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Council Action and Executive Summary

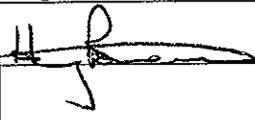
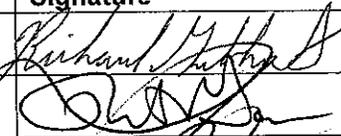
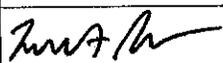
Item # *2 Ordinance/Resolution# 09-283 Council District:

For Meeting of June 1, 2009

(Adoption Date)

TITLE: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES POLICE DEPARTMENT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE LAS CRUCES PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT TO APPLY FOR THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES, SECURE OUR SCHOOLS GRANT PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$214,780 AND TO RATIFY THE CITY MANAGER'S APPROVAL TO MEET GRANT DEADLINE.

PURPOSE(S) OF ACTION: To secure approval to seek grant funding from the U. S. Department of Justice, Community Oriented Policing Services Secure Our Schools grant in the amount of \$214,780 to be used for equipment to enhance the security and safety of students and school staff at five local schools, and to ratify the City Manager's approval to meet grant deadline. There is a 50% local match which will be contributed by the Las Cruces Public School District.

Name of Drafter: Robin L. Rice		Department: OMB/Grants		Phone: (575) 541-2104	
Department	Signature	Phone	Department	Signature	Phone
Police Department		(575) 528-4200	Budget		(575) 541-2300
School District			Assistant City Manager		(575) 541-2271
Legal		(575) 541-2128	City Manager		(575) 541-2076

BACKGROUND / KEY ISSUES / CONTRIBUTING FACTORS: The Community Oriented Policing Services Secure Our Schools Grant Program (SOS) provides funding to assist with the development of school safety resources. This funding allows recipients to purchase a variety of school safety equipment to encourage the continuation and enhancement of school safety efforts within our community.

These grant funds will be used obtain security camera systems and supporting equipment for Las Cruces High School, Vista, Sierra, Camino Real, and Picacho Middle Schools to provide additional measures for the safety and security of students and school staff. A memorandum of understanding has been signed by the City Manager, Police Chief and District Superintendent, indicating the responsibilities of both entities in this project.

(Continue on additional sheets as required)

SUPPORT INFORMATION:

Fund Name / Account Number	Amount of Expenditure	Budget Amount
TBD	TBD	TBD

1. Resolution
2. Exhibit "A" - Grant Application Package
3. Exhibit "B" - Copy of the Community Oriented Policing Services, Secure Our Schools Grant Announcement.
4. Exhibit "C" Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Las Cruces Police Department and the Las Cruces Public Schools.

OPTIONS / ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve request to apply for funding from the Community Oriented Policing Services Secure Our Schools grant and ratify City Manager's signature.
2. Disapprove request – no application will be submitted.
3. Make recommendations for alternative action.

(Continue on additional sheets as required)

RESOLUTION NO. 09-283 .

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The City Council is informed that:

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Justice, Community Oriented Policing Services, announced the Secure Our Schools Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the Las Cruces Police Department in partnership with the Las Cruces Public School District is eligible to apply for \$214,780 in grant funds;

WHEREAS, the Las Cruces Police Department and the Las Cruces Public School District have signed a memorandum of understanding indicating the duties and responsibilities of each agency; and

WHEREAS, if awarded, these grant funds will be utilized to purchase security cameras and related equipment for placement at Las Cruces High School, Vista, Sierra, Camino Real, and Picacho Middle Schools to enhance the security and safety of students and school personnel.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it resolved by the governing body of the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico:

(1)

THAT, the Las Cruces Police Department is authorized to submit a grant application for \$214,780 to the U.S. Department of Justice, Community Oriented Policing Services Office for the Secure Our Schools Grant; and

(II)

THAT, the grant application requires a 50% cash match in the amount of \$214,780 which will be met by the Las Cruces Public School District; and

(III)

THAT, The Council does ratify the signature of the City Manager approving submission of the application to meet grant application deadlines; and

(IV)

THE City staff is hereby authorized to do all deeds necessary in the accomplishment of the herein above.

DONE AND APPROVED this 1st day of June, 2009.

