

# SFY 2023 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

# State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF)

# **Peace Officer Grant (POG)**

# **Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)**

# **Grant Issued By:**

U.S. Department of the Treasury

# **Grant Issued Through:**

Missouri Department of Public Safety

# **Assistance Listing:**

21.027

# **Funding Opportunity Title:**

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) – State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) – Peace Officer Grant (POG)

### **Introduction:**

The Missouri Department of Public Safety is pleased to announce the funding opportunity for the ARPA SLFRF Peace Officer Grant (POG). This state administered, but federally funded program, is made available through the U.S. Department of the Treasury and appropriated through Missouri House Bill 3020 Section 20.150.

#### **Program Description:**

The Missouri Department of Public Safety (DPS) collaborates with state and local law enforcement agencies to provide a proactive approach for the public safety of Missourians.

The purpose of the ARPA SLFRF POG is to provide grant funding for peace officers for law enforcement activities. Peace officer, as defined in <u>section 590.010(3) RSMo</u> is a law enforcement officer of the state or any political subdivision of the state with the power of arrest for a violation of the criminal code or declared or deemed to be a peace officer by state statute.

**Period of Performance:** 5 months

**Projected Period of Performance Start Date:** 12/01/2022

**Projected Period of Performance End Date:** 04/30/2023

**Funding Instrument**: Grant

Maximum Award: \$20,000.00 Federal share per applicant agency

Match Requirement: 50% Cash (Hard) Match or In-kind (Soft) Match

For example, if the total cost of the project is \$40,000.00, the subrecipient match share of 50% would be \$20,000.00 and the federal share of 50% would be \$20,000.00.

In-kind (soft match) must be directly related to the project and may be retroactive to March 2020.

Local ARPA funds may be utilized to match ARPA SLFRF POG funds.

# **Eligible Applicants:**

Missouri local law enforcement agencies employing peace officers

Peace officer is defined in section <u>590.010(3) RSMo</u> as a law enforcement officer of the state or any political subdivision of the state with the power of arrest for a violation of the criminal code or declared or deemed to be a peace officer by state statute.

To be eligible for ARPA SLFRF POG funding, the applicant agency must be compliant with the following statutes:

# ☐ Section 590.650 RSMo— Vehicle Stops Report

Pursuant to <u>section 590.650.3 RSMo</u>, (1) every law enforcement agency shall compile the data described in subsection 2 for the calendar year into a report to the attorney general and (2) each law enforcement agency shall submit the report to the attorney general no later than March first of the following calendar year.

NOTE: It is the responsibility of the applicant to verify the submission of this report with the Attorney General's Office <u>prior</u> to submitting an application. Failure to submit the Racial Profiling Report will result in the automatic denial of the application. A copy of such report need not be submitted with the application.

□ Section 590.700 RSMo – Written Policy on Recording of Custodial Interrogations Pursuant to section 590.700.4 RSMo, each law enforcement agency shall adopt a written policy to record custodial interrogations of persons suspected of committing or attempting to commit felony crimes as outlined in subsection 2 of this section and shall certify adoption of such policy when applying for any grants administered by the Department of Public Safety.

NOTE: It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure the prescribed written policy is in place <u>prior</u> to submitting an application.

<u>Section 43.544 RSMo</u> – Written Policy on Forwarding Intoxication-Related Traffic
Offenses Pursuant to section 43.544.1 RSMo, each law enforcement agency shall adopt a policy requiring arrest information for all intoxication-related traffic offenses be forwarded to the central repository as required by section 43.503 RSMo and shall certify adoption of such policy when applying for any grants administered by the Department of Public Safety.
NOTE: It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure the prescribed written policy is in place <u>prior</u> to submitting an application.
Section 590.1265 RSMo – Police Use of Force Transparency Act of 2021 Use of force incidents reporting standards and procedures, publication of report data, analysis report. Each law enforcement agency shall certify compliance with section 590.1265 RSMo when applying for any grants administered by the Department of Public Safety.
Section 43.505 RSMo – National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) formerly Uniform Crime reporting (UCR)  Pursuant to section 43.505 RSMo Uniform Crime Reporting system – duties of department – violations, penalty: Each law enforcement agency is required to submit crime incident reports to the department of public safety on forms or in the format prescribed by the department and submit any other crime incident information which may be required by the Department of Public Safety. Agencies that are not compliant at the time of application will only be eligible for grant funds to assist the agency to become compliant. For purposes of grant eligibility, law enforcement agencies will be considered non-compliant if they have not submitted MIBRS reports for three or more months. If granted an award, the law enforcement must remain compliant with section 43.505 RSMo throughout the grant period of performance.

