Ak-Chin Indian Community Grant Application Cover Sheet

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Beginning and Ending Date of			
Program or Project: 01/01/2021- 12/	31/2021		
Amount Requested: \$64,000	Total Cost: \$817,116		
Geographic Area Served: Maricopa	City, Pinal County, State of Arizona		
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PURPOSE OF GRANT Prope

Proposed Program

The Maricopa Police Department (MPD) is requesting funding to transform a command box vehicle to an all-purpose response vehicle to prevent, prepare and enhance response by purchasing safety mechanisms to schools to prevent equip a mobile command vehicle with technology to establish and maintain mobile command of local and regional multi-agency critical incidents including responding to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Maricopa Police Department has a command box vehicle that responds as a forward command post, a forward interview room and an emergency equipment storage and dissemination post and a personnel rehabilitation post within and outside of the City of Maricopa. Critical incidents ranging from active shooter incidents to pandemic related community response are incidents that can be supported with this grant funding. The mobile command vehicle requires technological upgrade to support communications and intelligence to field and support units. This vehicle is equipped with a negotiation operations center area with an area to set up communications with suspects and victims of critical incidents, however MPD would like to move towards full NIMS (National Incident Management Systems) compliance vehicle for planning and the preservation of life at critical incidents. The upgrade will require a portable bathroom, replacement of a wireless access point, removing old communications equipment including cameras, monitors and computers that are outdated. The work stations will need to be removed and reconfigured to maximize the usable space within the vehicle to accommodate a negotiator and a coach. New monitors cameras, computers and radios will need to be purchased and installed in the mobile command vehicle. This unit will also require new laptops and police radios in the mobile command section of the vehicle.

Project

The primary focus of this project is to prevent, be prepared and enhance response for an active shooter event, civil disorder, natural disaster, pandemic response and major investigations with increased capabilities to regional public safety partners. Critical incidents like theses impact our communities on a regular basis. It is imperative the Maricopa Police Department make a greater impact on the residents and visitors of our communities by improving response and mitigation of these tragic incidents. These incidents can range from flooding to domestic or international terrorism. It is the duty of Maricopa Police Department and regional partners to be prepared for and effectively respond to a critical incident to save lives and protect the quality of life of those affected. This project will enhance Maricopa's commitment to expanding emergency response capabilities.

Need

Critical incident response focuses on many factors such as personnel, training and equipment. Maricopa is financially committed to being a regional partner to ensure the safety and quality of life is not compromised by a natural or man-made disaster. Currently, Maricopa is the largest municipal police department in Northwest Pinal County. Maricopa is invested in providing emergency response capabilities to regional partners. These capabilities include a Regional Training Facility and Communications Center. Within this facility is an Emergency Operations Center with the capacity to facilitate the National Incident Management System (NIMS) of most major incidents within or in close proximity to Maricopa. Maricopa PD has expanded its communications capabilities through a 700/800 mghz RWC tower site which expanded radio coverage from South Mountain into western Pinal County. This radio tower directly benefits regional partners in the event of a critical incident. Maricopa has an all-purpose command box vehicle that requires transformation to allow for personnel to respond to school crisis scenes, train derailments, floods and other unplanned emergencies. At this time sworn staff are responding to an administrative building to pick up equipment for deployment (unmanned acrial system, tactical robots, 3D crime scene re-creation equipment etc.) This increases response time to a situation that is already a crisis and needs immediate public safety intervention and mediation.

According to Maricopa's General Plan and 2040 Vision, residents take comfort knowing they live in a safe community and where citizen involvement supports and upholds the value of safety and security in the City. Maricopa is a major gateway city to the Phoenix metropolitan region from Interstate 8 from the west and Route 85

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from the south. Maricopa has significant traffic from Interstate 8 from southern California and border crossings from western and central Pima County. Once the traffic enters onto the municipal roads, Maricopa becomes vulnerable to an attack. Commercial carriers frequently use Maricopa as a shortcut into Phoenix that may be carrying drugs, hazardous materials or explosives. The only line of defense for the metro area from the south is the border crossing locations in Maricopa.

Maricopa has busy highways running through the city; SR 347 and SR 238. According to the Arizona Department of Transportation there are 34,126 single and multi-trailer commercial vehicles traveling along SR 347 and SR 238 daily. In Maricopa and within a 20-mile radius are three large produce companies, two large cattle shipping companies, an egg farm and an ethanol plant. This is evidenced by numerous commercial vehicles passing through Maricopa daily. An increase in truck traffic transporting goods to/from the state and an increase in construction traffic within Maricopa results in increased commercial traffic combined with an increase of passenger vehicle traffic translating into a higher exposure rate of potential hazardous materials spills. The Union Pacific Rail Road's (UPRR) Sunset Line crosses SR 347 in the center of the Maricopa community. The Sunset Line is one of UPRR's key transcontinental freight corridors, and currently over 50-60 trains per day pass through the UPRR/SR 347 intersection at speeds in excess of 50 mph. This is also an area of concern for special operations calls related to train accidents and hazardous and flammable spills. Each of these varying types of transportation poses a health and safety risk to the citizenry.

