



**GREENVILLE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA
2021 JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM
PROPOSAL NARRATIVE**

LAW ENFORCEMENT AND JUDICIAL SUPPORT ENHANCEMENTS

Greenville County government is seeking a grant in the amount of \$135,951 for the objective of enhancing and continuing programs established in law enforcement and judicial support areas of the County. The primary goal of this project is to improve and/or augment services provided to the citizens of Greenville County by the law enforcement and judicial departments within the county government. **Law Enforcement and Judicial Support Enhancements** will provide for part-time temporary support, supplies and travel for the Forensics Division, supplies and travel for the Detention Center Medical Division, equipment for the Sheriff's Office, and contractual funding for the continuation of the adult and juvenile drug court programs administered through the Solicitor's Office.

Upon award of grant funds, the County will acquire equipment, supplies, and services through the County's approved procurement process. All equipment is anticipated to be acquired and/or implemented within the first year of the project period. Once equipment is received by the County, any old equipment that is being replaced will be removed and disposed of and new equipment will be immediately installed. Training for equipment will occur immediately after the equipment is installed. The acquisition of contractual services will be an ongoing purchase throughout the project as long as funds remain.

The County's Office of Management and Budget will be responsible for coordination of all progress and financial reports of the grant. Reports will be submitted according to the Department of Justice guidelines.

The project identifiers for the proposed grant activities are:

1. Forensics Science
2. Drug Courts
3. Equipment - General

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY – FORENSIC DIVISION

The Department of Public Safety Forensic Division is requesting \$36,059 in support of law enforcement services. The funds will be used for part-time temporary support, forensic supplies and travel. Part-time temporary support will be utilized to assist in working on major projects within the Property & Evidence Section of the Forensics Division. Major projects listed below are ongoing:

- Documentation and temporary relocation of property/evidence in preparation for destruction/auction.
- Identification of stored property/evidence eligible for release/destruction.
- Assist in property/evidence destruction projects for Greenville County Sheriff's Office and Greenville City Police Department.

Focusing on the above projects will provide much needed storage space for incoming property/evidence for multiple law enforcement agencies, even on a temporary basis. Current long term storage space for property/evidence remains exhausted. Focusing on these projects is essential to eliminate the need for expansion and/or the creation of new storage facilities. Funding will be used for temporary employment for law enforcement support services. The amount requested for salaries and fringe benefits is \$20,000. This amount will provide part time temporary employment for approximately one (1) year.

Project Goals: Focus on property/evidence release/destruction processes to maximize storage space.

Objective 1: Identify property/evidence to be auctioned/destroyed.

Performance Measure: Submit disposition notices to law enforcement personnel for approval to dispose of items and maintain list of auctioned/disposed items.

Objective 2: Preparation of property/evidence identified for auction/destruction.

Performance Measure: Document and temporarily relocate identified property/evidence.

Objective 3: Schedule destruction dates with law enforcement agencies.

Performance Measure: Assist law enforcement agencies with on-site destructions and record all relevant information.

A total of \$5,000 of the funds will also be utilized for travel/training for Forensic Division personnel. The Forensic Division utilizes commissioned police officers in specialized areas such as the Crime Scene Section and the Latent Print Section. Each employee must complete mandatory training during a three year law enforcement accreditation cycle to maintain certification as a commissioned police officer. In addition to the required law enforcement training forensic officers require highly specialized training in such areas as Crime Scene Investigation and reconstruction, Latent Print Development, Bullet Trajectory, Blood Pattern Analysis, DNA Evidence Collection and Preservation, Forensic Photography, and Homicide/Forensic Death Investigations. These topics are not typically offered as the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy and must be sought through outside sources. In most cases these classes are cost prohibitive in terms of tuition and/or travel expense. Funding would be used to seek specialized training for identified personnel.

Project Goals: Obtain specialized training for Forensic Division personnel as required by law enforcement certification and accreditation standards.

Objective 1: Obtain specialized training for Forensic Division personnel offered by outside sources.

Performance Measure: List of specialized training classes, location of training, and purpose of each class.

A total of \$11,059 will be used to fund operational supplies for the Forensics Division. Operational supplies and equipment will ensure safe work environments, and compliance to the proper handling and storage of physical evidence. Operational support of the Forensic Division will include the purchase of chemicals, supplies, and equipment for all Sections. Identified equipment and supplies will be utilized by the Drug Lab, Firearms Lab, Crime Scene Section, Latent Print Section, and Property and Evidence Section.

Project Goals: Provide operational support of the Forensic Division to include the purchase of supplies and equipment to maintain accreditation standards.

Objective 1: Provide operational support of the Forensic Division Laboratory.