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

VOTE:

City Clerk

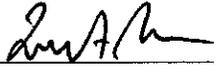
Mayor Miyagishima: _____
Councillor Silva: _____
Councillor Connor: _____
Councillor Archuleta: _____
Councillor Small: _____
Councillor Jones: _____
Councillor Thomas: _____

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Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

Approved as to Form:



City Attorney

Grant Application Package

Application Submission Verification and Signature

Opportunity Title: COPS FY 2009 Secure Our Schools Program Grant

Offering Agency: U.S. Department of Justice, Community Oriented Policing Services

Opportunity Number: CFDA 16.710

Approximate Value Requested: \$200,000

Opportunity Closing Date: May 8, 2009

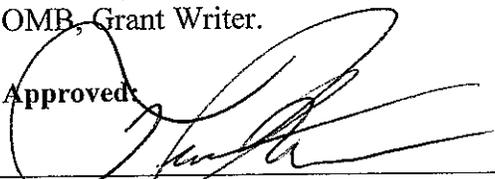
Requesting Agency/Department: Las Cruces Police Department/Las Cruces Public Schools

OMB – Grant Writer: Robin L. Rice/Auguie Henry III

SUPPORT INFORMATION

The U. S. Department of Justice, Community Oriented Policing Services is providing funding local governments to assist with the development of school safety resources. The funding will allow recipients the opportunity to establish and enhance a variety of school safety equipment to encourage the continuation and enhancement of school safety efforts within our community. The LCPD-LCPS partnership is requesting the addition of cameras for 4 schools to enhance the safety and security of our students.

1. Agree with request to submit the application. Affirmed by signature below. Package to be returned to OMB, Grant Writer.
2. Disagree, application will not be submitted. Unsigned package to be returned to OMB, Grant Writer.

Approved: 

Terrence Moore, City Manager

Date

5/18/09

CMP #2.2 Effective 9/20/04: The City Manager may authorize the application for any grant with these exceptions:
 The grant award is anticipated to be in excess of \$50,000 and funding has not been appropriated as part of the current budget.
 The acceptance of the grant will require City Council to adjust the current budget to appropriate matching funds.
 The grant requirements stipulate that the City will continue to operate and fund the project/program after the grant period is complete.
 The grant requirements stipulate that the City enter into a new Memorandum of Understanding or a Joint Powers Agreement with another entity.

Grant Overview²⁹ Worksheet

Title of Grant Program: COPS FY 2009 Secure Our Schools Program

Funding Organization: U. S. Department of Justice, Community Oriented Policing Services

Section Applying: Las Cruces Police Department/Las Cruces Public Schools

Description of Proposed Project: The U. S. Department of Justice, Community Oriented Policing Services is providing funding local governments to assist with the development of school safety resources. The funding will allow recipients the opportunity to establish and enhance a variety of school safety equipment to encourage the continuation and enhancement of school safety efforts within our community. The LCPD-LCPS partnership is requesting the addition of cameras for 4 schools to enhance the safety and security of our students.

Strategic Plan **Goal:** B **Objective:** 9 **Strategy:**
Performance Budget **Goal:** **Objective:** **Strategy:**

Existing City Programs/Efforts *(Example: request for environmentally-friendly weed management. Parks Section's existing budget and work activities includes weed management)*

Expansion of Existing Program/Efforts *(Example: request for advertising to increase public Awareness of the Farmers Market. The advertising campaign will be an increase over current activities/budget.)*

New Initiative, Not Budgeted *(Example: request to implement a recreational activity that is currently Not included in the city's recreational programs.)*

Project Maintenance *(If the grant specifies that the project must be maintained/operated after the grant period ends, list the requirements:*

Equipment will be maintained by the Las Cruces Public School District, all reporting requirements will be completed by the Las Cruces Police Department

Amount Section anticipates requesting: \$200,000 **Match Requirement %):** 50%
Projected Match **In-Kind:** **Cash:** \$200,000
Match Source: Las Cruces Public School District

Grant Application Due: May 8, 2009

Grant Duration *(Months/Years):* 24 months

MOU or Joint Powers Agreement Required *(Yes/No):* Yes, with the Las Cruces Public School District

Grant Collaborators *(List other city departments or outside agencies):* Yes, with the Las Cruces Public School District

Employees To Be Hired *(# to be hired, full-time or part-time position and 1-sentence job responsibilities)* None

Grant Overview³⁰ Worksheet

Grant Manager *(Responsible for contract, project operations, budget management, and reports as prescribed)*