The city is in the Lower Santa Cruz River Wash. A U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Study released in concludes a major flood on the Lower Santa Cruz River could cause \$186 million in structure and related damage to the area. Each year emergencies take their toll on government through floods, fire, tactical incidents, homicide investigations and extended searches for missing persons. Maricopa and other areas of Pinal County have large venues which include recreational centers, malls, hotels and entertainment venues where a critical incident could impact thousands with an active shooter. The devastating effects of these critical events in terms of lives lost, injuries, property damage, and lost business can have serious consequences on communities. This grant assistance is essential to providing agencies a forward (NIMS) command coordination center where critical decision making is imperative in support of a coordinated incident response and the most fundamental element for Maricopa and its regional partners.

The Maricopa Police Department has been involved in preparing for an active shooter events since 2014. Officers complete refresher training every two years. In addition, staff has received training from the Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response (ALERRT) training in a limited number. Currently the department has twelve (12) instructors for Active Shooter Training certified in Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events (CRASE). Law enforcement officers and agencies are frequently requested by schools, businesses, and community members for direction and presentations on what they should do if confronted with an active shooter event. The Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events (CRASE) course, designed and built on the Avoid, Deny and Defend (ADD) strategies. Topics in this training will include the history and prevalence of active shooter events, civilian response options, medical issues, and considerations for conducting drills. Annually, law enforcement works all fourteen (14) schools in Maricopa to conduct lock down drills and provide feedback. Law Enforcement has an obligation to increase trust and build relationships in the community it serves. Maricopa is committed to protecting the fourteen (14) schools in the City and minimize the number of deaths during an active shooter. After defining the challenges, communities can build on the consensus that already exists that safe schools are everyone's business. The safety-learning connection is clear—if schools are not safe, children will not find themselves in an environment in which they can learn. Crime and its related problems create an unfavorable environment for academic success Safe schools require a broad-based effort by partners in many sectors of the community to that end, on March 1, 2018, MUSD hosted a Town Hall discussion for residents with MUSD Superintendent, School Board Members, the Mayor and the City of Maricopa Police and Fire Chiefs. As a result of this town hall, consensus from the Maricopa Community was that safety in the schools was poorly addressed.

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The Police Department continues to work with schools to gain feedback from the community and form lasting partnerships to prevent violence youth's learning environments.

Target Population

This project will benefit directly the entire population of the City of Maricopa (52,791 residents), Ak-Chin Indian Community (669), Gila River Indian Community (11,257), Stanfield (651) and Pinal County (389,350.) Assistance will also be provided to the Pinal County Sheriff's Office, Arizona City, Arizona Department of Public Safety, unincorporated areas of Pinal County and the surrounding state highways. In addition, 32.7% of the population is under the age of 18. There is one public school district with six (6) elementary schools, two (2) middle schools and one (1) high school and four charter schools, which does include an additional high school campus. When school is in session over 240 buses travel through the Maricopa carrying 6,000+ students to the school. Collectively, the schools have approximately 10,918 students.

Project goals and Objectives

The goal of the project is to prevent, prepare and enhance mobile response with to establish and maintain a forward command post in alignment with NIMS model of crisis response.

To accomplish this goal, the project will complete the following objectives in a twelve month timeframe:

- 1. To purchase hand held wands to provide two (2) each to the local fourteen (14) Maricopa schools
- 2. To purchase rapid response vest kits
- 3. To purchase a portable bathroom to install into the mobile forward command post.
- 4. To refurbish the mobile forward command post with rooms and technology.
- 5. Deploy the mobile forward command post.
 - a. Respond quickly to incidents with necessary tools and equipment for unplanned emergencies.
 - b. Interview critical witnesses at the scene
 - c. Manage public safety personnel, equipment and dispatch while on crisis scenes
 - d. Plan for response, rehabilitation defusing and debriefing using the NIMS model
 - e. Afford place for private location to strategize multi-jurisdictional response

Timeline

Task	Length	Completion Date	
Purchase Hand Held Wands	60-90 days	03/31/21	
Purchase Rapid Response Vests	60-90 days	03/31/21	
Procure and Install Portable Bathroom	6 months	06/30/21	
Refurbish Mobile Command Post	6 months	06/30/21	
Purchase Technology	60-90 days	03/31/21	
Deploy the Mobile Command Post	6 months	12/31/21	

RESOURCES

Current Funding Sources: (Define One-time or Long-term)

The City of Maricopa has adopted its FY 20-21 Capital Improvement Project (CIP) and Operations Budget. The Mobile Command Post was purchased in FY20 and fuel and maintenance of the vehicle are in FY21 budget.

