



## Arizona Automobile Theft Authority Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Friday, May 18, 2018

AATA Office- 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room  
1110 W. Washington Suite 250, Phoenix AZ 85007

### Board Members Attendance:

Matt Reed, Chair –State Farm Insurance Companies

Chief Daniel Sharp, Vice-Chair, Oro Valley Police Department

Sheriff Paul Penzone- Maricopa County Sheriff's Office – Deputy Chief, Fred Aldorasi representing

Sheriff Joseph Dedman, Jr. – Apache County Sheriff's Office

Joe Brosius – **NOT PRESENT**

Director Eric Jorgensen – **NOT PRESENT**

Director Frank Milstead – Arizona Department of Public Safety, Major Jack Johnson Jr. representing

Chief Roy Minter – Peoria Police Department

Bill Montgomery – Maricopa County Attorney's Office, Auto Theft Bureau Chief Kristin Sherman representing –  
Telephonic

Dean Butler – Farmers Insurance

Mary Snider- Public Member

### AATA Legal Council:

Tom Raine, Assistant Attorney General, AZ Attorney General's Office

### Public/Guests:

Yvette Echandi-Mott – La Paz County Attorney's Office

Allen Quist- Pinal County Attorney's Office

Captain Paul Etnire- Arizona Vehicle Theft Task Force, Department of Public Safety

Rob Smith – Public

Matt Smith -Mohave County Attorney's Office - Telephonic

Lt. Epps – La Paz County Sheriff's Office

Gretchen McClellan- Maricopa County Attorney's Office

Rich Spallinger – National Insurance Crime Bureau

Matt McCray – Pima County Attorney's Office

Tom Weaver- Pima County Attorney's Office

Dan South- Pima County Attorney's Office

Soo Chang, Pima County Attorney's Office

Kent Volkmer- Pinal County Attorney's Office

Allen Quist- Pinal County Attorney's Office.

### AATA Staff:

Frederick W. Zumbo, AATA Executive Director

Art Myer, AATA Chief Financial Officer

Ann Armstrong, AATA Grants Administrator

Amanda O'Halloran, AATA Administrative Assistant II

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**I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Room, AATA Office- 1110 W. Washington St, Suite 105 Conference room, Phoenix AZ 85007

It was determined enough board members were present to meet quorum.

**II. AATA BOARD CHAIRMAN'S REPORT - REVIEW, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

- Approval of March 16, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes. The minutes from the public meeting conducted on March 16, 2018 were submitted in written form to all Board members for review and approval.

Mr. Dean Butler made a motion to approve the January 19, 2018 Board meeting minutes as presented.

Ms. Mary Snider seconded the motion.

Motion approved unanimously.

**III. AATA REPORT - REVIEW, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

- FY'19 AATA Budget & HB2002 Update
  - Executive Director Fred Zumbo advised that the FY '19 budget passed with a 5.3 million is what was agreed upon by legislature. HB2002 was vetoed.
  - 2 million dollars of monies going directly to law enforcement due to HB2002 being vetoed.
  - All grantee will get what they got last year
  - The AATA will not be able to do something internally but there will be no equipment or LPR's.
  - First time for AATA to have legislature to actually make it to the Governor's desk.
  - 2.9 million dollars currently sits in the fund balance and will grow to 4.2 million for July 1<sup>st</sup> of 2019.
- Mr. Butler asked was there any explanation for the veto?
- Director Zumbo advised yes. The explanation for veto was to have a further explanation of the administrative cost of the agency.
- Ms. Ann Armstrong- Advised that Governor wanted to make sure additional money went to Law Enforcement.
- Ms. Snider asked what other options the board had?
- Chief Daniel Sharp advised the appropriation next year.
- Ms. Snider asked what happens when we keep accumulating all this money.
- Chief Sharp advised that it becomes a target
- Director Zumbo advised that the only thing that saved the AATA was the outreach from insurance industry that put pressure on the Governor's office to reconsider having the AATA be assumed by DPS.
- Major Jack Johnson Jr – advised that his interpretation that this bill HB2002 got held up in rules in March for budget ramifications. He stated this bill needed to be a part of the budget negotiations and that didn't happen. Governor vetoes this bill because this was not part of the budget process. For this bill to pass in the future it needs to be a part of the budget process and the negotiations process.
- Ms. Snider asked how does the board ensure this for the future?
- Chief Sharp advised we find a champion at the legislature.
- Ms. Snider expressed frustration at the reason for the veto was administrative costs of the AATA as the AATA does an exceptional job of controlling those cost.
- Mr. Butler advised however those that need to hear it, are not.

