



Missouri Department of Public Safety

SFY 2023 State Drug Task Force (DTF) Grant

Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

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Introduction

The Missouri Department of Public Safety remains committed to assisting criminal justice agencies in making Missouri a safer place. The State Drug Task Force Grant Program makes it possible for Missouri to aggressively address the many public safety issues associated with illicit drugs and violent crime.

Since the inception of the first statewide drug strategy in 1986, Missouri has implemented many programs focused on drug awareness/education, enforcement, prosecution, and rehabilitation and treatment efforts. These programs have helped improve the quality of life for Missouri's citizens. With the continued funding of the Missouri Department of Public Safety will be able to address the current and future needs of the state relating to drugs and violent crime.

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 State Drug Task Force Grant provides funding to drug task forces/drug enforcement units throughout the state for drug related crime response and prevention.

The Missouri Department of Public Safety's strategic priorities encompass several key initiatives including; building relationships with external stakeholders, identifying hazards and threats to public safety, maintaining sufficient capacities to perform statutorily required responsibilities and utilizing Federal and State programs to protect, as well as, provide impactful service to Missouri citizens. We invite our stakeholders and partners to also adopt these priorities and join us in building more prepared, protected and secure Missouri communities. Public safety is a shared responsibility and funding should support priorities that are the most impactful and demonstrate the greatest return on investment. The Missouri Department of Public Safety seeks to forge partnerships with our law enforcement partners by providing them resources to enhance drug task force efforts.

Period of Performance: 8 months

Projected Period of Performance Start Date: October 1, 2022

Projected Period of Performance End Date: May 31, 2023

Final Claim Due: June 10, 2023

Funding Instrument: Grant

Eligible Applicants:

Any state or local governmental agency within Missouri may apply for drug task force/drug enforcement unit funding for its law enforcement agency as long as it meets the eligibility requirements listed below:

- An eligible drug task force/drug enforcement unit must have been active on or before July 1, 2022 with the primary focus on drug enforcement.
- Each eligible drug task force/drug enforcement unit must submit a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) [or memorandum of Agreement (MOA)] signed by all participating agencies to the Missouri Department of Public Safety at the time of application. If the drug task force/drug enforcement unit exists within one agency an applicable charter or policy covering the operations of the unit must be submitted to the Missouri Department of Public Safety at the time of application.
- The “applicant agency” for a drug task force/drug enforcement unit’s project must be the agency’s respective unit of government. The “project agency” should be the respective law enforcement department.

To be eligible for SFY 2023 State Drug Task Force (DTF) Grant funding, the applicant agency must be compliant with the statutes listed below at the time of application and if awarded funding must maintain compliance throughout the grant period of performance.

[Section 590.650 RSMo](#)– Vehicle Stops Report

Pursuant to 590.650.3 RSMo, (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 1st of the following calendar year. *Agencies that submitted their report by March 1st will receive priority funding over agencies that met the late submission deadline of March 15th. Agencies that did not submit their report by the late submission deadline will not be eligible for funding.*

NOTE: It is the responsibility of the applicant to verify the submission of this report with the Missouri Attorney General’s Office prior to submitting an application. Failure to submit the Racial Profiling Report to the Missouri Attorney General’s Office 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 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.

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

- **Section 43.544 RSMo – Written Policy on Forwarding Intoxication-Related Traffic Offenses**
Pursuant to 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 prior 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 this statute when accepting 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 RSMo 43.505 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 to apply for grant funds to assist the agency in becoming compliant with Section 43.505 RSMo. 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 since January 1, 2022***

**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.
<https://showmecrime.mo.gov/CrimeReporting/MIBRSRegistration.html>**

- **Section 590.030 RSMo – Rap Back Program Participation** Pursuant to Section RSMo 590.030, all law enforcement agencies shall enroll in the state 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.

Ineligible Applicants

Nonprofit organizations
For-profit organizations
Task Forces where drug enforcement is not the primary focus.

