

City of Cleveland Memorandum

Frank G. Jackson, Mayor

TO: Blaine A. Griffin, Chair

Safety Committee

FROM: Karrie D. Howard, Director

Department of Public Safety

DATE: January 13, 2021

SUBJECT: Ordinance No. 943-2020 authorizing the Director of Public Safety to apply for

and accept a grant from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services for the FY19 Ohio Drug Law Enforcement grant for the operation of the Northern Ohio Law Enforcement Task Force; and authorizing the Director to enter into agreements with the Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Office and other entities to

implement the grant

Ordinance No. 943-2020, if approved by Council, would authorize the Director of Public Safety to apply for and accept grant funds in the amount of \$249,999.75 from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services for the FY19 Ohio Drug Law Enforcement Fund Grant. This grant will provide funding for the operation of the Northern Ohio Law Enforcement Task Force (NOLETF). There is a local match of \$83,333.25 for a total budget of \$333,333.

Purpose of Grant:

The goal of the 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.

Task Force Partners

- 1. Cleveland, Division of Police
- 2. FBI
- 3. IRS
- 4. U.S. Attorney's Office
- 5. Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority PD
- 6. Ohio BCI
- 7. Ohio Adult Parole Authority
- 8. CMHA PD
- 9. Cuyahoga County Sheriff
- 10. Bedford PD
- 11. Lakewood PD
- 12. Moreland Hills PD

Expenses to be reimbursed:

Personnel: \$ 76,268 (Police officer overtime)

Contracts: \$ 78,246 (Police officer overtime for partner agencies)

Travel: \$ 15,000 (Travel related to cases, training)
Equipment: \$ 42,800 (Undercover vehicle and computers)

Supplies: \$ 1,000 (Office supplies)

Other Costs: \$ 17,400 (Vehicle maintenance, GPS Data Fees)

Confidential Funds: \$ 102,579 (Buy money, surveillance costs)

TOTAL: \$333,3333

Grant Information:

• The grant period is 7/01/20 – 12/31/21

• We have received this grant annually since 2005