# RESOLUTION

# ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Sheriff	Robert	D. Spoden
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INITIATED BY

Public Safety and Justice Committee

SUBMITTED BY

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Capt. Gary L. Groelle

DRAFTED BY

November 9, 2015

DATE DRAFTED

# <u>AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF</u> 2015-16 OWI TASK FORCE AND ALCOHOL GRANTS

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Bureau of Transportation Safety, makes Federal Highway Safety funds available to local law enforcement agencies for various traffic safety programs; and,

WHEREAS, these funds are earmarked to allow law enforcement agencies to provide additional enforcement patrols directed at improving traffic safety by impaired driving enforcement, thus reducing hazardous motorist behavior on roadways with a high incidence of injury or fatal accidents; and,

WHEREAS, the Rock County Sheriff's Office and other Rock County Law Enforcement Agencies are eligible to receive a grant of \$110,000 to participate in these programs; and,

WHEREAS, grant funds in the amount of \$110,000 will be used for overtime wages and related benefits; and,

WHEREAS, this grant requires a local match of 25%.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 1944 day of November 2015, that the Rock County Sheriff is authorized to accept funds under the Highway Safety Project Grants.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the 2015 budget be amended as follows:

Account/ <u>Description</u> 21-2119-2016-42100 Federal Aid	Budget 11/09/15 \$0	Increase (Decrease) \$75,000	Amended <u>Budget</u> \$75,000
21-2120-2016-42100 Federal Aid	\$0	\$35,000	\$35,000
Use of Funds 21-2119-2016-61210 Overtime Wages-Productive	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,000
21-2119-2016-69501 Aid to Localities	\$0	\$55,000	\$55,000
21-2120-2016-61210 Overtime Wages-Productive	\$0	\$35,000	\$35,000

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Respectfully submitted,

**Public Safety and Justice Committee** 

Mary Beaver, Chair

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Harry Wiedenfeld

#### **Finance Committee Endorsement**

Reviewed and approved on a vote of \_\_\_\_\_\_

Mary Mawhinney, Chair

## **FISCAL NOTE:**

This resolution authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of \$110,000 in Federal Aid for Highway Safety Projects. Currently budgeted funds will provide the 25% required match.

Sherry Oja Finance Director

### LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to accept grant funds pursuant to sec. 59.52(19), Wis. Stats. As an amendment to the adopted 2015 County Budget, this Resolution requires a 2/3 vote of the entire membership of the County Board pursuant to sec. 65.90(5)(a), Wis. Stats.

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ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.

Josh Smith

County Administrator

# Executive Summary Authorizing Acceptance of 2015-16 OWI Task Force and Alcohol Grants

Alcohol-impaired Driving: In Wisconsin during 2014 alcohol was listed as a contributing factor in 4.1% of all crashes. 33.8% of all vehicle crash fatalities in 2014 were alcohol-related, resulting in 171 deaths. Alcohol-impaired driving is associated with other high-risk behaviors that increase the likelihood of a crash and of significant injury or death occurring; these include speeding, and failure to wear safety belts.

Enforcement Area (Targeting): WisDOT analysis has identified roadway segments patrolled by this agency as 'at-risk'. All alcohol and speed-related crash data from the three previous years for every jurisdiction in Wisconsin were analyzed, including those involving property damage through all ranges of injuries to those that resulted in death. This data was scientifically weighted, following established statistical protocol. Using the weighted data, the Bureau identified those places in Wisconsin with the largest crash frequency due to excess alcohol use or speed. After factoring in each identified, at-risk location's population density, a snapshot of the state's most likely places for similar crashes per capita was established. *Source: BOTS Analysis* 

The OWI Task Force Grant is a "Joint Task Force" which includes the participation of other Law Enforcement agencies in Rock County. Those included at this time are: Beloit Police Department; Beloit Township Police Department; Edgerton Police Department; Evansville Police Department; Janesville Police Department; Milton Police Department and Rock County Sheriff's Office.

The grants are for a total of \$110,000, all of which will be used for overtime expenses.

The Sheriff Office estimates that they will use \$55,000 of the grant funds. The remaining grant funds will be distributed to the other participating municipalities for overtime.

The grant requires a 25% match.

This is the fifth consecutive year that the Rock County Sheriff's Office has participated in these grants.