

SUBJECT: Troops to Cops 99 Grant

PREPARED BY: Chief Fannon

DATE: September 23, 1999

FOR AGENDA OF: October 11, 1999

**SUMMARY:**

The Troops to Cops 99 Grant represents a grant requiring no matching funds from the city. Approximately \$10,000 is to be used for training costs and \$7,941 is to be used for allowable equipment to help outfit the officer approved for this grant. Only one officer on our short list qualified for this grant, Officer Chris Watchus.

As the grant title implies these funds can only be applied to people who meet certain requirements, specific as to when they got out of the military.

FISCAL IMPACT: X No \_\_\_ Yes

Fund: 01.52.421.582.10 - \$10,000

Acct: 01.52.421.853.00 - \$ 7,941

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

  
Reviewed by: SARAH PALIN, Mayor

Attachments: Letter of Award

Presented with: Ord. 99-45  
Date: 10/25/99 Verified by: TV.

U.S. Department of Justice

Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS)

Office of the Director  
Washington, D.C. 20530

August 5, 1999

Chief DuWayne Fannon  
Wasilla, City of  
250 North Knik Street  
Wasilla, AK 99654

RE: Troops to COPS 99 (ORI #AK00156)

Dear Chief Fannon:

It is with great pleasure that I write to inform you that your Department will receive a Troops to COPS 99 grant award. This grant will provide reimbursement for expenses associated with the hiring of 1 veteran(s) at an estimated cost of \$17,941.00. The grant period is from August 1, 1999 through July 31, 2000. During this time, reimbursement can be requested for approved training, uniforms and/or basic issue equipment funded under the grant.

Agencies awarded under Troops to COPS 99 were required to meet certain eligibility requirements. Each agency had to receive a COPS Universal Hiring Program award on or after October 1, 1997, **and** hire an eligible veteran under this award. Additionally, the hired veteran had to be honorably discharged from active duty with the armed services (Army, Navy, Air Force or Marines) on or after October 1, 1993. A copy of the official military discharge papers (DD 214) was used to verify the eligibility of each veteran requested for funding.

Within the next 3-4 weeks, you will receive your official award and award package. This package will contain an approved budget and a Grant Owner's Manual. Agencies with a special condition on their award will also receive a separate document explaining the condition. Upon receipt of these materials, please read and familiarize yourself with them. To accept the grant, you must sign the official award document (and special condition, if applicable) and return it to the COPS Office within 90 days. Failure to return the signed award document within the 90 day period could result in a withdrawal of grant funds without further notice from the COPS Office.

The COPS Office is pleased that you are participating in a program which allows military veterans the opportunity to serve in law enforcement. We look forward to working with you throughout your grant period.

Sincerely,



Mary Lou Leary  
Acting Director