**IV. AATA FINANCIAL UPDATE, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

Mr. Myer presented the AATA financial report.

**AATA Financial Summary as of April 30, 2018**

**Schedule 1 - Fund Balance Report**

1. Total YTD recorded income, **Line 2: \$6,363,693.**
2. Total expended (excludes Reimbursable Programs), **Line 3: \$5,016,386.**
3. Legislative Transfers, **Line 4: \$0.**
4. Total expended Reimbursable Programs, **Line 5: \$0.**
5. Adjustments, **Line 6: \$0.**
6. Encumbrances, **Line 11: \$32,499**
7. Ending Fund Balance, per AFIS, **Line 13: \$3,080,445.**

**Schedule 2 - YTD Revenue**

1. Insurance revenue received for the first and second assessment periods of the current fiscal year (FY18), **Line 1: \$6,327,665.**
2. Reimbursable Programs, **Line 5: \$0.**
3. Investment income YTD, **Line 8: \$34,123.**
4. Refunds of Unused Grant Funds (Prior Year), **Line 9: \$1,905.**
5. Total Income, **Line 11: \$6,363,693.**
6. Cash Invested with State Treasurer, **Line 12: \$3,072,901.**

**Schedule 2.1 - YTD Revenue Analysis**

1. **Insurance assessment revenue received to date for the first assessment period of FY'18, Line 11: \$3,179,196. Projected assessment revenue for the period, \$3,206,280; amount collected approximately \$27,084 (0.84%) less than the projection, and \$41,263 (1.30%) above prior period. Collected amounts: By check-\$1,798,272, by ACH-\$1,380,924.**
2. **Insurance assessment revenue received to date for the second assessment period of FY'18, Line 21: \$3,148,470. Projected assessment revenue for the period, \$3,206,281; amount collected approximately \$57,811 (1.80%) below projection and \$30,726 (.97%) below prior period. Collected amounts: By check-\$1,721,863, by ACH-\$1,426,607.**
4. ***YTD assessment revenue, % realized, Line 23: 98.68% of the projected revenue for the year. Projected revenue for FY 18: \$6,412,561.***
5. Compliance: First and second collection periods for FY18 are complete.
6. No companies outstanding.
7. There are no extensions outstanding.
8. Current Collection Totals for FY'18: \$6,327,665. Projected revenue for FY'18 \$6,412,561. Amount collected by check: \$3,520,135 amount collected by ACH: \$2,807,531.

**Schedule 3 – Appropriations (represents a summary of budget and expenditures by category/grant program)**

1. Lump sum appropriation (original) \$637,800. Adjustments: Increase \$5,900 (Health Insurance Adjustment) **net increase of \$5,900. Total operating Lump Sum appropriation (including adjustments), Line 11: \$643,700.**
2. Reimbursable Programs, **Line 19: \$50,000.** Appropriation by the Legislature giving the AATA the authority to raise and with the approval of the JLBC, expend the additional \$50,000.
3. No Legislative (budget) fund sweeps are currently planned for FY18.

4. Total Special Line Items, **Line 21: \$4,657,700.** (Reimbursable Programs: \$50,000 plus Grants: **\$4,607,700**=\$4,657,700)
5. Total current year appropriations (FY18), **Line 22: \$5,301,400.**

**Schedule 4 - Activity Summary (represents a summary of expenditures/encumbrances by program area)**

1. Total Administrative Expenditures, **Line 1: \$284,132.**
2. Total Law Enforcement (Grant) Expenditures, **Line 2: \$3,650,000.**
3. Total Vertical Prosecution (Grant) Expenditures, **Line 3: \$905,164.**
4. Total Programs/Public Awareness Expenditures, **Line 4: \$177,090.**
5. Total Investigator/Special Projects Expenditures, **Line 5: \$0.**
6. Total Reimbursable Program Expenditures, **Line 6: \$0.**
7. Total Legislative Transfer, **Line 7: \$0.**
8. Total Legislative Transfer, **Line 8: \$0.**
9. Total Encumbrances, (Encumbered Column) **Line 10: \$32,499.**
10. Total of all Expenditures, (Expended Column) **Line 10: \$5,016,386.**
11. The statutory spending cap is 10% of revenue for administrative expenses. The administrative expenses percentage is projected to be 5.95% and is currently, **Line 11: 4.46%.**
12. **Line 12:** is the ratio of administrative expenses to total expenses. Projected to be 7.22% and currently **5.66%** of total agency expenditures.

