

RESOLUTION NO. 2023- 143

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION FOR A HIGHWAY SAFETY GRANT FOR THE “CLICK IT OR TICKET 2023 STATEWIDE SEAT BELT MOBILIZATION” PROJECT.

WHEREAS, there are Highway Safety Project Grant monies available through the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety to implement an occupant protection enforcement and educational program within the community, entitled “Click It or Ticket 2023 Statewide Seat Belt Mobilization”; and

WHEREAS, it is considered to be in the best interest of the City of Vineland that an application be submitted by the Vineland Police Department in the amount of \$10,500.00 for said monies for the project period May 22, 2023 through June 25, 2023;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Vineland that the Application for Highway Safety Project Grant – “Click It or Ticket 2023 Statewide Seat Belt Mobilization” Project and such other documents as required be and the same are hereby authorized for execution by the Mayor, Chief Financial Officer and Project Director.

Adopted:

President of Council

ATTEST:

City Clerk

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General Information

Applicant Agency Vineland City
Project Title Click It or Ticket 2023 Seat Belt Mobilization
Federal Tax ID # 216001670

Project Period
From 5/22/2023 to 6/25/2023

Final financial claim due one month following the end of the Project Period.

Type of Application
Initial

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Contact Information

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Last Name: Flores
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Financial Director

Prefix: Mrs.
First Name: Susan
Last Name: Baldosaro
Title: CFO
Address 1: 640 East Wood St
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City: Vineland
State: New Jersey
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Only Finance Officers or their designee(s) are authorized to certify SAGE grant applications and subsequent reimbursement requests. To name an authorized designee the CFO/Finance Officer must notify DHTS in writing with the name of the designee(s). Letters with this designation can be attached here. NOTE: An authorized designee(s) must be from the agencies finance office and cannot be the same person as the grant's Project Director.

Authorizing Official

Prefix: Honorable
First Name: Anthony
Last Name: Fanucci
Title: Mayor
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City: Vineland

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Contact Information

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Narrative Description of Project

[✓] I agree to the Terms and Conditions found below.

Problem Statement:

The most effective device for preventing deaths and injuries in motor vehicle crashes remains the seat belt. When used consistently, seat belts save lives and reduce serious injuries. According to NHTSA, of the 23,824 vehicle occupants killed nationally in 2020, 51% were not wearing seat belts. Seat belts saved an estimated 14,955 lives and could have saved an additional 2,549 people if they had been wearing seat belts, in 2017 alone.

In 2020, New Jersey experienced nearly 3,900 crashes where an occupant was not wearing his or her seat belt, resulting in 126 fatalities. For the five-year period 2017-2021 there were a total of 620 unbelted motorists killed on New Jersey roadways. The most recent statewide survey, undertaken in June 2022, determined the seat belt usage rate in New Jersey to be 92.97%.

This project will provide funding to implement a targeted seat belt enforcement campaign in New Jersey as part of the nationwide "Click It or Ticket" seat belt mobilization from May 22 - June 4, 2023 (and for a more extended project period in some grants). On an overtime basis, police officers will conduct special enforcement patrols issuing summonses for all violations of Title 39 of the Motor Vehicle Code. The main focus of these patrols will be to stop and issue summonses to motorists, front, and rear seat passengers who are not complying with the state's seat belt laws. Officers will also enforce the child safety restraint law as appropriate.

Objectives:

To reduce the number of unrestrained motor vehicle fatalities in the state and to increase the statewide seat belt observational rate (as detailed in the FY2023 New Jersey Highway Safety Plan) through targeted seat belt enforcement during the 2023 Click It or Ticket Seat Belt Mobilization.

Methodology:

REMINDER: As per directives from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (which provides the federal funding for this grant) Chiefs of Police are **not** eligible to work grant-funded overtime through this grant.****

This federally-funded grant project consists of an enforcement overtime campaign from **May 22 - June 4, 2023** (and for a more extended project period in some grants). The project is designed to increase seat belt usage both in participating municipalities and statewide. The grant will pay for overtime enforcement hours during the approved project period, with a maximum rate to be reimbursed of **\$70 per hour**. The overtime hours will be used for roving patrols and checkpoints.

This is a **reimbursement grant**. Participating departments will incur all costs and then submit the necessary documentation to the Division of Highway Traffic Safety for reimbursement.

This is an **enforcement campaign**. A reasonable number of seat belt related summonses are expected

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in relation to overtime hours worked.

All grantees are expected to conform to the established "Law Enforcement Performance/Productivity Standards for Federally Funded NJDHTS Grants."

