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Governor's Crime Commission

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To: Chairs of Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety
Chairs of House and Senate Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety

From: L. David Huffman
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RE: Guidelines and procedures for distribution and administration of state grant funds for body-worn video cameras

The Governor's Crime Commission will provide state-issued matching grants to local and county law enforcement agencies to purchase and place into service body-worn video cameras. The sum of two million five hundred thousand dollars (2,500,000) nonrecurring funds for 2015-2016 fiscal year and two million five hundred thousand dollars (2,500,000) nonrecurring funds for 2016-2017 fiscal year has been allocated by the legislature for this grant initiative. These funds can also be used for training and related expenses of body-worn video cameras purchased. The maximum grant amount per agency shall not exceed one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) and recipient law enforcement agencies shall be required to provide two dollars (\$2.00) of local funds for every one dollar (\$1.00) of grant funds received.

- (i) Special Conditions will be applicable to awarded funds in order to be in compliance with policies and guidelines. Prior to receiving the grant award, grantees are required to provide the Governor's Crime Commission appropriate policies and procedures in place which govern the operation of body-worn cameras; and provide appropriate policies and procedure for proper storage of images recorded with those cameras.
- (ii) A special solicitation will be posted to the Governor's Crime Commission website for a period of 31 days starting January 01, 2016. All applications for these special awards are to be received by January 31, 2016. For fiscal year 2015-2016, grants awarded would begin no sooner than March 1, 2016 and would end June 30, 2016. For fiscal year 2016-2017, grant solicitation will be posted to the Governor's Crime Commission website for a period of 31 days starting July 01, 2016 and end July 31, 2016. Grants awarded would begin no sooner than July 1, 2016 and would end June 30, 2017.

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Once an agency is awarded a grant, the grantee will be required to submit incurred expenses into our fiscal system for reimbursement. Photos of equipment purchased along with a property control form must also be submitted prior to final reimbursement.