

April 11, 2006

TO: John Lamerato, Acting City Manager  
FROM: Charles T. Craft, Chief of Police  
SUBJECT: Agenda Item - State of Michigan Homeland Security Grant

Pursuant to a grant application, the City of Troy (through the police department) has been awarded a State of Michigan Homeland Security Grant totaling approximately \$71,600. The nature of this grant requires that the department identify specific items that enhance and/or allow us to maintain our ability to provide emergency response to critical incidents. The grant does not require local legislative approval, and the items specified are purchased directly by Oakland County (designated by the State of Michigan as a sub-grantee) and forwarded to the city.

The funds this grant provides have been designated for the following items:

- AM Radio Emergency Notification System – This is a low power radio transmitter that broadcasts up to a 15 minute loop of information to a restricted geographic area. The City of Sterling Heights currently operates such a station, and other cities are in the process of acquiring the system. The broadcast range will cover the City of Troy, and the system will be utilized to disseminate emergency information and instructions. When not used for emergencies, civic programming will be broadcast. Operational plans will be developed in the near future.
- Tactical and personal protection equipment for police officers and other first responders.
- Security system upgrades for City Hall and emergency sheltering areas.
- Information Technology Security Upgrade – software to enhance the security of our wired and wireless access points.

If needed I would be happy to provide additional information on the grant and/or the items being purchased.