



Agenda Action Form Overview

The Board is requested to approve a one-year extension of the Governor’s Highway Safety Program (GHSP) Grant for the Sheriff’s Office and have the Chairwoman sign the Resolution. In FY22, the Governor’s Highway Safety Program awarded the Durham County Sheriff’s Office a four-year step-down reimbursement grant that requires a local match at varying percentages each year to fund three sworn deputy positions to work traffic enforcement. This renewal, and all subsequent renewals, will require a local match of seventy-five percent (75%) and a federal allocation of twenty-five percent (25%). For FY26, the local match will be in the amount of \$215,260 (75%) and a federal allocation in the amount of \$71,754 (25%); for a total amount of \$287,014. The BOCC initially approved these funds on September 13, 2021 (21-0550).

Background/Justification

The GHSP grant is a step-down reimbursement grant that requires a match at varying percentages each year. The total federal reimbursement over the initial four-year grant period was \$659,396, and the total local match over the same four-year period will \$467,764, for a total grant amount of \$1,127,161. GHSP has decided to reduce the four-year grant period down to one-year, but the local match of 75% and federal allocation of 25% will remain in place. The step-down percentages of the original grant are listed below.

	Federal	Local	Total
Year-One	85%	15%	100%
Year-Two	70%	30%	100%
Year-Three	50%	50%	100%
Year-Four	25%	75%	100%
Subsequent Renewals (One year)	25%	75%	100%

Policy Impact

This grant will assist DCSO in addressing and reducing traffic related incidents and help better educate and engage the community in driver safety initiatives. The application resolution requires the signature of Chairwoman Allam to move forward in the process with GHSP.

Procurement Background

These funds will be dedicated to the salaries of (3) sworn deputies and travel/training from October 1, 2025 and ending on September 30, 2026.

Fiscal Impact

This renewal and all subsequent one-year renewals will require a local match of 75% and a federal allocation of 25%. For FY26, the local match will be in the amount of \$215,260 and the federal allocation will be in the amount of \$71,754.

Recommendation

The County Manager recommends that the Board approve the FY 2025-26 Governor’s Highway Safety Program (GHSP) Grant extension and that the Chair sign the Resolution.