

# Tobacco Grant Program GRANT SERVICES BRANCH – LOCAL ASSISTANCE DIVISION OF OPERATIONS

# TOBACCO GRANT SUMMARY OF AWARD

# DOJ-PROP56-2024-25-1-045

# MONTEREY COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

This Summary of Award document will be used by the Tobacco Grant Program when determining whether an activity or expense claimed was approved for funding and is reimbursable. Activities other than those presented here may not be reimbursable. A Grant Modification may be necessary for material deviations. Please consult with your Grant Program Officer *before* engaging in any activity beyond this scope.

By signing the Memorandum of Understanding, your agency agrees to the commitments outlined below and this document becomes part of the Grant Agreement.

## AWARD SUMMARY

Award Amount: \$291,130 Requested Amount: \$291,130

Removed from Award: N/A Reduced Line Items: N/A

Other Changes or Stipulations: N/A

# **IMPORTANT PROVISIONS FOR ALL GRANTEES**

#### I. Enforcement Activities

- a. Authorized If enforcement activities were proposed, <u>only</u> activities that target retailers for illegal sales/marketing of tobacco products were approved. It is expected that the flavor ban will be enforced within one or more enforcement activities.
- b. Unauthorized Community or school patrols, or other enforcement actions related to tobacco use and possession, are **not** permitted.

#### II. Educational Activities

- a. Authorized Retailer and/or officer educational activities on tobacco laws and ordinances, if included, are authorized as noted below.
- b. Unauthorized School or community education efforts, including media campaigns, are
   <u>not</u> permitted as part of this award. All educational efforts should be directed to
   retailers and/or officers.

#### III. Removed Personnel or Other Items

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a. If specific personnel or other items were removed and not funded, they cannot be reinstated during the grant term.

#### IV. Reduced Line Items

a. If a specific line item was reduced, the intention was to not fully fund it or the activities it represents.

#### V. Mileage/Fuel

a. Budgets that include mileage or fuel were amended to include both together in one line item for flexibility and the type of backup documentation available. Mileage is limited to the state rate in effect at the time of travel.

## VI. Equipment

a. All equipment items must be purchased during the first year of the grant as noted on the Budget Detail. Their awarding is intended to support project goals and be used to support grant activities throughout the grant term.

Please reference the Tobacco Grant Program Grantee Handbook for more information regarding allowable costs.

### **GOALS AND ACTIVITIES**

Retail Inspections

N/A

Minor Decoy Operations

N/A

Shoulder Tap Operations

N/A

#### Undercover Buys

- Per year, 24 undercover buy operations will be conducted (other than minor decoy or shoulder tap).
- Per year, **24** retailers will be targeted through these operations.
- Additional details regarding these undercover operations:
  - District Attorney Investigators will conduct undercover investigations into businesses selling flavored tobacco products. Undercover buys will be conducted both in Monterey County retail facilities and via online sales. Undercover buys will be focused on flavored tobacco products.

Retailer Education

N/A

**Enforcement Officer Education** 

N/A

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#### Prosecution

Grantee will conduct the following activities related to prosecution of violations for sales or marketing of tobacco products to minors:

• The DA's Office has seen that misdemeanor cases for sale of tobacco products to minors are often diverted. For example, one retailer had multiple misdemeanor citations against individual store clerks as well as complaints from parents in the community, yet disjointed misdemeanor prosecutions against individual salesclerks failed to stop the business practice of selling to minors. Therefore, we plan to focus on civil prosecutions pursuant to the Unfair Competition Law found at Business and Professions Code section 17200, which provides for civil penalties and injunctive relief for unlawful business acts and practices.

Task Force

N/A

Other Activities

N/A

#### **PARTNERING AGENCIES**

Based upon the proposal submitted and any subsequent modifications approved by DOJ, the following agencies are expected to partner with and support the activities and fulfillment of goals referenced above:

N/A

Please notify your Grant Program Officer of any proposed changes to partnering agencies, particularly if they are included within your budget.

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