The maximum project overtime rate is \$70.00 per hour regardless of what officer works the project hours. The officer is to receive the full dollar amount in overtime. Administrative costs or fees should be considered "in kind services" or soft matches and are not a part of this grant. **It is up to the agency to establish its pay rate for the project.** The Division encourages agencies to pay all participating officers a flat \$70 per hour rate for this overtime detail, but agencies may pay their usual overtime rates, if they wish, in which case the reimbursement from the Division will be:

Officers paid \$70.00 - project will reimburse at \$70.00 per hour.

Officers paid less than \$70.00 - project will reimburse at that lower rate.

Officers paid more than \$70.00 - project will reimburse at \$70.00 per hour with the municipality covering the remainder of the rate.

Again, the maximum hourly rate to be reimbursed is \$70 per hour, regardless of whether all the grant-budgeted hours are worked or not.

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Action Plan and Methodology

In the box below provide a brief analysis of available data from your jurisdiction pertaining to the issue involved in this grant, as well as your plan of action and targeted areas of enforcement for this campaign.

****NEW:**
All NJ DHTS grantees are required to engage the community, including new, traditionally underserved segments of the community. In addition to your enforcement action plan, please describe tasks you will take to foster community engagement to maximize the effectiveness and reach of this campaign.

There were approximately 205 seat belt related collisions in the City of Vineland in year 2022. There were over 2400 collision in the City of Vineland in the year 2022. The entire city of Vineland geographic location will available to Officers for enforcement in this detail. Specific locations that will be targeted are Delsea Drive, Landis Avenue and Chestnut Avenue. These streets are main roadways which lead into and out of the City of Vineland. These streets have multiple traffic signals, merging lanes and differentiating speeds.

The Traffic Unit of Vineland Police Department will post information on social media platforms. They will also utilize the moveable traffic signs to advise motorists. The moveable traffic signs will be placed in high travel areas and along our targeted areas mentioned above.

Your action plan can also be attached here:

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Evaluation (Administrative (Performance) Evaluation)

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1. News release sent to local media and resolution/proclamation approved by local governing body.
2. A reasonable number of motor vehicle stops made and seat belt related summonses issued in relation to overtime hours worked.
3. "Law Enforcement Performance/Productivity Standards for Federally Funded NJDHTS Grants" adhered to.
4. "Law Enforcement Performance/Productivity Standards for Federally Funded NJDHTS Grants" adhered to.
5. Timely submittal of Enforcement Summary Report(s) and Financial Reimbursement claim(s) in SAGE.

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Acceptance of Conditions

Acceptance of Conditions can be found by [clicking here](#).

I agree to the Terms and Conditions outlined in Acceptance of Conditions document found above.

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Certification Regarding Debarment and Suspension

Certification regarding Debarment and Suspension can be found by [clicking here](#).

The prospective applicant certifies that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from receiving funds by any federal department or agency.

The applicant also certifies that it will comply with the requirements referenced in the attached document in accordance with the Subaward program.

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Project Location

County to filter by: Cumberland County

Municipalities: Vineland City

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Local Aid & Legislative Districts

Legislative Districts: 1

Local Aid Districts: District 4, Trenton

Congressional Districts:

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Enforcement/Education Details

Description:	Number of Hours:	Number of Staff	Hourly Rate:	Federal Share	State/Local Share	Total Amount
Seat Belt Overtime Enforcement	150	1	\$70.00	\$10,500.00	\$0	\$10,500.00

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Budget Summary

Budget Line Item	Federal Share	State/Local Share	Total Amount Requested
Enforcement/Education Details	\$10,500	\$0	\$10,500

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Federal Single Audit

Does your agency expend \$750,000 or more in federal funds during its fiscal year? (✓) Yes () No

If yes, download and print the Federal Single Audit Requirements and Certification Form by [clicking here](#).

Scan and attach your completed Form and Proof of Submission here:

https://njsage.intelligrants.com/_Upload/2898756_2202914-NJDHTS_Federal_Single_Audit_12_2016.pdf

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Signatures

I certify that the information in this application is true and correct, that the undersigned possesses the authority to apply for this grant, and that the applicant will comply with all Conditions and Assurances associated with this program.

The undersigned gives authorization to submit the application to the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Highway Traffic Safety for this subaward project.

Project Director Approval

I approve this application for submission.

Name: Sgt. Owen Flores

Financial Director Approval

I approve this application for submission.

Name: Susan Baldosaro

Authorizing Official Approval

I approve this application for submission.

Name: Anthony Fanucci