Eligible Budget Categories:

Applicants may request funding under the following approved budget categories:

- Personnel
- Personnel Benefits
- Personnel Overtime
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- Travel/Training
- Equipment
- Supplies/Operations
- Contractual

- Allowable Items:** (This list is not all inclusive, and is provided as a reference)

- Additional Personnel (Including necessary equipment/supplies)
- Employee Wage Increases (Max 7.5%)
- Training
- Drug Testing Equipment (Handheld Narcotics Analyzer, Portable Mass Spectrometer)
- Computer/Laptop/Tablet/MDT and Accessories
- Data Storage (Cloud or Hardware)
- Software (Facial Recognition, Cell Phone Data Retrieval, Cyber Security, Voice Transcription)
- X-Ray (Interdiction)
- License Plate Readers
- Surveillance Equipment and Technology (Recording device (Audio/Video), Cameras, Surveillance Detection Software)
- Vehicles Leases (Leases may go beyond the grant period of performance)
- Vehicle Purchases (Police Cruiser, Undercover, Surveillance)
- UAV/UAS (Including FLIR, and Camera)
- Personal Protective Equipment
- Radios (Mobile/Portable)
- Information Technology to further drug investigations
- GPS Trackers
- Evidence Storage
- Night Vision/FLIR Equipment
- WAVE Application
- Breaching Equipment

The following requirements are in place for the purchase of body armor, body-worn cameras, police cruisers, and radios:

❑ 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>. The body armor or armor vests must also be “uniquely fitted vests” (see 34 U.S.C. 10202(c)(1)(1)) “uniquely fitted vests” 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.

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

Agencies seeking funding for body armor are required to have a written body armor policy in effect. Subrecipients of funding for body armor must supply the State Administering Agency (Missouri Department of Public Safety) with a copy of such policy, claims will not be reimbursed prior to receipt

❑ 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 acceptance of the subaward.

BJA released the BWC Toolkit (<https://www.bja.gov/bwc/>) to share model BWC policies and best practices to assist departments in implementing BWC programs.

❑ Vehicles

State DTF funds may be used to purchase or lease police vehicles (marked or unmarked), and undercover vehicles. Depending on the jurisdiction, a police vehicle could include sedans and sport utility vehicles (SUV).

Sports cars and luxury vehicles are not allowable. Vehicles should be purchased with a basic package (trim level). Proper justification and prior approval must be sought and granted through DPS before proceeding with the procurement and purchase of any vehicle.

❑ Radios (Portables/Handhelds, Mobiles, Repeaters, Base Stations, etc.)

NOTE: Agencies seeking any type of radio or radio-related accessory are encouraged to contact the Missouri Interoperability Center (MIC) by phone at (855) 4-MOSWIN or by email at moswin.sysadmin@dps.mo.gov prior to submitting their application to confirm the appropriate communication devices

are requested to ensure the appropriate administrative requirements are met as it relates to the MOSWIN.

Digital mobile radios compliant with APCO Project 25 (P25) specifications embody certain fundamental advantages, including interoperability. The term interoperability refers to radio equipment in compliance with P25 specifications, regardless of the manufacturer, that allows users to be "interoperable" with each other.

All equipment must meet all DPS adopted standards to be eligible for purchase using grant funds. In addition, subrecipients will be responsible for obtaining and maintaining all necessary certifications and licenses for the requested equipment. Investments in emergency communications systems and equipment must meet applicable SAFECOM guidance. All radios must be P-25 compliant and on the MOSWIN system. The Missouri Interoperability Center will review all communications equipment applications to ensure they comply with the Digital Radio Requirements for Department of Public Safety Grants. **Equipment that does not meet these guidelines will not be eligible for funding.**

