

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
CITY OF LOWELL

In City Council

VOTE

Authorizing the City Manager on behalf of the City of Lowell, to accept and expend a Grant from the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Office for their FY21 Community Policing Development Microgrants Program in the amount of One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand and 00/100 (\$125,000.00) Dollars.

The City of Lowell is desirous of accepting and expending a grant from the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Office for their FY21 Community Policing Development Microgrants Program; and

The Grant will enable the Lowell Police Department to implement a cadet program in order to engage with prospective officers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT VOTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOWELL:

That the City Manager be and she is hereby authorized in the name of the City of Lowell, to accept and expend a Grant from the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Office regarding the FY21 Community Policing Development Microgrants Program award in the amount of One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand and 00/100 (\$125,000.00) Dollars to implement a cadet program in order to engage with prospective officers.

BE IT FURTHER VOTED:

That the City Manager, on behalf of the City of Lowell, be and hereby is, authorized to execute any and all documents necessary in connection with said grant, including the expenditure thereof.



Raymond Kelly Richardson
Superintendent

Barry Golner
Deputy Superintendent

Mark LeBlanc
Deputy Superintendent

To: City Manager, Eileen Donoghue
From: Superintendent Kelly Richardson
Date: October 14, 2021
Re: Community Policing Development Microgrants Program Award

10/14/21
K.R.

The Lowell Police Department is excited to notify you of a grant award recently received from the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Office. The Department received the FY21 Community Policing Development Microgrants Program award in the amount of \$125,000. This funding will enable the LPD to implement a cadet program for Lowell residents. Cadets will have the opportunity to explore a various units within the department including the Traffic Unit, K-9 Unit, and Family Services Unit. Cadets will also attend Civil Service Exam preparation classes and complete physical assessments in order to prepare for the police academy. The LPD is confident that this program will encourage more individuals to pursue a career in law enforcement. Additionally, this program will be essential to increasing diversity within the department.



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October 14, 2021

City Council
City of Lowell
375 Merrimack Street
Lowell, MA 01852

Dear City Councilors,

The Lowell Police Department recently received notification from the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Office regarding the FY21 Community Policing Development Microgrants Program award in the amount of \$125,000. The LPD respectfully requests the City Council's approval to accept and expend this award.

This funding will enable the LPD to implement a cadet program in order to engage with prospective officers. Cadets will have the opportunity to explore various units within the department and participate in community policing initiatives (e.g. Police Activities League and National Night Out). This program will be essential to increasing diversity within the department and strengthening the relationship between the LPD and community.

Sincerely,

Raymond Kelly Richardson
Superintendent