Performance Measure: List of supplies/equipment purchased, location, and purpose.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY – DETENTION MEDICAL DIVISION

The Department of Public Safety Medical Division is requesting \$2,498 to acquire two Coag-Sense PT2 Monitors. These meters are used to run PT/INR labs on patients taking Coumadin. These labs are drawn once weekly (and as needed if more often) and we average 350-500 of these each year. That number is projected to increase as well during treatment of Hepatitis C patients. These patients are not in the best health and repeated venipunctures for blood draws can become very difficult to obtain as well as causing bruising and pain for inmates. Acquiring this meter would improve our patient care for a multitude of reasons. First, the Coag-Sense monitor produces a result in less than 1 minute. Second, this test is obtained with a very small blood sample obtained by a finger stick as opposed to drawing a tube of blood through venipuncture which can be difficult to do on these patients. Additionally, there is virtually no cost difference in performing these tests in house and rapidly as opposed to sending them to the lab and waiting longer on results. There is also less consumable equipment so there is a cost savings in supplies used in venous blood draws. Last but probably most important, rapid results can be addressed by the in-house provider when they are requested as opposed to waiting for outside labs to result. The medical staff can get these results weekly as usual and compile a list to the providers to make adjustments to Coumadin therapy and the providers will also have a meter they can use during their sick call in order to make immediate treatment decisions. All of this not only streamlines and improves the quality of care that is provided to the inmate population at the Detention Center, but also decreases the amount of time spent on follow up by the providers.

Project Goals: Implement the use of two Coag-Sense PT2 monitors to provide better medical care for the inmate population.

Objective 1: Purchase two Coag-Sense PT2 monitors for use in the Detention Center Medical Section.

Performance Measure: List of equipment purchased with licenses, location, and purpose, and document training of new system with Advanced Providers.

Funds in the amount of \$6,760 are also requested for training and travel for Detention Mental Health Services personnel.

Project Goals: Obtain specialized training for Detention Mental/Health Services personnel as required by individual licensure and the Detention Center's DHEC Alcohol and Drug Treatment Program standards.

Objective 1: Obtain specialized training for Detention Mental/Health Services personnel offered by outside sources.

Performance Measure: List of specialized training classes, location of training, and purpose of each class.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

The Sheriff's Office is requesting \$45,317 to acquire equipment, including gas masks and accessories and Outer vest carriers. Project goals include acquiring the necessary equipment for the Sheriff's Office.

Project Goal: To implement the use of gas masks and outer vest carriers for deputies.

Objective 1: To provide necessary equipment for officers

Performance Measures: List of equipment purchased

SOLICITOR'S OFFICE - DRUG COURT

The Solicitor's Office is requesting \$45,317 for the continuation of the Adult and Juvenile Drug Court programs. The funding will be used for contractual services for drug testing and counseling services.

Drug Courts provide defendants the opportunity to recover from substance abuse disorders with the goal of reducing any future criminal activity. The adult and juvenile programs are multi-phase treatment programs

that incorporate intensive substance abuse counseling, judicial supervision, and random drug testing. Each program targets nonviolent offenders charged with drug or drug related crimes. Participants must have a substance abuse diagnosis and be willing to participate in treatment. Each phase of the program requires individual, group, and family therapy sessions as well as community support groups. Upon entering the program, counseling and drug testing requirements are intense. As the participant demonstrates progress by completing treatment goals, the participant is advanced to the next phase of the program. Program requirements are gradually decreased as the participant moves to the next phase. In the event that the participant fails to adhere to the program requirements, increased judicial supervision and sanctions are issued.

If deemed eligible for the Adult Drug Court, offenders must plead guilty in Court and a sentence will be imposed. The sentence will be suspended under the condition that the offender completes the Drug Court program. The program lasts minimum of 18 months. Successful completion of the program will result in the satisfaction of the sentence.

To be eligible for the Juvenile Drug Court, the offender must be between the ages of 12-17 and charged as a juvenile. The parent or guardian must also agree to participate in the program with the juvenile. The program lasts a minimum of 12 months. Successful completion of the program will result in the dismissal of the charge(s).

The funding will be used for drug testing and for part-time licensed counselors who will conduct weekly group counseling sessions.

Project Goal: The project goal is to increase the number of graduates from each program.

Objective 1: Increase graduates from each program.

Performance Measure: Number of applicants accepted into the program, number of successful completions.

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BUDGET DETAIL**

Personnel	
Part-time Salaries (Forensics Division)	18,550.00
Subtotal - Personnel	\$ 18,550.00
Fringe Benefits	
FICA	1,386.93
Workers Comp	63.07
Subtotal - Fringe Benefits	\$ 1,450.00
Travel	
Training (Forensics)	5,000.00
Training (Detention Medical Division)	6,760.00
Subtotal - Travel	\$ 11,760.00
Equipment	
Gas Masks & Accessories (Sheriff's Office)	15,000.00
Outer Vest Carriers (Sheriff's Office)	30,317.00
Operational Support Items (Detention Medical Division)	2,498.00
Subtotal - Equipment	\$ 47,815.00
Supplies	
Operational Support Items (Forensics Division)	11,059.00
Subtotal - Supplies	\$ 11,059.00
Contracts	
<i>Solicitor's Office</i>	
Contracts for Counseling Services	25,317.00
Contracts for Drug Testing	20,000.00
Subtotal - Contracts	45,317.00
Budget Summary	
Personnel	18,550.00
Fringe Benefits	1,450.00
Travel	11,760.00
Equipment	47,815.00
Supplies	11,059.00
Contracts	45,317.00
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS	135,951.00