

CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA  
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA



Agenda Date:	October 16, 2023
Action Required:	Appropriation of Funding
Presenter:	Holly Bittle, Budget and Management Analyst
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Title:	<b>Resolution to appropriate funds from the Bureau of Justice Assistance FY 2022 Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership - \$16,942 (2nd reading)</b>

**Background**

Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) FY 2022 Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) award reimburses law enforcement agencies for 50% of National Institute of Justice (NIJ) compliant armored vests which were ordered after April 1, 2022. Provided that reimbursement requests are made before August 31, 2024, or until all available funds have been requested.

**Discussion**

Each Charlottesville sworn police officer is issued a bulletproof vest that includes ballistic panels that need to be replaced periodically.

This BJA BVP award is a federal reimbursement program allows the Police Department to reduce its equipment costs for ballistic panels by 50% for each bulletproof vest.

Notification of award approval was received on September 21, 2022, for reimbursement up to \$16,942.

**Alignment with City Council's Vision and Strategic Plan**

This project supports Goal 2 of the Strategic Plan, to be a Healthy and Safe City.

**Community Engagement**

**Budgetary Impact**

No local match is required. Fifty percent of the cost of each eligible ballistic panel is reimbursed once it has been received by the department.

**Recommendation**

Staff recommends approval and appropriation of grant funds.

**Alternatives**

If these grants funds are not appropriated, the Police Department not receive up to \$16,942 in reimbursements for the ballistic panels used by its sworn staff members.

**Attachments**

1. Resolution - FY 22 BJA BVP.9.27.23