organizations to provide these services. They will provide more training on crime analysis and video forensics. And they will utilize technology to be a force multiplier, to offset severe manpower shortages.

## Expenses to be reimbursed:

Personnel: \$ 18,600 (Officer overtime)

Travel: \$ 85,420 (Training – crime analysis, video forensic training)

Equipment: \$ 154,000 (Cell phone extraction hardware/trailer for mobile cameras)
Contractual: \$ 150,000 (Plan and implement community-specific engagement)

Contractual: \$ 83,900 (Witness relocation, License Plate Reader licenses

Other: \$ 5,000 (Cell phone extraction licenses)

Supplies: \$ 3,080 (Office supplies)

Total: \$ 500,000

- Grant Period is 10/01/2023 thru 9/30/2025
- This is a new grant.
- There is no local match