- Major Johnson asked what the determining factor of administrative cost.
- Mr. Myer advised comes out of our lump sum and it cross referenced against an administrative index and a public awareness index. It is determined by how it is coded.
- Major Johnson is there something that identifies what the administrative costs are to run a grant verse a program?
- Mr. Myer advised that is left up to the AATA to determine what is a grant cost and what is a program/agency cost.

**Schedules 5-9 - Provide detail of AATA expenditures by program area.**

- Major Johnson – asked about schedule 5 an allocation for \$17,000 for equipment on line 7 but an encumbrance for \$32,000.
- Mr. Myer advised was for the furniture for this room.
- Major Johnson – asked to if 200% of the budget there and was asked if that monies were coming out of other expenses.
- Mr. Myer advise no that would come out of administrative cost. He advised that when the budget was made 17,000 was the normal amount for furniture and other office expenses but with the move it has increased.

**Schedule 10 – Non-Appropriated Funds (Sims Metal Management)**

1. Beginning Balance, **Line 1: \$29,664.**
2. Travel: In-State, **Line 9: \$315**
3. Aid to Organizations, **Line 11: \$9,394.**
4. Other Operating Expenses, **Line 12: \$1,100.**
5. Transfers-Out, **Line 14: \$1,572.**

6. Total Expenditures, **Line 15: \$12,381.**
7. Encumbrances, **Line 16: \$0.**
8. Ending Balance, **Line 17: \$17,283.**

- Chief Sharp asked if any of this money is encumbered.
- Mr. Myer advised no at this time.
- Ms. Armstrong advised that the AATA is working on planning another symposium in the fall or winter months. She advised of new scrap legislation that has passed but won't go into effect until 2020 but established the need for training.
- Chief Sharp asked if the Task force could host and help zero this out.

- **AATA Law Enforcement Subcommittee FY'18 & FY'19 Grant Recommendations -**

**Schedule 11 – Projected (Revised) FY '18 Spending Plan (Q1-Q4).**

**Quarter 1: July (Actual)**

1. Beginning FY18 Fund Balance, **Line 1: \$1,765,637**
2. Investment Income, **Line 2: \$0**
3. Insurance Collections, **Line 3: \$1,922,794**
4. Transfer to Special Project, **Line 7: \$0**
5. Total Lump Sum expenditures, **Line 13: \$36,847**
6. Total Grant expenditures, **Line 24: \$912,500**
7. **Ending fund balance, Line 26: \$3,267,275**

**August (Actual)**

1. Beginning Fund Balance, **Line 1: \$3,267,275**
2. Investment Income, **Line 2: \$1,901**
3. Insurance Collections, **Line 3: \$1,133,152**
4. Total Lump Sum expenditures, **Line 13: \$53,640**
5. Total Grant expenditures, **Line 24: \$226,291**
6. **Ending fund balance, Line 26: \$3,596,110**

**September (Actual)**

1. Beginning Fund Balance, Line 1: **\$3,596,110**
2. Investment Income, Line 2: **\$4,159**
3. Insurance Collections, Line 3: **\$123,250**
4. Total Lump Sum expenditures, Line 13: **\$38,778**
5. Total Grant expenditures, Line 24: **\$0**
6. Ending fund balance, Line 26: **\$3,684,742**

**Quarter 2: October (Actual)**

1. Beginning Fund Balance, Line 1: **\$3,684,742**
2. Investment Income, Line 2: **\$4,234**
3. Insurance Collections, Line 3: **\$0**
4. Total Lump Sum expenditures, Line 13: **\$75,202**
5. Total Grant expenditures, Line 24: **\$1,141,169**
6. Ending fund balance, Line 26: **\$2,472,606**

**November (Actual)**

1. Beginning Fund Balance, Line 1: **\$2,472,606**
2. Investment Income, Line 2: **\$3,305**
3. Insurance Collections, Line 3: **\$0**
4. Total Lump Sum expenditures, Line 13: **\$49,023**
5. Total Grant expenditures, Line 24: **\$0**
6. Ending fund balance, Line 26: **\$2,425,796**

