

## CITY OF FLAGSTAFF

### STAFF SUMMARY REPORT

To: The Honorable Mayor and Council  
From: Ryan Beckman, Police Lieutenant  
Co-Submitter: Megan Dales  
Date: 08/26/2025  
Meeting Date: 09/16/2025



#### TITLE:

Consideration and Approval of Grant Award Ratification: Approve the ratification of the U.S. Department of Justice, through the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission, for the Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Agreement in the amount of \$226,471.64 for the Northern Arizona Street Crimes Task Force (METRO Unit).

#### STAFF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve the ratification of the grant agreement from the U.S. Department of Justice, through the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission, Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant funds in the amount of \$226,471.64 for FY2025-FY2026.

#### Executive Summary:

The City of Flagstaff was awarded \$226,471.64 in grant funds from the U.S. Department of Justice, through the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission, for the Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant funds. This grant fully funds one Flagstaff Police Sergeant, and partially funds one Flagstaff Police investigator, and one Coconino County Sheriff's Deputy investigator. There is no cost to the City of Flagstaff.

Officers in the METRO Unit continuously provide support to numerous community groups including, local schools, Citizens Academy programs, local law enforcement training academies etc. in the form of training and educational presentations, drug awareness, and proactive investigations.

#### Financial Impact:

The grant award is in the amount of \$226,471.64 (75%) with required matching funds of \$75,490.54 (25%). The METRO board has authorized matching funds from the Rico account. The Rico account has provided matching funds in the previous years and the board has agreed to provide the above matching funds for this year's grant. This amount will include all city costs, estimated in kind and administrative costs if above normal departmental allocation. The grant award will be the 39<sup>th</sup> funding cycle (FY 2026) for the METRO unit. This grant is budgeted in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 for \$301,962.18 in account number 001-04-062-6050-2.

#### Policy Impact:

None

#### Previous Council Decision or Community Discussion:

Yes, the Flagstaff City Council has approved the acceptance of this grant money for the past thirty-eight years.

Options and Alternatives to Recommended Action:  
Approve the ratification of the grant or decline the grant.

Background and History:  
As previously stated, this is the 39<sup>th</sup> cycle of this grant in which the Flagstaff City Council has approved the previous 38 cycles.

Connection to PBB Priorities and Objectives:  
Safe & Healthy Community: Provide public safety services with resources, staff, and training responsive to the community's needs.

Connection to Regional Plan:  
Effective Governance - Regional Plan (2030) - Planning, Public Safety, Goal PF.3 Provide high-quality emergency response and public safety services. Safe and healthy community: Provide public safety services with resources, staff, and training responsive to the community needs (for 2021)

Connection to Carbon Neutrality Plan:  
No connection to the Carbon Neutrality Plan

Connection to 10-Year Housing Plan:  
No connection to Housing plan

Connection to Division Specific Plan:  
This grant and the investigative officers this funds are supported by nearly every law enforcement entity in Coconino County including the Coconino County Sheriff's Office, The Flagstaff Police Department, Northern Arizona University Police, ATF, FBI, DEA, Homeland Security and the Department of Public Safety. This grant provides specialized police investigations to all the communities located within Coconino County.

Attachments: [ACJC METRO FY26 Grant Agreement](#)