# **Supplemental Budget Request**

Sheriff	Operations				
Supp'l ID # 4501 <b>Fund</b> 377	701 Fund 377 Cost Center 377100 Originator: Dawn Pierce				
Expenditure Type: One-Time	Year 2 2024 Add'l	FTE Add'l Space Priority	1		
Name of Request: Public Sa	fety Radio System Phase 4	8			
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Department Head Signat	ure (Required on Hard Co	py Submission) Date			

sts:	Object	Object Description	Amount Requested
	4331.1671	Cops More Grant	(\$500,000)
	7410	Equipment-Capital Outlay	\$500,000
	Request To	tal	\$0

#### 1a. Description of request:

The Whatcom County Integrated Public Safety Radio System Project Budget was established in 2018 to build, implement, and provide interoperable communications for all public safety partners and agencies in Whatcom County. This multi-year capital project is currently in Phase 3 and Phase 4.

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The U.S. Department of Justice FY2022 Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Technology and Equipment Program provided a \$300,000 grant to purchase equipment needed for Phase 3 (the southern ring) of this project (Whatcom County Contract No. 202211026). All equipment covered under the COPS FY2022 grant was purchased and received in 2023. An additional grant is pending final approval from the Washington State Department of Commerce for installation of the Phase 3 equipment.

#### PHASE 4

The U.S. Department of Justice FY2023 Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Technology and Equipment Program provided a \$500,000 grant to purchase and install equipment for Phase 4 of this project (Whatcom County Contract No. 202312009). This supplemental budget is for the COPS FY2023 grant which will provide a microwave hop from Squalicum Mountain to Lookout Mountain and from Lookout Mountain to Post Point.

#### 1b. Primary customers:

Whatcom County Sheriff's Office, Whatcom County Fire Departments and Districts, Whatcom County Public Works agencies, What-Comm 911 Dispatch, Prospect (fire dispatch), Lummi Nation, Nooksack Tribe, and the City of Bellingham. The radio system will enhance response and safety for all citizens in Whatcom County.

## 2. Problem to be solved:

Budget authority is needed to complete Phase 4 of the Whatcom County Integrated Public Safety Radio System Project.

#### 3a. Options / Advantages:

Grant funds were awarded specifically to purchase and install equipment for Phase 4 of the Public Safety Radio System capital project. They may not be used for any other purpose.

#### 3b. Cost savings:

#### 4a. Outcomes:

It is anticipated that Phase 4 will be complete by September 2024.

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#### 4b. Measures:

The microwave hop from Squalicum Mountain to Lookout Mountain and from Lookout Mountain to Post Point will be complete and will improve police effectiveness and the flow of information among law enforcement agencies, local government service providers, and the communities we serve.

### 5a. Other Departments/Agencies:

## 5b. Name the person in charge of implementation and what they are responsible for:

Robert Greene, Sheriff's Office Public Safety Communications Manager.

### 6. Funding Source:

U.S Department of Justice FY2023 Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Technology and Equipment Program, Award Number 15JCOPS-23-GG-04003-TECP, CFDA No. 16.710.