**December (Actual)**

1. Beginning Fund Balance, Line 1: **\$2,425,796**
2. Investment Income, Line 2: **\$2,819**
3. Insurance Collections, Line 3: **\$0**
4. Total Lump Sum expenditures, Line 13: **\$42,642**
5. Total Grant expenditures, Line 24: **\$0**

**6. Ending fund balance, Line 26: \$2,385,972**

**Quarter 3: January (Actual)**

1. Beginning Fund Balance, Line 1: \$2,385,972

2. Investment Income, Line 2: \$3,075

3. Insurance Collections, Line 3: \$2,228,886

4. Total Lump Sum expenditures, Line 13: \$59,251

5. Total Grant expenditures, Line 24: \$1,138,791

**6. Ending fund balance, Line 26: \$3,419,891**

**February (Actual)**

1. Beginning Fund Balance, Line 1: \$3,419,891

2. Investment Income, Line 2: \$3,043

3. Insurance Collections, Line 3: \$918,467

4. Total Lump Sum expenditures, Line 13: \$34,979

5. Total Grant expenditures, Line 24: \$0

**6. Ending fund balance, Line 26: \$4,307,514**

**March (Actual)**

1. Beginning Fund Balance, Line 1: \$4,307,514

2. Investment Income, Line 2: \$5,354

3. Insurance Collections, Line 3: \$1,118

4. Total Lump Sum expenditures, Line 13: \$32,280

5. Total Grant expenditures, Line 24: \$0

**6. Ending fund balance, Line 26: \$4,249,207**

**Quarter 4: April (Actual)**

1. Beginning Fund Balance, Line 1: \$4,249,207

2. Investment Income, Line 2: \$6,233

3. Insurance Collections, Line 3: \$0

4. Total Lump Sum expenditures, Line 13: \$35,014

5. Total Grant expenditures, Line 24: \$1,139,980

6. Ending fund balance, Line 26: \$3,080,446

**May (Projected)**

1. Beginning Fund Balance, Line 1: \$3,080,446

2. Investment Income, Line 2: \$0

3. Insurance Collections, Line 3: \$0

4. Total Lump Sum expenditures, Line 13: \$53,267

5. Total Grant expenditures, Line 24: \$0

6. Ending fund balance, Line 26: \$3,027,179

**June (Projected)**

1. Beginning Fund Balance, Line 1: \$3,027,179

2. Investment Income, Line 2: \$0

3. Insurance Collections, Line 3: \$0

4. Total Lump Sum expenditures, Line 13: \$54,392

5. Total Grant expenditures, Line 24: \$48,968

6. Ending fund balance, Line 26: \$2,923,819

**FY18 Budget Highlights:**

1. Lump Sum: \$637,800 (Original)

2. Lump Sum: 637,800 (BOB Adjustment): \$5,900 increase (Health Insurance Adjustment).

Net change: \$5,900

3. Lump Sum (Adjusted): \$643,700

Special Line Items: \$4,607,700

4. Arizona Vehicle Theft Task Force: \$3,650,000

5. Local Grants: \$957,700

6. Reimbursable Programs: \$50,000

Total Special Line Items: \$4,657,700 (Grant Programs: \$4,607,700)

**Grant Program Breakdown:**

Task Force: \$3,650,000

Vertical Prosecution: \$930,942

Public Awareness: \$23,758



**Law Enforcement Grants: \$1,000**

**Professional Training: \$1,000**

**Emergency/Discretionary: \$1,000**

**FY 18 Grant Funds Remaining: \$50,158**

**FY 18 Grant Total Requested: \$39,031**

**Grant Program: Public Awareness (FY'18)**

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**Grant Agency: Quartzsite Police Department**

**Grant #696**

Grant request: Purchase one (1) Instaetch Vin Etching System

**FY'18 Funding Request: \$1,188.87**

**Staff Recommendation: Fully fund grant request: \$1,188.87**

**Board Action: Ratify**

- Chief Sharp motioned to ratify grant #696 and to approve #799 & #786 grants
- Chief Minter second request.  
Vote passed.

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**Grant Program: Law Enforcement (FY'18)**

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**Grant Agency: Chandler Police Department**

**Grant #799**

Grant request: Purchase three (3) CovertTrack GPS Trackers, Airtime one (1) year and accessory kit.

