LRB-FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS

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This file authorizes the Police Department to continue to participate as a subgrantee in a Seat Belt Enforcement Project grant from the United States Department of Transportation awarded to the Milwaukee County Sheriff Department. The grant is for \$107,482 of which \$45,482 (42%) would be provided by the city and \$62,000 (58%) would be provided by the grantor.

Background

- 1. This grant will focus on promoting the use of seat belts for children ages eight and under. All law enforcement agencies in Milwaukee County will be involved with this project.
- 2. Milwaukee County will be responsible for promoting this seat belt use campaign. Milwaukee County will be assisted by several partners (Milwaukee Urban League, State of Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Milwaukee Safety Commission, Southeast Wisconsin Safe Kids Coalition, etc.).
- 3. The Milwaukee Police Department's motorcycle unit will be involved with this grant via general traffic enforcement of Wisconsin's seat belt law, which requires that individuals under the age of 8 be buckled up.
- 4. The general traffic enforcement of the seat belt law will be countywide.
- 5. In 2000, the grant was for \$105,652, with a City share of \$43,652 and a grantor share of \$62,000.
- 6. The seat belt enforcement efforts in Milwaukee County will supplement two national seat belt use efforts: Operation American Buckle Up Children (ABC), and the National Buckle-Up America Campaign scheduled to occur over the Memorial Day Weekend in May 2001

Discussion

- 1. The Program will operate from October 1, 2000 to September 30, 2001.
- 2. This is a continuation grant, which is renewable on an annual basis.
- 3. Funding from this program will be used to cover overtime expenses of officers.

Fiscal Impact

None, the City will make an in-kind donation.