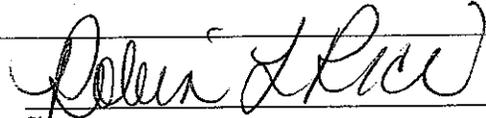
Name: Laurie Padilla

Title: Operations Analyst

Phone: (575) 528-4135

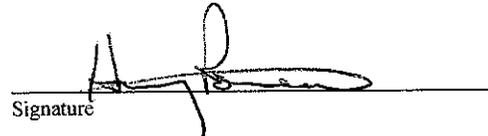
E-mail: lpadilla@las-cruces.org

Submitted by: Robin Rice, Grant Writer


Signature

Date: 5/5 /2009

Reviewed & Approved by: Harry Romero, Police Chief
Department Director


Signature

Date: 5/6 /2009

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Synopsis

Full
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Application

The synopsis for this grant opportunity is detailed below, following this paragraph. This synopsis contains all of the updates to this document that have been posted as of **03/20/2009**. If updates have been made to the opportunity synopsis, update information is provided below the synopsis.

If you would like to receive notifications of changes to the grant opportunity click [send me change notification emails](#). The only thing you need to provide for this service is your email address. No other information is requested.

Any inconsistency between the original printed document and the disk or electronic document shall be resolved by giving precedence to the printed document.

Description of Modification

Application deadline extended to Friday, May 15th, 2009.

Document Type:	Modification to Previous Grants Notice
Funding Opportunity Number:	COPS-SOS-2009-1
Opportunity Category:	Discretionary
Posted Date:	Mar 20, 2009
Creation Date:	Apr 30, 2009
Original Closing Date for Applications:	May 08, 2009
Current Closing Date for Applications:	May 15, 2009
Archive Date:	Jun 07, 2009
Funding Instrument Type:	Grant
Category of Funding Activity:	Law, Justice and Legal Services
Category Explanation:	
Expected Number of Awards:	160
Estimated Total Program Funding:	\$16,000,000
Award Ceiling:	\$1,000,000
Award Floor:	\$25,000
CFDA Number(s):	16.710 -- Public Safety Partnership and Community Policing Grants
Cost Sharing or Matching Requirement:	Yes

Eligible Applicants

County governments
City or township governments
~~Independent school districts~~
Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)

Additional Information on Eligibility:**Agency Name**

Community Oriented Policing Services

Description

The COPS Office is accepting applications for the 2009 COPS Secure Our Schools Program (SOS). This grant program provides funding to local governments to assist with the

development of school safety resources. Grant recipients will be able to establish and enhance a variety of school safety equipment and/or programs in order to promote the development of school safety efforts within their communities. Funding will be used to help cover the cost of security measures such as the placement and use of metal detectors, locks, lighting, and other deterrent measures; security assessments; security training of personnel and students; coordination with local law enforcement; and other measures that could significantly increase a school's security. Grantees are required to contribute a local cash match of 50 percent toward the total cost of the approved grant project during the two year grant award period. All local, state, and tribal law enforcement agencies that have primary law enforcement authority within a partner primary or secondary school are eligible to apply. Applications for the SOS Program must be submitted online via Grants.gov on or before May 8, 2009, 11:59 p.m. EDT.

Link to Full Announcement

[COPS Funding Opportunities](#)

If you have difficulty accessing the full announcement electronically, please contact:

Heidi Custer
Program Manager
Phone 202-616-5508 [Agency Email](#)

Synopsis Modification History

The following files represent the modifications to this synopsis with the changes noted within the documents. The list of files is arranged from newest to oldest with the newest file representing the current synopsis. Changed sections from the previous document are shown in a light grey background.

File Name	Date
Original Synopsis	Mar 20, 2009

SECURE OUR SCHOOLS

Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Las Cruces Police Department and the Las Cruces Public Schools

FORWARD

The Las Cruces Police Department (LCPD) and The Las Cruces Public Schools (LCPS) have a long history of mutual support and strong bond of accomplished goals. The Secure Our Schools initiative has provided a renewed chance to build on the successes. The effective interaction of government and education is vital for the well being of our children and the future of all our youth.

INTRODUCTION

This Memorandum sets out the understanding of the LCPD and the LCPS of the responsibilities, principles, working practices and financial responsibility that underlie the relationship between them.

This document shall be finding on both parties as a statement of intent designed to guide officials and support the development of detailed working arrangements.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

1. To create a learning environment which is free from fear of crime as well as those distractions, which serve as corruptors of our youth.
 - a. Provide a sense of security to students
 - b. Aggressively enforce laws that pertain to overall school security and well-being.
 - c. Develop viable channels of communications for the delivery of information to avert potential at the earliest possible stage.
2. Continue a lasting relationship between the police department, school district and the students, which will encourage communications and serve to develop a continually focused, effective collaboration to the benefit of our youth.
 - a. Involve students in decisions which directly affect their environment;
 - b. Continually provide encouragement to those who can benefit the most;
 - c. Provide directions that can last a lifetime for those who cannot find direction elsewhere; and
 - d. Continually update and refine efforts through cooperation and discussion.