**FY'18 Funding Request: \$5,320.86**

**Staff and Sub-committee recommendation: Fully fund grant: Three CovertTrack GPS Trackers, airtime & accessory kit: \$5,320.86**

- Chief Sharp motioned to ratify grant #696 and to approve #799 & #786 grants
  - Chief Minter second request.  
Vote passed.
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**Grant Agency: La Paz County Sheriff's Office**

**Grant #786**

Grant request: Purchase (1) Elsas 3 Camera LPR System

**FY'18 Funding Request: \$32,521.00**

**Staff and Sub-committee recommendation: Fund one (1) Elsas three camera LPR: \$32,521.00**

- Chief Sharp motioned to ratify grant #696 and to approve #799 & #786 grants
- Chief Minter second request.  
Vote passed.

**FY19 (July 1,2018-June 30, 2019)**

- Mr. Myer advised that spending plan would mirror that of FY'18 and would like to present it as is with future adjustment coming in for ERE and such for the July meeting.
- Ms. Snider motioned to vote on spending plan.
- Chief Sharp 2<sup>nd</sup> vote.

Vote passed.

**FY'19 Appropriation:**

**Operating Lump Sum: \$637,800**

**Arizona Vehicle Theft Task Force: \$3,650,000**

**Local Grants: \$957,700**

**Reimbursable Programs: \$50,000**

**Total Appropriation: \$5,295,500**

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**FY'19 Grant Requests**

**Grant Program: Task Force**

**Grant Agency: Task Force**

**Grant #661**

<u>Expense Category</u>	<u>FY 18 Approved</u>	<u>FY19 Request</u>
Personal Services	\$1,290,000	\$1,568,000
ERE	\$1,270,000	\$1,894,000
Travel: In-State	\$15,000	\$15,000

Travel: Out-of-State	\$15,000	\$15,000
Aid to Organizations	\$710,000	\$1,176,778
Other Operating	\$325,000	\$425,000
Equipment	<u>\$25,000</u>	<u>\$250,000</u>
Total	\$3,650,000	\$5,343,778

FY18 Board approved funding: \$3,650,000

**FY19 Request: \$5,343,778**

**Original Staff and Sub-Committee Recommendation (5/1/18): \$4,350,000 (Pending JLBC Approval)**

**Current (FY19) Staff Recommendation: \$3,650,000**

- Major Johnson recused from vote
- Chief Sharp motioned to approve
- Ms. Snider 2<sup>nd</sup> Vote

Vote passed

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**Vertical Prosecution FY'18 Breakdown:**

**Total Grant Amount Approved by the Board: \$930,942.25**

**Carry Forward: \$25,778.27**

**Total AATA Funded to meet Board Approved Amount: \$905,163.98 (\$930,942.25 - \$25,778.27 = \$905,163.98)**

**Attorneys & Support Staff (Salary and ERE approved): \$930,942.25**

**Other/Equipment: \$1,660 (Not approved)**

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**FY19 Vertical Prosecution Breakdown**

**Requested: \$1,252,774**

**Staff Recommendation: \$930,942**

**Carry Forward (projected): \$**

**Attorneys (Salary and ERE requested): \$924,140**

**Support Staff (Salary and ERE requested): \$266,835**

**Other/Equipment/Investigator: \$62,314**

**FY19 Requested: \$1,252,774; FY19 Staff Recommendation: \$930,942 (Grant funding reduction of \$321,832 to reach FY18 levels.**

**Grant Program: Vertical Prosecution**

**Grant Agency: Pinal County Attorney's Office**

**Grant #757**

**FY18 Board Approved**

Funding (Salary and ERE) for 1 Attorney and \$44,647 towards support staff (Legal Secretary/Para-legal)

Attorney (Salary and ERE): \$124,413

Support Staff: \$44,647

Carry Forward: \$8,156

**Total Board Approved Funding: \$169,060**

ATA funding to reach board approved amount: \$169,060

**Total: \$169,060**

**FY19 Grant Request**

Funding (salary and ERE) for 2 Attorney's and 1 Para-legal.