This is a one-time funding however the CIP and General Fund Budget are reviewed, and adopted on an annual basis.

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The Police Department has applied for the School Violence Prevention Program through the U.S. Department of Justice with an award pending in September 2020 in the amount of \$500,000. This pending funding source is a one-time award to install technology for expedited notification to law enforcement during an emergency and training to the schools to prevent school violence. The technology includes a camera system and lighting at Heritage Academy and ID Technology, School Site Alarms, Cameras in parking lots, campus lighting and new intercom systems for Maricopa Unified School District

The Police Department has applied to Office of Victims of Crimes - Law Enforcement Based Victim Specialist Program for a Youth Engagement Advocate with an award pending in September 2020 in the amount of \$198,116 over three years. The Youth Engagement Advocate will work with children between 11 and 18, filling the gap between schools, police officers and long-term community supports in a program called Maricopa Youth C.H.A.T (Community Helping Raise Awareness Together). The development period of adolescence through young adulthood is critical. Police calls for service are intervention points that can provide an opportunity to change the trajectory of misguided youth actions and provide positive adult interaction and connection desperately needed in the community.

Other Organizations and Partners: (Funding and Roles)

Regional Response Assistance would be provided to Ak-Chin Indian Community, Gila River Indian Community, Stanfield, Casa Grande, and Pinal County. Assistance will also be provided to the Pinal County Sheriff's Office, Arizona City, Arizona Department of Public Safety, unincorporated areas of Pinal County and the surrounding state highways. These are considered regional partners in public safety and their role is to provide safety and security within their communities and preparation and response to critical incidents.

New of Continuing Project: (How Continue After Grant)

This is a continuing project with the City of Maricopa Police Department to enhance its regional response to emergency events in Western Pinal County. The Maricopa Police Department will continue to make requests of the Mayor and City Council through the annual budgeting process to maintain the software and technology purchased through the grant award to maintain the department as a self-sustaining regional partner. The City of Maricopa maintains the Command Vehicle within its fleet, conducting all necessary maintenance in order to deploy upon request.

Funding from Other Arizona Tribes

Maricopa in Motion - Community Services - 2016 \$17,500 Homebound Library Delivery Program-Community Services-2016 \$40,000 Regional Training Center and Emergency Operations Center - Police -2014- \$500,000 Immediate Action Team-Police - 2013 \$37,644 Design Amtrak Station Relocation - Public Works - 2012 \$300,000 K-9 - Police - 2012 - \$22,680 Heritage District Clean-Up- Economic Development - 2010 -\$50,000 Traffic Variable Message Boards - Public Works - 2007-\$49,418

REPORTS

Account and Manage Funds / Document Progress and Results:

Funding will be expended and tracked through the Police Department and the city's Budget Office using Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. The Maricopa Police Department follow the City's Purchasing Division to procure the items. Supporting documentation to each item purchased will be maintained and reported at the end of the grant period. Once the items are purchased all local Maricopa schools will be notified and the Regional Partners will be notified of the availability of the enhancements to the regional response through the use

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of staff from the Maricopa Police Department. School Resource Officers and school staff will report on the use of the hand held wands and document any findings that prevented an act of violence. Once the command unit is deployed, the regional partners and the types of incidents the vehicle will be documented in an annual report to

BUDGET

Budget Item	Quantity and Cost	Amount Requested from Ak- Chin	Amount from City Funds	Amount from Pending Grants	Total Project Cost	Timeframe for Expenditure
Hand Held Metal Wands	28/ \$4,700	\$4,700		Grances	\$4,700	60-90 days
Rapid Response Vests	10/ \$11,000	\$11,000			\$11,000	60-90 days
Refurbish – Rooms and Equip	\$48,000	\$48,000			\$45,000	6 months
SVPP			***************************************	\$500,000	\$500,000	12 months
Youth Advocate				\$198,116	\$198,116	12 months
Mobile Command			\$50,000		\$50,000	Completed
Vehicle Fuel &Maintenance			\$5,000		\$5,000	12 months
TOTALS		\$64,000	\$55,000	\$698,116	\$817,116	

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If full funding is not available for this request the Maricopa Police Department has prioritized the items in terms of need for the most successful outcome in an emergency response.

- 1. Rapid Response Vests
- 2. Refurbish Mobile Command Post
- 3. Hand Held Wands