



CITY OF GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM

Report: 2024-25 Grant from the State of California Office of Traffic Safety, Selective Traffic Enforcement Program, for distracted driving, Vehicle Code, bicycle, pedestrian, and driving under the influence violations.

1. Motion to authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to accept grant funds in the amount of \$364,000 from the California Office of Traffic Safety, Selective Traffic Enforcement Program.
2. Resolution of Appropriation.

COUNCIL ACTION

Item Type: Consent Item

Approved for September 10, 2024 **calendar**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

To accept \$364,000 in grant funds from the State of California Office of Traffic Safety, Selective Traffic Enforcement Program, for distracted driving, Vehicle Code, bicycle, pedestrian, and driving under the influence violations.

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt the attached motion accepting \$364,000 in grant funds from the Office of Traffic Safety for the "Selective Traffic Enforcement Program" to be conducted by the Glendale Police Department and approve the resolution of appropriation.

ANALYSIS

The California Office of Traffic Safety for the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program uses best practice strategies to reduce the number of persons killed and injured in crashes involving alcohol and other primary crash factors. The funded strategies may include impaired driving enforcement, enforcement operations focusing on primary crash factors, distracted driving, night-time seat belt enforcement, special enforcement operations encouraging motorcycle safety, enforcement and public awareness in areas with a high number of bicycle and pedestrian crashes, and educational programs. These strategies are designed to earn media attention thus enhancing the overall deterrent effect.

In January 2024, the Police Department submitted a grant request to the California Office of Traffic Safety for a program designed to increase enforcement that concentrates in the areas of speed violations and distracted driving. After reviewing the proposal through a competitive process, the Office of Traffic Safety advised that the City of Glendale is eligible for \$364,000 in funding for this program. The city will utilize the majority of the grant funding for specialized field operations. Specifically, the city will use the funds to pay for overtime for police officers, community service officers, support staff, and supervisors when engaged in field-based education and enforcement activities between October 1, 2024 and September 30, 2025 for the following fifty enforcement field operations:

- Four DUI/Driver's License checkpoints;
- Fifteen saturation patrols concentrating on impaired driving;
- Twelve traffic enforcement operations, including but not limited to, primary collision factor violations;
- Two enforcement operations will focus on distracted driving (cell phone use/texting) violations;
- Four bicycle and/or pedestrian operations;
- One motorcycle safety enforcement operation;
- Three "Know Your Limits" alcohol consumption education operations.
- Two DUI collaborative enforcement operations
- Two collaborative traffic enforcement operation
- Five Community Collaboration Engagement objectives

Additionally, the grant covers four traffic safety educational presentations to the community.

STAKEHOLDERS/OUTREACH

Participation in this program provides the Glendale Police Department the ability to educate the public regarding the dangers of impaired driving, enforce impaired driving laws on the roadway, and improve its effectiveness through training and development of new strategies.

FISCAL IMPACT

The FY2024-25 State of California Office of Traffic Safety Selective Traffic Enforcement Program award in the amount of \$364,000. Of the overall award, \$354,293 was included as part of the FY2024-25 approved budget. Therefore, staff is requesting for an appropriation of \$9,707 from grant revenue. The appropriation request and City Council approved funding is outlined below:

Requesting Appropriation			
Amount	From (Account String)	To (Account String)	Funding Source
\$9,707	GL: 32610-2610-2610-GPD-0020 PL: GPD01296AG	GL: 41100-2610-GPD-0020 PL: GPD01296AG	Police Fund – State Grant

Existing Appropriation		
Amount	Account String	Funding Source
\$326,675	GL: 41100-2610-GPD-0020 PL: GPD01296AG	Police Fund - Labor
\$7,001	GL: 44550-2610-GPD-0020 PL: GPD01296AG	Police Fund – Travel
\$15,200	GL: 43110-2610-GPD-0020 PL: GPD01296AG	Police Fund – Contractual Services
\$5,417	GL: 45350-2610-GPD-0020 PL: GPD01296AG	Police – Supplies

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW (CEQA/NEPA)

This item is considered a ministerial activity and therefore, not subjected to CEQA/NEPA review. There is no possibility that the acceptance of this award may have a significant effect on the environment. (14 Cal. Code Regs. § 15061(b)(3))

CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE

This item is exempt from campaign disclosure requirements.

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Alternative 1: Deny the Police Department's request. If the request is denied, the Police Department will not be able to utilize the grant funding for traffic enforcement operations.

Alternative 2: The City Council may consider any other alternative not proposed by staff.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

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EXHIBITS/ATTACHMENTS

None