

LRB – RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
ITEM 11, FILE #081172

JANUARY 8, 2009

File #081172 authorizes the Milwaukee Police Department to accept and fund an ATF Milwaukee Firearms/Violent Crimes Impact Team task force grant in the amount of \$97,972 from the U.S. Department of Justice - Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. Proceeds are used to fund overtime expenses for Milwaukee Police Department officers when participating in Firearms Trafficking Task Force and/or Violent Crimes Impact Team activities. The 100% donor funded grant is for the period October 1, 2008 to September 30, 2009.

BACKGROUND

The Firearms Trafficking Task Force coordinates law enforcement activities addressing transfers and possession of firearms in violation of state and federal laws. Coordination is particularly important due to the potential for violence in undercover or sting operations. The Violent Crimes Impact Team conducts long-term investigations into violent criminals associated with street gangs or well organized crime units.

In prior years, this grant was presented in two separate files: an ATF/Milwaukee Firearms Trafficking Task Force grant and an ATF/Violent Crimes Impact Team grant. The table below presents the funding history of these two grants:

<i>File</i>	<i>Grant</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Grantor Share</i>	<i>City Share</i>	<i>Total</i>
041260 & 050623	Firearms Trafficking	10/01/04 - 9/30/05	\$42,000	\$27,383	\$69,383
051584 & 060989	Firearms Trafficking	10/01/05 - 9/30/07	\$92,606	\$0	\$92,606
061414	Violent Crimes	10/01/06 – 9/30/07	\$28,000	\$0	\$28,000
071324	Firearms Trafficking	10/01/07 – 9/30/08	\$31,708	\$0	\$31,708
071325	Violent Crimes	10/01/07 – 9/30/08	\$63,416	\$0	\$63,416

DISCUSSION

File #081172 grant proceeds in the amount of \$97,972 will be used to continue funding overtime expenses for Milwaukee Police Department officers when participating in investigations into either firearms trafficking and/or violent criminals. The 100% donor funded grant covers the period October 1, 2008 to September 30, 2009.

FISCAL IMPACT

This grant requires no City financial participation and has no impact on the tax levy.

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