Attorney's (Salary and ERE): \$232,573

Para-legal (Salary and ERE): \$59,589

Carry Forward (projected): \$0

**Total Grant Request: \$292,162**

**Original Staff and Sub-Committee Recommendation (5/1/18): Fully fund the grant: 2 Attorney's, 1 Para-Legal: \$292,162. (Pending JLBC approval)**

**Current (FY19) Staff Recommendation: \$169,060**

- Chief Sharp motioned to approve
- Ms. Snider 2<sup>nd</sup> Vote

Vote passed

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**Grant Agency: Maricopa County Attorney's Office**

**Grant #771**

**FY18 Board Approved**

Funding (salary and ERE) for 2 Attorney's and \$44,647 towards support staff (Legal Secretary/Para-legal)

Attorney's (Salary and ERE): \$191,104

Support Staff: \$44,647

Carry Forward: \$1,819

**Total Board Approved Funding: \$235,751**

ATA funding to reach board approved amount: \$233,932

**FY19 Grant Request**

Funding (salary and ERE) for 2 Attorney's, and 1 Para-Legal

Attorney's (Salary and ERE): \$201,690

Para-Legal (Salary and ERE): \$78,580

**Carry Forward (projected): \$0**

**Total Grant Request: \$280,270**

**Original Staff and Sub-Committee Recommendation (5/1/18): Fully fund the grant: 2 Attorney's, 1 Para-Legal: \$280,270 (Pending JLBC Approval)**

**Current (FY19) Staff recommendation: \$235,751**

- Kristen Sherman recused from vote
- Chief Sharp motioned to approve
- Ms. Snider 2<sup>nd</sup> Vote

Vote passed

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**Grant Agency: Pima County Attorney's Office**

**Grant #761**

**FY18 Board Approved**

Funding (salary and ERE) for 2 Attorney's and \$44,647 towards support staff (Legal Secretary/Para-legal)

Attorney's (Salary and ERE): \$171,409

Support Staff: \$44,647

Carry Forward: \$0

**Board Approved: \$216,056**

ATA funding to reach board approved amount: \$216,056

**FY19 Grant Request**

Funding (salary and ERE) for 2 Attorney's, 1 full and the other would come from 4 attorneys (1/4 each) from their Auto Theft Unit and 1 Para-legal

Attorney (Salary and ERE): \$181,662

Para-legal (Salary and ERE): \$66,032

Carry Forward (projected): \$0

**Total Grant Request: \$247,694.01**

**Original Staff and Sub-Committee Recommendation (5/1/18): Fully fund the grant: 2 Attorney's (Auto Theft Unit), 1**

**Para-legal: \$247,694.01 (Pending JLBC Approval)**

**Current (FY19) Staff Recommendation: \$216,056**

- Chief Sharp motioned to approve
- Ms. Snider 2<sup>nd</sup> Vote

Vote passed

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**Grant Agency: La Paz County Attorney's Office**

**Grant #746**

**FY18 Board Approved**

Funding (salary and ERE) for 1 Attorney and 1 Legal Assistant.

Attorney (Salary and ERE): \$88,025

Legal Assistant (Salary and ERE): \$31,689

Carry Forward: \$0

**Board Approved: \$119,714**

ATA funding to reach board approved amount: \$119,714

- Major Johnson wanted to know why such the increase for La Paz Counties grant. Asked if there was an issue with the UCR Data as the number do not reflect the need.
- Ms. Yvette Echandi-Mott with the La Paz County Attorney's office advised that their research show 385 vehicles stolen in La Paz County.
- Major Johnson concluding it is a UCR data report.
- Lt. Epps with La Paz County Sheriff's advised there were some issues with the UCR reporting on their end. Advised corrective action is being taken to amend this.
  
- Chief Sharp motioned to approve
- Ms. Snider 2<sup>nd</sup> Vote

Vote passed

**FY19 Grant Request**

Funding (salary and ERE) for 1 Attorney, 1 Legal Assistant and 1 Investigator.

Attorney (Salary and ERE): \$100,856

Legal Assistant (Salary and ERE): \$47,634

Investigator (Salary and ERE): \$59,029

Carry Forward (projected): \$0

Other Operating Expenses: \$30 (Dues)

Equipment: \$2,740 (Computer & Printers)

**Total Grant Request: \$210,289**

**Original Staff and Sub-Committee Recommendation (5/1/18): Fully fund the grant: 1 Attorney, 1 Legal Assistant and 1 Investigator: \$210,289 (Pending JLBC Approval)**

**Current (FY19) Staff Recommendation: \$119,714**

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**Grant Agency: Mohave County Attorney's Office**

**Grant #766**

**FY18 Board Approved**

Funding (salary and ERE) for 1 Attorney and 1 Legal Secretary (Partial)

