

Program #15403B - Body Worn Cameras - Expansion

FY 2025 Adopted

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Program Offer Type: Operating Program Offer Stage: Adopted

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics: New Request, One-Time-Only Request

Executive Summary

This program offer is a request for the Body Worn Camera (BWC) expansion with Portland Police Bureau (PPB) coming online with their BWC program. This program offer adds 3.00 FTE for review of PPB's BWC footage. In order to safeguard the rights of the accused and protect crime victims, law enforcement footage should be reviewed prior to charging. This promotes better charging decisions and increases police accountability and equity in our community.

Program Description

During the FY 2024 budget process, MCDA requested funding for the expansion of the Body Worn Camera (BWC) Unit. But, during that time, there was still some uncertainty around the timing of the Portland Police Bureau BWC program coming online, as well as the potential for the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office to adopt the technology. Due to these uncertainties, the Chair set funding aside in the General Fund contingency for the expansion of the Body Worn Cameras (BWC) Unit, until there was more information surrounding timelines and what the workload would look like. In November of 2023, this General Fund Contingency request was approved by the Board through a budget modification. However, General Fund Contingency is one-time-only, in nature. This is an on-going program and this request is continued funding into FY 2025.

In order to fulfill obligations to the community, when properly resourced, all BWC footage should be viewed prior to charging a community member with a crime. BWC footage allows DDAs to view crime scenes and witness/victim/suspect interviews through an unfiltered lens. Police conduct and interaction with the community can be meaningfully monitored and procedures put in place to increase police accountability, reduce disparity and increase equity. Transparency and system confidence increase by virtue of additional objective evidence available for subsequent review.

This program offer has been funded with one-time-only General Funding.

Performance Measures								
Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY23 Actual	FY24 Budgeted	FY24 Estimate	FY25 Target			
Output	Hours of body camera footage reviewed	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,063			
Output	Hours of body worn camera footage received	N/A	N/A	N/A	6,250			

Performance Measures Descriptions

The performance metrics and targets in the table above represent the additional performance capacity gained through staff expansion. The data above may be combined with PO 15403A to represent the full scope of Body Worn Camera performance. See 15403A for additional performance information.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds
Program Expenses	2024	2024	2025	2025
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$511,683	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$265,000	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$0	\$776,683	\$0
Program Total:	\$0		\$776,683	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	3.00	0.00

Program Revenues					
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2024: 15205A Body Worn Cameras - Gresham