

**LRB-FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS**

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**ITEM 3, FILE # 030399**

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File # 030399 is a resolution relative to application, acceptance and funding of a Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant.

**Background**

1. In 1999, the U.S. Department of Justice initiated a new program whereby eligible communities are reimbursed for up to 50% of actual expenditures for the purchase of police bulletproof vests.
2. The adoption of File 990461 by the Common Council in July of 1999 authorized the Milwaukee Police Department to apply for funding under the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program administered by the U.S. Department of Justice.

**Discussion**

1. This is a continuing grant to encompass the period from January 1, 2001 through December 30, 2003.
2. This grant provides up to 50% reimbursement funding toward the purchase of bulletproof vests, based upon the federal government formulary.
3. The cost of a bulletproof vest is approximately \$480. It is estimated that 315 vests will be purchased relative to this reimbursement funding.
4. The final number of vests to be purchased is contingent upon the eventual amount of the grant award.

**Fiscal Impact**

1. The total (anticipated) funding of this grant is \$151,200 of which \$75,600 (50%) is provided by grantor and \$75,600 (50%) is provided by the city.
2. The additional funding for the purchase of bulletproof vests is provided in the police department's operating expenditures budget.

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