

APPLICATION FOR

1. TYPE OF SUBMISSION Application Non-Construction		2. DATE SUBMITTED 06/24/2010	APPLICATION IDENTIFIER
		3. DATE RECEIVED BY STATE	STATE APPLICATION IDENTIFIER
		4. DATE RECEIVED BY FEDERAL AGENCY	FEDERAL IDENTIFIER
5. APPLICANT INFORMATION			
Legal Name Town of Bennington		Organizational Unit Bennington Police Department	
Address (city, state, and zip code) 118 South Street Bennington, Vermont 05201-2244		Name and telephone number of the person to be contacted on matters involving this application Stuart Hurd (802) 447-9700	
6. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN) 03-6000370		7. TYPE OF APPLICANT Municipal	
8. TYPE OF APPLICATION New		9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY Bureau of Justice Assistance	
10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE Number: 16.738 CFDA Title: EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM		11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT Bennington Police LPR Intel Project	
12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT Town of Bennington, Village of North Bennington, Town of			
13. PROPOSED PROJECT		14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT(S) OF	
Start Date: 10/01/2010	Ending Date: 10/01/2011	a. Applicant VT00	b. Project VT00
15. ESTIMATED FUNDING		16. IS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?	
a. Federal	\$22,514	Program is not covered by E.O. 12372	
b. Applicant	\$0		
c. State	\$0		
d. Local	\$0		
e. Other	\$0		
f. Program Income	\$0	17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT?	
g. Total	\$22,514	N	
18. TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, ALL DATA IN THIS APPLICATION/PREAPPLICATION ARE TRUE AND CORRECT, THE DOCUMENT HAS BEEN DULY AUTHORIZED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE APPLICANT AND THE APPLICANT WILL COMPLY WITH THE ATTACHED ASSURANCES IF THE ASSISTANCE IS REQUIRED.			
a. Typed Name of Authorized Representative Paul Doucette		b. Title Chief of Police	c. Telephone number (802) 442-1030
d. Signature of Authorized Representative		e. Date Signed	

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Bennington Police LPR Project

Abstract

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Applicant Name:

Chief Richard B. Gauthier

Bennington Police Department

Project Title:

Bennington Police LPR Project

Project Goals:

To acquire a new license plate reader for the detection of criminal activity, and to participate in intelligence sharing with other Vermont law enforcement agencies and the State of Vermont.

To replace existing patrol rifles with upgraded models.

Strategies Used:

Purchase and install the LPR, and purchase a license to the Vermont state server. Purchase the patrol rifles and certify officers in their use.

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Review Narrative

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Information regarding the license plate reader (LPR) and patrol rifles was not provided in enough time for the application to meet the 30-day requirement prior to submission. However, a copy of this application with the accompanying narratives will be provided to Bennington Select Board members at the July 5th meeting, and the program narrative and budget detail worksheet will be posted on July 1st to the Bennington Police Department website, which is accessible to any member of the public. The website will provide an opportunity for visitors to comment.

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Program Narrative

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The Bennington Police Department is seeking to purchase a license plate reader (LPR) in order to enhance its ability to detect and document criminal activity, and to participate in the State of Vermont's antiterrorist efforts.

The Town of Bennington is located in the southwest corner of the state, only 35 miles from the Capital District area in New York, three hours from NYC, and three hours from Boston. Route 7 runs north and south through the center of town, while Route 9 runs east and west, also through the center of town; both routes are very heavily traveled most of the day and evenings. Route 67A, almost as heavily traveled as Rts 7 and 9, goes through a business district just north of the 7 and 9 intersection. On any given day, any of these routes will see traffic from outlaw biker gangs, members of street gangs, and individuals running drugs from the Albany/Schenectady area in New York and the Springfield/Greenfield area in Massachusetts. Route 7 is also an alternate route for those who are trying to avoid the New York State Thruway because of the presence of law enforcement.

There are also issues with stolen vehicles, registered sex offenders that are not supposed to be within a certain distance from schools, and individuals operating under a suspended license. The LPR will significantly increase our ability to detect criminal activity associated with or enhanced by the operation of a motor vehicle.

Additionally, the State of Vermont is providing a centralized server for storage and analysis of intelligence gathered by LPRs throughout the state. The goal of that program is to allow participating agencies to provide and share data and intelligence, which is also shared by the state's fusion center. The Bennington Police Department would seek to join other law enforcement agencies in this effort.

The patrol rifles are intended to replace the Ruger Mini-14's the department has had for approximately 10 years. The change in rifle styles will allow members of the special response team to use a regular patrol rifle that feels and functions exactly like their team weapons.

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Budget Detail Worksheet

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License Plate Reader

ELSAG MPH-900X2AD3 LPR	\$16,350.00
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Operation Center License	\$975.00
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Patrol Rifles

Six (6) Rock River Arms A2 Rifles w/extra magazines	\$5084.00
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Rifle Accessories	\$105.00
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<u>Total</u>	\$22,514.00
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Narrative:

The sole costs associated with the implementation of this project will be the purchase of the license plate reader and the patrol rifles. The operation center license fee is a one-time fee to the State of Vermont allowing the Bennington Police Department to store its LPR data on a central server; this allows other law enforcement agencies and the Vermont Fusion Center to share access to data and for data analysis.

The LPR will be a new purchase for the department. The patrol rifles are intended to replace current rifles that are approximately ten years old.