Program Narrative

Like many other agencies across South Carolina and the nation, the Lancaster County Sheriff's Office has been impacted by the tough current economic conditions and the increase of crime. As we are all aware, the need for more thorough investigations is at an all-time high. With that need comes more equipment and "tools" to provide to those investigators to perform their duties. Local Law Enforcement is mandated to perform more and more functions and as a result, the Lancaster County Sheriff's Office has been forced to do more with less. Below is a list of equipment needs, which will be obtained with the funds by this grant.

Investigations Unit Equipment Enhancements:

Tracking Device to track, monitor and record a possible target/suspect.

Gloves used when needing less lethal options to carry out officers arrest capabilities. These gloves are non-threatening and de-escalating approved. The technology in these gloves can help decrease risk and liability while creating a more amiable environment between the general population and law enforcement.

Guardian Lights are wearable lights to help keep the investigators safe with visibility and versatility. The amount of danger present in certain situations can get compounded by darkness and these safety lights will assist with that issue.

Forensic Software to be used to lean the fundamentals of image and video analysis and the issues faced when using digital multimedia evidence in investigations. This also included training for one officer and the software.

Flock Safety Cameras will assist in working together to eliminate crime, protect property and mitigate bias in neighborhoods, hot spot locations, communities, businesses and law enforcement. Being able to get data to solve a crime immediately will assist with fleeing suspects.

Office Furniture & Supplies to be used in investigations to provide desk, chair, computer workspace and etc. for investigations during this enhancement project.

In conclusion, it is with great appreciation that these direct grant funds are being made available to the Lancaster County Sheriff's Office. These funds will be used to purchase much needed equipment so that we can provide the tools needed for our Investigators so that they can perform their job duties.