

300 North Coast Highway, Oceanside, California 92054



Staff Report

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DATE: June 4, 2025

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers

FROM: Fire Department

TITLE: ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS FROM THE STATE HOMELAND SECURITY PROGRAM FOR POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council accept \$80,122 in grant funds from the 2024 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) for Police and Fire Department equipment; appropriate these funds to the Fire and Police Departments; and authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all related grant documents.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

The SHSP assists state, local, tribal, and territorial efforts to build, sustain, and deliver the capabilities necessary to prevent, prepare for, protect against, and respond to acts of terrorism. In 2024, the SHSP awarded \$373 million to support the implementation of State Homeland Security Strategies to address capability targets set in Urban Area, State and Regional Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessments (THIRAs). The capability targets are established during the THIRA process, assessed in the Stakeholder Preparedness Review (SPR) and identify planning, organization, equipment, training, and exercise needs to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to and recover from acts of terrorism and other catastrophic events.

Section 2006 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002, as amended (6 U.S.C. § 607), requires SHSP to dedicate 35 percent of SHSP grant-appropriated funds to law enforcement terrorism prevention activities including planning, organization, training, exercise, and equipment purchase activities. The San Diego County Unified Disaster Council manages the local area's SHSP grant funds and allocated \$80,122 of reimbursable grant funds to the City of Oceanside (\$42,305 for non-law enforcement activities and \$37,817 for law enforcement activities).

The performance period for this award starts retroactively on September 1, 2024, and ends on May 31, 2026.

The equipment that will be purchased will support the following target capabilities set by State Homeland Security: On-scene Security, Protection, and Law Enforcement; and, Fire Management and Suppression.

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Upon grant acceptance, the Fire Department will use \$42,305 to purchase personal protective equipment (PPE) and hoses. The fire equipment that will be used by the first responders will help enhance and maintain incident response operations for all hazards, including catastrophic acts of terrorism.

The Police Department will use \$37,817 to purchase ballistic helmets and shields. By outfitting the police officers with new ballistic helmets and face shields, it will allow them to more safely respond to any violent acts of insurrection, unlawful assemblages, and riots, should such events occur. The purchase of these equipment will also replace some of the outdated ballistic helmet systems currently in place.

FISCAL IMPACT

The cost of the equipment described below will be fully covered by the SHSP grant. The grant award has no matching funds requirement.

Description	Appropriate	Account
FY2024 SHSP	\$80,122	SHSP 2024 Revenue
		817140324273.4376 &
		Expenditure
		817140324273.5330

COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE REPORT

The Police and Fire Commission will be informed of the funding award at its regularly scheduled meeting on July 17, 2025.

CITY ATTORNEY'S ANALYSIS

City Attorney analysis does not apply.

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ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Staff Report
- 2. SHSP Award Letter