NOTE: Show Me Crime Reporting provides a no cost option for agencies to comply with Section 43.505 RSMo. Agencies that are not currently compliant with Section 43.505 RSMo will not be eligible to apply until they have registered with Show Me Crime Reporting and have begun submitting MIBRS reports. <a href="https://showmecrime.mo.gov/CrimeReporting/MIBRSRegistration.html">https://showmecrime.mo.gov/CrimeReporting/MIBRSRegistration.html</a>

□ Section 590.030 RSMo – Rap Back Program Participation

Pursuant to section 590.030 RSMo, all law enforcement agencies shall enroll in the state and federal Rap Back programs on or before January 1, 2022 and continue to remain

and federal Rap Back programs on or before January 1, 2022 and continue to remain enrolled. The law enforcement agency shall take all necessary steps to maintain officer enrollment for all officers commissioned with that agency in the Rap Back programs. An officer shall submit to being fingerprinted at any law enforcement agency upon commissioning and for as long as the officer is commissioned with that agency. Each law enforcement agency shall certify compliance with <a href="mailto:section 590.030 RSMo">section 590.030 RSMo</a> when accepting any grants administered by the Department of Public Safety.

# **Ineligible Applicants:** ☐ Agencies that are not Missouri local law enforcement agencies ☐ Agencies that are not compliant with the above listed statutes ☐ State agencies **Eligible Cost Items:** The Missouri Department of Public Safety's objective in awarding ARPA SLFRF POG funding for peace officers is to support law enforcement activities in the state of Missouri. Eligible costs may support personnel, benefits, travel/training, equipment, supplies, and/or contractual expenses. Some equipment items related to law enforcement activities have specific requirements to be eligible for funding. Those with specific requirements are listed below. Please note, the items listed below are not the only eligible equipment items. ☐ Mobile Data Terminals (MDTs) / Mobile Data Computers (MDCs) Requirements Agencies seeking funding for mobile data terminals should research the type of computer being requested. The Missouri Department of Public Safety is aware that non-ruggedized laptops and tablets are typically not durable enough for road patrol purposes and therefore not the best use of funds. ☐ Interoperability Equipment (Portables/Handhelds, Mobiles, Repeaters, Base Stations, etc.) Investments in emergency communications systems and equipment must meet applicable SAFECOM Guidance. All radios must meet the Missouri Department of Public Safety, Office of the Director, Criminal Justice/Law Enforcement (CJ/LE) Unit, Office of Homeland Security (OHS) Radio Interoperability Guidelines. The Missouri Interoperability Center (MIC) will review all communications equipment applications to ensure they comply with the Radio Interoperability Guidelines. Applications that do not meet these guidelines will not be eligible for funding. NOTE: Agencies seeking any type of radio or radio-related accessory are encouraged to contact the Missouri Interoperability Center by phone at (573) 522-1714, (855) 466-7946 or by email at moswin.sysadmin@dps.mo.gov to ensure compliance with the Radio Interoperability Guidelines and the appropriate communication devices are purchased for the department's needs. The Missouri Interoperability Center staff can also provide helpful information regarding the department's ability to access the MOSWIN and how to articulate such within the grant application. ☐ Body-Worn Cameras Agencies seeking funding for Body-Worn Cameras (BWCs) must have policies and procedures in place related to equipment usage, data storage and access, privacy

considerations, and training. Subrecipients of funding for Body-Worn Cameras must supply the Missouri Department of Public Safety with a copy of such policy(s) and procedure(s) at the time of claim submission.

### ☐ Body Armor

Funds may be used to purchase body armor at any threat level designation, make, or model from any distributor or manufacturer, as long as the body armor has been tested and found to comply with the latest applicable National Institute of Justice (NIJ) ballistic or stab standards, which can be found online at

https://www.nij.gov/topics/technology/body-armor/Pages/standards.aspx.

Body armor or armor vests must also be "uniquely fitted vests" which means protective (ballistic or stab-resistant) armor vests that conform to the individual wearer to provide the best possible fit and coverage, through a combination of:

- (1) Correctly sized panels and carrier, determined through appropriate measurement and
- (2) Properly adjusted straps, harnesses, fasteners, flaps, or other adjustable features.

