



RAPID CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Karl Jegeris, Chief of Police

October 3, 2014

Rapid City Mayor and Common Council
300 6th Street
Rapid City, SD 57701

Dear Mayor and City Council:

We received notification from the Department of Justice that we did not receive funding for our *2015 COPS Hiring Grant* request. To remind you, we requested 4 additional officers through this grant, with the city being responsible for 25% of the cost, which was included in the 2015 budget.

I am requesting that you consider allowing us to use that budgeted amount to hire 1 additional officer instead of the 4 we anticipated. Your approval of this request will not have an impact on the budget regarding the net cost to the city. If approved, finance will be forwarding a supplement to reduce our budgeted amount to offset our anticipated revenue from this grant.

Sincerely,

Karl Jegeris
Chief of Police

Jegeris Karl

From: Jegeris Karl
Sent: Friday, October 03, 2014 11:40 AM
To: Jegeris Karl
Subject: COPS Hiring Program Grant Application Status



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES
145 N Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20530

COPS

September 29, 2014

Chief of Police Karl Jegeris
Rapid City Police Department
300 Kansas City Street
Rapid City, SD 57701

RE: COPS Hiring Program Grant Application
ORI#: SD05101

Dear Chief of Police Jegeris:

I would like to thank you for your grant application under the COPS Hiring Program (CHP). The COPS Office received an overwhelming response to this year's CHP grant application solicitation. The COPS Office received 1,296 CHP applications requesting over 3,469 officers and \$425 million in funds, while \$123 million was available for the program.

As you may know, the COPS Office CHP award announcement occurred on September 29, 2014. With an abundance of high-quality grant applications and a limited amount of funding available, COPS was faced with many difficult funding decisions. Ultimately, COPS was able to fund only 215 (17%) of the 1,296 CHP requests received during the 2014 solicitation. Unfortunately, your CHP proposal was not selected for the September 29, 2014 announcement.

Please note that funding selections for this announcement were based upon a variety of factors, including (but not limited to) statutory mandates which govern how CHP and other COPS hiring funds are to be allocated, as well as each applicant's community policing strategy and community need. For more information on the CHP announcement, please visit our dedicated CHP applicant web page at <http://cops.usdoj.gov/Default.asp?Item=2367>. On this site, you will find additional information about the CHP program, and a more detailed description of how applications were evaluated.

Although your agency was not among those announced, please note that your CHP funding request remains under a "pending" status within the COPS Office, which means that the proposal is still under consideration. In the months ahead, the COPS Office will determine how to proceed with pending CHP application requests. There is no action required of your agency at this time. The COPS Office will contact you if additional information is needed.

We thank you for your continued interest in CHP grant funding. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter or about your pending grant application, please feel free to contact the COPS Office Response Center at 800.421.6770.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Oliphant". The signature is stylized with a large initial "J" and "O".

John Oliphant
Acting Assistant Director for Grants Administration

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