

CLARK COUNTY STAFF REPORT



DEPARTMENT: Clark County Sheriff's Office

DATE: April 22, 2014

REQUEST: Authorize the Sheriff to initiate the purchase of a Crime Scene Processing and Evidence Van utilizing Sheriff's Special Revenue Fund seizure monies.

CHECK ONE: X Consent CAO

BACKGROUND

When the Sheriff's Office responds to major crimes, such as homicide, major assault, sex crimes, robbery, and serious property crimes, one critical component of the investigation is the documentation and processing of the crime scene(s). This challenge is exacerbated at large, complex crime scenes, especially in remote regions of Clark County. The value of physical evidence, more so now than ever considering juries demand for DNA and other scientific evidence, is increasingly critical to successful prosecution of perpetrators of major crimes.

Currently, evidence technicians and detectives work out of vehicle trunks and back seats in order to carry equipment, package and process seized evidence, and transport items to the evidence storage warehouse. In the process of doing so, technicians and detectives utilize trunk lids for tables and often find themselves working in the rainy northwest weather without adequate dry work space.

This vehicle will provide lighted and heated inside workspace for detectives to process evidence in a safe and secure environment. This will reduce the potential for contamination due to inclement weather such as wind and rain, and cross contamination due to inadequate storage facilities for transport.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

No Community Outreach was conducted specific to this action.

BUDGET AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This action would authorize the Sheriff to initiate the vehicle purchase through Fleet Management. Sufficient fund balance exists within the Sheriff's Special Revenue Fund to support this purchase. A \$195,000 supplemental budget adjustment is necessary to establish adequate budget capacity within the Sheriff's Special Revenue Fund (1015) and a corresponding increase within the Equipment Rental & Revolving Fund (5091). In recognition of the established schedule, this supplemental action request will be postponed to the next scheduled supplemental process.

FISCAL IMPACTS

Yes (see attached form) No

ACTION REQUESTED


Authorize the Sheriff to initiate the purchase of a crime scene processing and evidence van utilizing Sheriff's Special Revenue Fund seizure monies. Recognize the need for a supplemental action, which will be submitted by the Sheriff's Office during the next scheduled supplemental process.

*WJH
OK
3.11*

DISTRIBUTION

SO Fiscal, John Lawler
Fleet Services Manager, Scott Rood

Office of Budget
CCSO Commander, Mike McCabe


Name Joe Dunegan
Title Clark County Undersheriff

Approved: 
CLARK COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

April 29, 2014
SR 87-14

FISCAL IMPACT ATTACHMENT

Part I: Narrative Explanation

I. A – Explanation of what the request does that has fiscal impact and the assumptions for developing revenue and costing information

This request would allow the Sheriff to initiate the vehicle purchase through Fleet Services and would result in the transfer of up to \$195,000 from the Sheriff's Special Revenue Fund (1015) to the Equipment Rental & Revolving Fund (5091).

Part II: Estimated Revenues

Fund #/Title	Current Biennium		Next Biennium		Second Biennium	
	GF	Total	GF	Total	GF	Total
FUND 1015 - FUND BALANCE		195,000				
Total		195,000				

II. A – Describe the type of revenue (grant, fees, etc.)

Part III: Estimated Expenditures

III. A – Expenditures summed up

Fund #/Title	FTE's	Current Biennium		Next Biennium		Second Biennium	
		GF	Total	GF	Total	GF	Total
1015 / Sheriff's Special Revenue Fund	0		195,000				
Total			195,000				

III. B – Expenditure by object category

Fund #/Title	Current Biennium		Next Biennium		Second Biennium	
	GF	Total	GF	Total	GF	Total
Salary/Benefits						
Contractual						
Supplies/Equipment						
Travel						
Overtime						
Capital Outlays						
Inter-fund Transfers*		195,000				
Debt Service						
Total		195,000				

*Pass-through to the Equipment Rental & Revolving Fund (5091)