

## BWC Grant Money

Werner, William C.

Fri 5/1/2015 10:26

To: Dotson, Doyle <dsdotson@SLMPD.ORG>; Coonce, Angela G <agcoonce@SLMPD.ORG>; Kriesmann, Renee <rkriesmann@SLMPD.ORG>; Sullivan, Timothy M <tsullivan@SLMPD.ORG>;

Cc: Baumgartner, Jerome V. <jvbaumgartner@SLMPD.ORG>;

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Good Morning All,

This message is in response to the email from Director Gray to the Chief to Tim to me regarding DOJ funding for Body Cameras.

Attached is the official solicitation from BJA.

**Important points:**

- For an agency our size, we can request no more than \$1.2 million (the total can be no more than the number of cameras we want to deploy multiplied by \$1500)
- There is a 50% match required
- Funding is for 24 months
- There are specific requirements of the technology chosen
- Deadline for application is 06/16/15

If we are going to pursue this funding it is imperative that we get started immediately. We have a solid base of research on conversations with the BWC providers to proceed.

If we proceed with this, I think it would be very important to get Director Gray, Chief Dotson, Captain Coonce, a rep from the SLPOA, and the CAO (all are stated in the solicitation as necessary "partners") to get together and ensure we are all on the same page moving forward. The sooner this happens the better.

Please let me know how we intend to proceed.

Respectfully,

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**From:** Sullivan, Timothy M  
**Sent:** Friday, May 1, 2015 09:47  
**To:** Werner, William C.  
**Subject:** Fw:

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**From:** D Samuel Dotson <dotsons@stlouis-mo.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 1, 2015 9:46 AM  
**To:** Sullivan, Timothy M  
**Subject:** Fwd:

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Gray, Richard" <grayr@stlouis-mo.gov>  
**Date:** May 1, 2015 at 9:37:50 AM CDT  
**To:** "D. Samuel Dotson" <DotsonS@stlouis-mo.gov>

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WASHINGTON, D.C.— The Department of Justice announced Friday a new \$20 million program to fund the use of police body cameras in local law enforcement organizations across the country.

The plan includes \$17 million in grants for departments to buy cameras, as well as \$3 million for training, technical assistance and evaluation.

Col. Richard Gray  
Director of Public Safety

## Body Worn Camera Grant

Werner, William C.

Wed 5/6/2015 10:49

To: Kriesmann, Renee <rkriesmann@SLMPD.ORG>;

Cc: Baumgartner, Jerome V. <jvbaumgartner@SLMPD.ORG>;

Good Morning,

Depending on how long it will be before we are able to meet with all interested parties, I thought it could be helpful to draft a short list of issues that need to be ironed out prior to grant application.

The grant requires support from the SLPOA and CAO. Specific issues that will be of concern to these parties are as follows:

- Video Retention Period
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There are also serious budgetary concerns to be addressed. Of specific concern to the City:

- Required matching funds for the grant
- Required cost associated with the administration of a BWC program (\$8-10 annually)
- Long term cost of sustaining/maintaining the program (required and auditable)
- Short life cycle of cameras (2-3 years)
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There are general issues that need to be figured out by all involved. Specifically:

- Privacy concerns for the public
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## Body Cam Grant

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Wed 5/6/2015 09:32

To: Kriesmann, Renee <rkriesmann@SLMPD.ORG>;

Can we discuss what the plan is moving forward with the body cam grant?

We were contacted by Rejis this morning asking about specifics and our plan moving forward.

Respectfully,

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**From:** Sullivan, Timothy M  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 6, 2015 09:20  
**To:** Werner, William C.  
**Subject:**

Will-

I got a call from Dave Mueller at Rejis asking about the body camera grant. His # is 633-0260 if you want to give him a call

Thanks

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## Re: Body Worn Camera Grant

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Wed 5/13/2015 15:02

To: Kriesmann, Renee <rkriesmann@SLMPD.ORG>;

June 16 but everything will need to be ironed out a couple weeks before that so I have the time to get it organized and written up.

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**From:** Kriesmann, Renee  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2015 15:01  
**To:** Werner, William C.  
**Subject:** RE: Body Worn Camera Grant

When is the due date....

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**From:** Werner, William C.  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2015 2:05 PM  
**To:** Kriesmann, Renee  
**Subject:** Fw: Body Worn Camera Grant

Quick Question....

Is there an estimated time the Chief will have answers to the below questions/issues?

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