



## Rapid City Police Department

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The Rapid City Police Department wishes to take advantage of the opportunity provided by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Our application for grant funding made available through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 will assist us in the fight against Child Pornography in our community. The Rapid City Police Department has been a member the South Dakota Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force since 2003. As such, SD ICAC has provided training and equipment to our employees to assist with investigations and prosecution involving Internet Crimes Against Children.

The Rapid City Police Department will address the goals and objectives in gaining additional funding (\$9,000), as required through the Act. Therefore the Department has addressed the following goals and objectives:

- **Maintaining and expanding State and regional ICAC task forces in order to prevent, interdict, investigate, and prosecute technology-facilitated child exploitation and Internet Crimes Against Children.**

The Rapid City Police will continue to provide training and presentations to the community and law enforcement agencies in the area. Our agency has provided investigative and forensic support to nearby agencies in collecting evidence and assisting with all investigations in regards to online enticement, child exploitation, and child pornography cases.

- **Improving task force effectiveness in order to prevent, interdict, investigate, and prosecute technology-facilitated child exploitation and Internet Crimes Against Children.**

The Rapid City Police Department will maintain its ICAC affiliation. We continue to further the education and training of our Department's forensic and investigative elements.

- **Budgeting these award funds to pay full or part-time salaries, as appropriate, for law enforcement officers, prosecutors, forensic analysts, administrative support, and other related professionals.**

The Rapid City Police Department will make a determination as to budgeting the award to pay salaries related to Internet Crimes Against Children. The funding may be appropriated toward overtime needed in working Internet Crimes Against Children Cases.

- **Engaging in proactive investigations, forensic examinations, and effective prosecutions of Internet Crimes Against Children.**

The Rapid City Police Department has taken part in several multijurisdictional investigations, whether the investigations were proactive or reactive. The Department has invested time and effort in investigating all crimes involving ICAC. The Department has invested in training a forensic analyst to recover digital

evidence whenever necessary to include ICAC investigations. The Department will continue its role in gaining effective prosecution of these crimes.

- **Providing forensic, preventative, and investigative assistance to parents, educators, prosecutors, law enforcement, and other concerned with Internet Crimes Against Children.**

The Rapid City Police Department has provided forensic and investigative resources and assistance to parties involved with investigation and prosecution of ICAC related crimes. In the past, the Department held workshops and presentations for schools and community groups within Pennington County. The Department will continue these educational efforts.

- **Developing procedures for handling seized evidence.**

The Rapid City Police Department has established policy on the Collection and Preservation of Evidence (RCPD Policy # 621-10). The policy was developed with US Department of Justice Computer Crime and Intellectual Property Guidelines and is reviewed annually for updates. The Department will continue to follow the policy and guidelines.

- **Maintain reports and records as required by the Attorney General, as required by the Recovery Act.**

As a long time member of the South Dakota ICAC Task Force, it has been the Rapid City Police Department's ongoing practice to report all ICAC related investigations, training, projects, and community education to the South Dakota ICAC Commander (DCI). The Department will continue to report as required in the Recovery Act.

In meeting the requirements for the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, the Rapid City Police Department has provided an explanation of future expenditures. It may be necessary to request further funding for equipment needs in the future. The Rapid City Police Department Computer Crime Unit will use some monies allocated through the Recovery Act to purchase equipment and training. In the near future, the Computer Crime Unit Forensic Analyst will be transitioned and as part of the process the successor will be appointed and trained to cont the valuable component of the Computer Crime Unit.

The Rapid City Police Department thanks you for considering our involvement with the grant. We look forward to hearing from you in the near future with any other stipulations required by this grant.

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