Applicant agencies applying for grant funds for MOSWIN radios should be aware that dual-band (multi-band or all-band) radios (VHF/700/800 MHz) are the best opportunity for local agencies to harness the coverage and capacity being implemented by the State in the MOSWIN. System users must have a dual-band (VHF/700/800 MHz) mobile radio, installed to the manufacturer's recommended specifications, to obtain optimum benefit from system enhancement. VHF band radios are not compatible with 700 MHz band tower sites, and 700/800 MHz band radios are not compatible with VHF band tower sites. Dual band (VHF/700/800) radios will be able to connect to all MOSWIN sites. As a result, **grant funds will only be permitted for models of radios that are listed on the Radio Interoperability Guidelines.**

Refer to the "Radio Interoperability Guidelines" available at [Radio Interoperability Guidelines \(mo.gov\)](#) for list of mobile radios certified as meeting the P25 standard by the Department of Homeland Security and certified to operate on the MOSWIN by the manufacturer.

MOSWIN is designed to provide 95% coverage for a properly installed mobile radio. Portable radio coverage varies greatly based on a number of variables. **The use of an in-car or other mobile repeater system is required if requesting portable radios.**

All necessary information, including how your agency will be connected to MOSWIN, must be provided in the application for the MIC to determine if your agency meets the requirements.

❑ **Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV)/Unmanned Aerial System (UAS)**

If requesting a UAV/UAS the application must provide all information showing that the agency has the ability to meet the [FAA requirements](#), including what is and is not allowable under 14 CFR Part 107 small Unmanned Aircraft Systems, prior to purchasing a UAV/UAS.

Required training to meet these requirements and obtain the Federal Aviation Administration Part 107 Unmanned Aerial System Pilot License is allowable through this grant.

Any UAV/UAS purchased with this funding must include a high powered camera and FLIR system.

Unallowable Cost Items:

- Bonuses or Commissions
- Compensation & Travel of Federal Employees
- Confidential Funds for Drug Task Forces
- Construction/Renovation Projects
- Consultant Rates exceeding \$650

NOTE: Consultant services cannot exceed a rate of \$650 (excluding travel and subsistence costs) for an 8-hour day, or \$81.25/hour. An 8-hour day may include preparation, evaluation, and travel time. Compensation for individual consultant services is to be reasonable and consistent with that paid for similar services in the marketplace.

- Daily Subsistence within Official Domicile
- Entertainment Expenses & Bar Charges
- Fees for Delinquent Payments
- First Class Travel
- Less-Than-Lethal Weapons
- Lobbying or Fundraising
- Military-Type Equipment
- Non-Compliant Communication Devices

NOTE: Refer to the "Radio Interoperability Guidelines"

- Personal Incentives for Employment
- Pre-Paid Gas/Phone Cards
- Weapons and Ammunition

Application and Submission Information

1. Key Dates and Times

a. Application Start Date: October 24, 2022

b. Application Submission Deadline: November 18, 2022 5:00 pm CST

2. 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.

Applications will only be accepted through the Missouri Department of Public Safety (DPS) online WebGrants System. <https://dpsgrants.dps.mo.gov/index.do>

A PowerPoint with instructions on how to apply through the WebGrants System will be available on the DPS website, at the following link under Grant Applications and Forms, SFY 2023 State Drug Task Force Grant <https://dps.mo.gov/dir/programs/cjle/jag.php>

As part of the SFY 2023 State Drug Task Force Grant application, each eligible applicant must complete all application forms and provide all required documents:

1. **Contact Information Form**
2. **DTF Project Form**
3. **Interoperable Communications**
4. **Budget**
5. **Named Attachments**
 - a. **Audit/Financial Statement (REQUIRED)**
 - b. **Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) or Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) (REQUIRED)**
 - i. **If single agency, charter or policy covering the drug task force/drug enforcement unit operations (REQUIRED)**
 - c. **Other Supporting Documentation (Quotes/Cost Basis, Policies)**

Contact Information:

Additional information and resources can be located on the Missouri Department of Public Safety website: <https://dps.mo.gov/dir/programs/cjle/.php>

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

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