



**City of Cleveland Memorandum**  
Frank G. Jackson, Mayor

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**TO:** Kevin J. Kelley, Chair  
Finance Committee

**FROM:** Michael McGrath, Director  
Department of Public Safety

**DATE:** October 29, 2018

**SUBJECT:** Ordinance No. 1266-18 Authorizing the Director of Public Safety to Apply for and Accept a grant from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services for the FY17 Ohio Drug Law Enforcement grant for the operation of the Northern Ohio Law Enforcement Task Force (NOLETF); and authorizing the Director to enter into agreements with the Cuyahoga Metropolitan Housing Authority Police Department and other entities to implement the grant

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Ordinance No. 1266-18, if approved by Council, would authorize the Director of Public Safety to apply for and accept a grant in the amount of \$249,999.75 from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services for the FY17 Ohio Drug Law Enforcement Fund Grant. This grant will provide funding for the operation of the Northern Ohio Law Enforcement Task Force (NOLETF).

**Purpose of Grant:**

The goal of the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services Justice Assistance Grant is to provide funding to law enforcement agencies for operating multi-agency task forces. The City of Cleveland will be reimbursed for costs associated with operating the Division of Police's Northern Ohio Law Enforcement Task Force (NOLETF). The NOLETF is a multi-agency drug task force that brings together state, federal and local agents and investigators to ensure the most sophisticated investigation and prosecution resources are directed against organized drug trafficking groups.

The agencies that partner in NOLETF include: Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Homeland Security, Internal Revenue Service, the United States Attorney's Office (Northern District of Ohio), Cleveland Division of Police, Cuyahoga County Sheriff, Cuyahoga County Prosecutor, Cuyahoga Metropolitan Housing Authority Police, Euclid Police, Westlake Police, Lakewood Police, Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority Police, and Moreland Hills Police Department.

The grant award amount is \$249,999.75 and requires a local match amount of \$83,333.25. This award is for the Grant Period from July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019. The funding source for the matching funds is Fund 10, Subfund 026.