MISSION STATEMENT

The LCPD and the LCPS have always believed in the potential of youth. Through our efforts this potential will be realized, not just today but into the future.

We must strive to keep our schools a place of learning, growing, and achievement, not one of the fear and distraction.

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- The functions of each party are established by governing rules, regulations, policies, procedures, and statutes. Neither party shall be asked to compromise their internal responsibilities as a result of this partnership.
- The LCPD shall act as fiscal agent for grant, in accordance with grant terms and conditions.
- LCPS is solely responsible for the cash match associated with grant funding.
- The LCPS shall be responsible to install and manager the computer camera network. All information collected by system related to criminal behavior will be shared with the SRO at school.
- The LCPS shall maintain responsibilities for their student's well being as indicated in Policy and Regulations.
- Receipt and distribution of funds will be the responsibility of the LCPD for the life of the grant.
- Programmatic reporting will be the responsibility of the LCPS, and be submitted to the Police Department to be submitted within the grant mandated timelines. This will in no way be construed to mean that the LCPD will not be consulted in this process. In fact, it is mandatory that both partners provide input to have an effective accurate reporting system.
- Financial reporting will be accomplished through the Police Department and the City of Las Cruces Accounting Office.
- Grant management and responsibilities will be retained by the LCPD.

GRANT PROGRAM ISSUES

- LCPS will be responsible for planning for a network based camera system at the designated school sites.

- The LCPS and LCPD will participate jointly, either formally or informally, in the review and evaluation of the program/grant. Each entity will suggest plans or changes that will improve the program in an attempt to provide the best possible service and coverage.
- Decision making authority will rest with the LCPD and the LCPS. As indicated above, neither entity will be required to compromise their internal responsibilities as a result of this partnership. Both parties agree to work in a participative environment to make decisions that affect the program. The first line of decision making will be at the lowest possible level and chain of command will be observed respectively for both parties. In this way mutually beneficial decisions can be made quickly and effectively.

PARTNER INVOLVEMENT IN COMMUNITY POLICING

The LCPD and the LCPS have a history of developing and implementing new and innovative strategies to achieve needed results for our community and youth. This program will only service to strengthen and verify those efforts. Both parties will strive to proactively solve problems and strengthen the bonds of cooperation within our community of interest.

The LCPD and the LCPS are committed to the following principles for working together.

- A shared focus on providing an effective and efficient service
- The maintenance of key relationships in a flexible way
- An open and cooperative dialogue on strategic and key issues
- A cooperative approach to settling issues of roles and responsibilities
- A transparent relationship which works effectively at all levels to meet the needs and challenges facing our youth

The LCPD and the LCPS aim jointly to:

- Enable each party to deliver it's services in an effective manner in support of program objective
- Enable each party participate in the development of future procedures in a cooperative atmosphere.

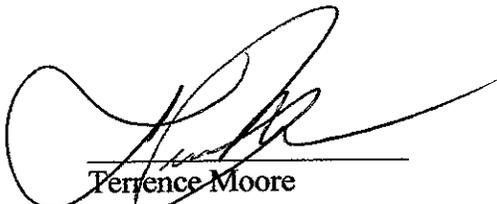
FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- All equipment and services will be funded under a Federal Grant from the United States Department of Justice Community Oriented Policing Services Office for two years.

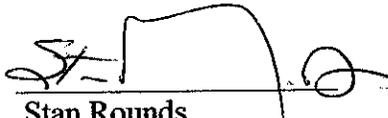
- LCPS will provide the 50% matching fund's required by this grant.
- It will be the sole responsibility of the School District to fund maintenance and replacement costs for the equipment.
- As the City grows so does the School District. In the event that more middle schools or high schools are opened, federal funding will be sought to provide security measures at new schools.

This Agreement shall not altered, changed, or amended except by an instrument, in writing, executed and approved by all parties.

The following parties have executed this Agreement specified on the dates below.



 Terrence Moore
 City Manager
 City of Las Cruces



 Stan Rounds
 Superintendent
 Las Cruces School District



 Harry Romero
 Chief of Police
 City of Las Cruces

5/8/09

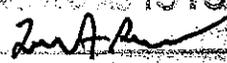
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APPROVED AS TO FORM


 COL. [Name]