

Blount County Budget Committee Memo

TO: Blount County Commissioners/Budget Committee

FROM: Sheriff

RE: COPs Grant Deputies - vehicles and equipment

DATE: 10/28/2024

- 1. Background In July, when we asked to apply for the COPS Hiring grant, we disclosed in the memo that if we were awarded the positions, we would be following up with a request for vehicles and equipment to outfit the new positions.
- 2. History (tell if the item has been brought to the budget committee previously)

 We have been awarded the positions, and so, are requesting the funding for the cars
 and equipment. (deputies in place Jan., but 6 mths to receive a car after order placed)
- 3. Current Operations (how are operations without the requested item/service) ______see attached vehicle inventory there are no vehicles to assign to the new positions.

 With incr. costs, our budget only covers 11 cars/yr; goal is 25/yr but cost is prohibitive.
- 5. Impact if not funded (provide a summary on impact to the mission if the item/service is not approved) Deputies will not have a vehicle in order to fulfill the duties of the grant, which is Community-Oriented Policing.

Budget Impact	
Original Budget	\$ 811,125.00
Amendment Impact	\$ 358,830.35
Proposed Revised Budget	\$ 1,169,955.35

Signature from Department Head/Elected (or designee)