Attorney (Salary and ERE): \$94,527

Legal Secretary (Salary and ERE): \$15,000

**Carry Forward: \$15,803.92**

Board Approved: \$109,566

ATA funding to reach board approved amount: \$93,762.08

**FY19 Grant Request**

Funding (salary and ERE) for 1 Attorney and 1 Legal Secretary (Partial)

Attorney (Salary and ERE): \$100,894

Legal Secretary (Salary and ERE): \$15,000

Carry Forward (projected): \$0

**Total Grant Request: \$115,894**

**Original Staff and Sub-Committee Recommendation (5/1/18): Fully fund the grant: 1 Attorney and 1 Legal Secretary (Partial): \$115,894 (Pending JLBC Approval)**

**Current (FY19) Staff Recommendation: \$109,566**

- Chief Sharp motioned to approve
- Ms. Snider 2<sup>nd</sup> Vote

Vote passed

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**Grant Agency: Santa Cruz County Attorney's Office**

**Grant #784**

**FY18 Board Approved Funding (salary and ERE) for 1 Attorney at .75 (75%)**

Attorney (Salary and ERE): \$80,795

Carry Forward: \$0

Board Approved: \$80,795

**FY19 Grant Request**

Funding (salary and ERE) for 1 Attorney



Attorney (Salary and ERE): \$106,465

**Carry Forward (projected): \$**

**Total Grant Request: \$106,465**

**Original Staff and Sub-Committee Recommendation (5/1/18): Fully fund the grant: 1 Attorney: \$106,465 (Pending JLBC Approval)**

**Current (FY19) Staff Recommendation: \$80,795**

- Chief Sharp motioned to approve
- Ms. Snider 2<sup>nd</sup> Vote

Vote passed

- Chief Minter offered comments of commendation to Mr. Myer for his continued work on the numbers for the AATA.

**V. AATA PUBLIC AWARENESS & GRANT PROGRAMS REPORT**

- **GENERAL UPDATE, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

- Ms. Armstrong gave brief report about the AATA capitol VIN Etching even in March. Very successfully. She advised that Ms. O'Halloran has been traveling state wide with Insta Etch Systems, as well running VIN Etching events.
- Ms. Armstrong advised that AATA, the Task force and ADOT ECD would be doing a joint presentation to the Arizona Chapter of National Corvette Restoration Society's conference in Fountain Hills about smart practices for purchasing older vehicles and used vehicles.
- Ms. Armstrong advised that we are still working on the #9PMRoutine social campaign and noted that it was tied to the Operation Night Watch. The intention is to keep this campaign going.
- Ms. O'Halloran advised that the #9PMRoutine is a national campaign and that Arizona's only representation is Chino Valley PD as well as noting that constituents are asking for more Arizona Law Enforcement participation.
- Ms. Armstrong advised that AATA is co-hosting the ACPA Summer Crime Prevention Conference this June in Sedona offering 14 hrs of AZ Post Credit.
- Ms. Armstrong advised that the 2<sup>nd</sup> Cargo Theft Training will be happening in July in Sierra Vista PD offering 8 hrs of AZ Post Credit.

**VI. LAW ENFORCEMENT SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

- Chief Sharp advised no report.
- Chairman Reed advised that the sub-committee meeting was well ran.

**VII. PUBLIC AWARENESS SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

- No Report.

VIII. **LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

- Chairman Reed- advised that Director Zumbo covered everything well. Advised that with the reports given today it was evident where the monies would have gone and it is unfortunate that this won't happen. He advised we will continue to march forward and will strive to do better next years.
- Ms. Snider offered thanks.

IX. **VERTICAL PROSECUTION SUBCOMMITTEE & AUTO THEFT PROSECUTORS REPORT, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

Ms. Sherman advised in preparation for the grant review for Maricopa County Attorney's Office.

- She advised that the 2 task force prosecutors they had over 350 years in prison and over 129 years in probation, and restitution is \$362,595.40 and review over 540 submittals in cases.
- One of the task force attorney's provided training for Auto Theft prosecutors with 2 Task force detectives.
- The task force paralegal was assigned 284 new cases this year.
- Advised that many of the cases are violent, and multiple crime cases including the case with the Phoenix K9 officer was killed. This case did start as a Task Force Case.

Mr. Quist recapped current cases for Pinal County Attorney's Office auto theft cases.

