



## ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

**County Board Agenda Item  
Meeting of July 19, 2008**

**DATE:** June 24, 2008

**SUBJECT:** Approval of participation in the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) sponsored Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (LETPP) Grant for Computer Evidence Recovery Units.

**C. M. RECOMMENDATION:**

Authorize the County Manager to accept \$29,190 in grant funds from the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) under an FY 2007 Department of Homeland Security grant program.

**ISSUES:** The County Board appropriated these funds as a part of the FY 2009 budget; this board report authorizes the County Manager to accept the federal grant funds from the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services.

**SUMMARY:** The Police Department has been awarded \$29,190 in federal funds under a Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (LETPP) grant to purchase equipment in support of its Computer Evidence Recovery Unit. There is no local match requirement for this grant.

**BACKGROUND:** The Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (LETPP) grant provides federal funds to assist state and local law enforcement agencies in their endeavor to prevent and respond to potential acts of terrorism. As Virginia's Criminal Justice Planning Agency, the Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS), is designated the administering agency for making these funds available to law enforcement through state and local units of government. Funding for the Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program comes from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and through the Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM).

**DISCUSSION:** The Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program provides funding assistance to law enforcement agencies in an effort to enhance their capabilities for detecting, deterring, disrupting, and preventing acts of terrorism. These funds will be used to purchase equipment to enhance the management and support of criminal computer forensics investigations that may involve the seizure, recovery, handling, and archiving of electronic evidence in a way that maintains data integrity and follows the rules of computer evidence recovery. The table below outlines the items that will be purchased with FY07 LETPP grant funds:

County Manager: \_\_\_\_\_

County Attorney: \_\_\_\_\_

Staff: M. Douglas Scott, Chief of Police

Item	Description	Cost Per Unit	Number of Units	Total Cost
16 Tera byte RAID Array Module	Additional Storage for our computer forensic file server	21,600	1	21,600.00
DLT -VS1 Back up tapes	These tapes will be used to back up and archive data from the file server.	54.25	4	217.00
Mac Forensic Software Suite	Software for the Mac Forensic workstation to image and examine Mac computers.	1,010.00	1	1,010.00
Hand held Lab Kit	This Bundle package is hardware, software & training for conducting forensic analysis on hand held devices	6102.00	1	6,102.00
Smart Draw Software	This software creates templates, automates design, and produces information into illustrations for case analysis and evidence presentation.	261.00	1	261.00
			<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$29,190.00</b>

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Under this award the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) will provide \$29,190 in grant funds. The County Board has already appropriated these funds as a part of the FY 2009 budget. There is no local match required.

Subject: Virginia Department of Criminal Justice – Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program  
Program: Computer Evidence Recovery Unit (CERU)