The requirement that body armor be "uniquely fitted" does not require body armor that is individually manufactured based on the measurements of an individual wearer.

In addition, body armor purchased must be made in the United States.

Agencies seeking funding for body armor are required to have a written "mandatory wear" policy in effect. There are no requirements regarding the nature of the policy other than it being a mandatory wear policy for all uniformed officers while on duty. Subrecipients of funding for body armor must supply the Missouri Department of Public Safety with a copy of such policy at the time of claim submission.

#### ☐ License Plate Readers

Agencies purchasing license plate reader (LPR) equipment and technology with grant funds administered by the Missouri Department of Public Safety, must adhere to the following requirements:

- a. LPR vendors chosen by an agency must have an MOU on file with the MSHP Central Vendor File as developed and prescribed by the Missouri Department of Public Safety pursuant to 11 CSR 30-17.
- b. Prior to purchasing LPR services, the agency should verify the vendor's MOU status with the MSHP CJIS Division by emailing mshphelpdesk@mshp.dps.mo.gov.
- c. Share LPR data through the MoDEx process with statewide sharing platforms (i.e., MULES).
- d. Enable LPR data sharing with other Missouri Law Enforcement agencies and enforcement support entities within the selected vendor's software. Examples include, but are not limited to fusion centers, drug task forces, special investigations units, etc.

- e. Connect to the Missouri State Highway Patrol's Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR) File Transfer Protocol Access Program. This program provides the information necessary to provide a NCIC and/or MULES hit when used in conjunction with a License Plate Reader (LPR) device. An MOU must be on file with the Access Integrity Unit (AIU) for the vendor and the law enforcement agency and a registration process must be completed.
- f. Agency shall have a license plate reader policy and operation guideline prior to the implementation of LPRs. Reimbursements will not be made on the project until the policy has been provided to the Missouri Department of Public Safety.
- g. If LPR will be installed on Missouri Department of Transportation right-of-way(s) agency must request installation through the Missouri Department of Public Safety. Once approved, agency must adhere to the Missouri Department of Transportation's guidelines regarding installation of LPR's on Missouri Department of Transportation right-of-way(s).

### **Unallowable Cost Items:**

Firearms
Ammunition
Less Lethal Weapons
Lobbying
Fundraising
Corporate Formation
State and Local Sales Taxes
Aircraft
Military-Type Equipment
Interoperability equipment that is not compliant with the Missouri Statewide
Interoperability Network (MOSWIN) and Radio Interoperability Guidelines.

### **Application and Submission Information:**

- 1. Applications will only be accepted through the Missouri Department of Public Safety (DPS) online WebGrants System: https://dpsgrants.dps.mo.gov/index.do
- 2. Key Dates and Times
  - a. Application Start Date: November 4, 2022
  - b. Application Submission Deadline: December 5, 2022
- 3. Agreeing to Terms and Conditions of the Award

By submitting an application, applicants agree to comply with the requirements of this NOFO and the terms and conditions of the award, should they receive an award.

A PowerPoint with instructions on how to apply through the WebGrants System will be available on the Missouri Department of Public Safety website, at the following link under Grant Applications and Forms, ARPA SLFRF POG <a href="https://dps.mo.gov/dir/programs/ohs/grantstraining/">https://dps.mo.gov/dir/programs/ohs/grantstraining/</a>.

As part of the ARPA SLFRF POG application, eligible applicants must complete all application forms and provide all required documentation:

- 1. Contact Information Form
- 2. Project Form
- 3. Interoperable Communications Form
- 4. Budget
- 5. Named Attachments
  - a. Audit/Financial Statement (REQUIRED)
  - b. Federal Fund Schedule (REQUIRED, if not included in Audit)
  - c. Quote or Cost Basis
  - d. Body-Worn Camera Policy
  - e. Mandatory Wear Policy
  - f. Other Supporting Documentation
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#### **Contact Information:**

Additional information and resources can be located on the Missouri Department of Public Safety website: <a href="https://dps.mo.gov/dir/programs/ohs/grantstraining/">https://dps.mo.gov/dir/programs/ohs/grantstraining/</a>.

WebGrants System, application submission site: <a href="https://dpsgrants.dps.mo.gov/index.do">https://dpsgrants.dps.mo.gov/index.do</a>

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