- Advised he is accompanied with Kent Volkmer who is the Pinal County Attorney.
- Teddy Akin – A task force case who specialized in Dodge Ram trucks who was sentence for 13 years for several stolen vehicles.
- Advised he has some chopped shop cases. Advised that one case will be going to trail where the defendant failed to appear and will be picked up soon. Advised they are complex and require a lot of work.

Matt Smith – Mohave County Attorney's Office

- Advised they charged 196 cases where the primary crime was auto theft or theft means of transportation. That is 70 more than any other year for the last 5 years.
- 96 convictions and 82.5% conviction to close ratio
- This grant has been very effective for Mohave County
- Mr. Smith advised the most ingesting case for him involved his neighbor whose Ex-employee broke in and stole his wife's Mercedes's. Ms. Gardner was able to get a 17yrs conviction out of the case.
- Mr. Smith advised that Mohave is very grateful to the AATA and board for the grant.

X. **ARIZONA VEHICLE THEFT TASK FORCE REPORT, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

- Captain Etnire advise he just took over for Captain Cecil took another assignment. He is excited about this Task Force. They are at 28.5 personal with 10 agencies represented.
- Current Trends to showcase the work of the task for
  - In 2013 the task force has over 1003 recovered vehicles at approximately \$ 8.7 million value
  - In 2017 the task force has 1500 recovered vehicles at approximately \$17 million value
  - For 2018 As of April 30<sup>th</sup> the task force currently stands at 537 vehicles recovered

- As of today, the Task force is currently stands at 628 vehicles recovered and only 128 days into the calendar.
  - Captain Etnire advised that the Task Force is on par with last year's number and that is with one less squad.
  - January the Task Force advised that a detective stopped a car and arrested a suspect without incident, who was also suspected in a drive by shooting on the freeway the week before and 2 days after that implicated kidnapping and carjacking where he took the victim to gas pumps cleaning out the bank account. This person also fled from DPS 3 days after this. The detective again was able to tie this person to all of these crimes.
  - In February, a stolen vehicle was recovered where the suspect bailed and ran. It was discovered the vehicle has 13 weapons including a 50 caliber weapon with an estimated value of \$ 20,000 that was reported stolen. The person was undocumented. Homeland security was notified and the case is considered as a possible terrorist nexus.
  - In April the Task Force assisted with an operation down on Tucson for 6 days. In that time the task force made 7 felony, 2 misdemeanor arrest and 24 stolen vehicles during that time.
  - In April the Task Force was brought in to assist in a case that involved a 4 year old child that was smuggled into the country from Mexico, showing that auto theft is more than just property crime.
  - Just last week a task force member came upon discovering a suspicious vehicle who ended up having fictitious plates, following the vehicle and watch the suspect burglarize a jewelry heist. After a short pursuit, the detective was able to apprehend the suspects. One suspect had warrants for drugs.
  - Capt. Etnire advised that the case with the killed K9 officer was his 2<sup>nd</sup> day on the task force.
  - He advised that the Task force has adopted a new philosophy to not just get the vehicle but to go over the people who are committing these crimes.
- Captain Minter asked how heavy was the case load for the task force.
  - Capt. Entire advised that he doesn't have a number yet but does know that just this week they were working 3 stolen vehicle as once.
  - Ms. Snider offered comment that she is concerned about the greater impact to the citizens beside just the loss of property. Auto Theft has become more violent. She questioned if the recent officer death down in Nogales was due to a car-jacking.
  - Chief Sharp confirmed that yes, the Nogales PD officer was killed by a car-jacking suspect.
  - Ms. Snider advised that we need to recognize that and that the legislature need to recognize this over an administrative cost. We need to accelerate that message. The crime is escalating and given opportunity we would combat this.
  - Chief Sharp advised that we can make this case and package it for the legislatures.
  - Ms. Snider advised thanks to the Task Force and Prosecutor for all they do.

XI. **CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Chairman Reed call to public.

No response.

XII. REPORTS ON CURRENT EVENTS, MATTERS OF BOARD PROCEDURE, REQUESTS AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS:

Chief Sharp recognized Chief Minter announced retirement and offered thanks for all he has done for the AATA board and subcommittee and they will be missed.

Chief Minter advised he will be here through July and at that time will submit his resignation the Chairman.

Meeting adjourned at 10:58am.

Dated this 27 day of July, 2018.

Arizona Automobile Theft Authority

By: Matt Reed

Matt Reed, AATA Board Chairman