



# City of Cartersville

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## Memorandum

**To** : Dan Porta, City Manager  
**From** : Chief Frank L. McCann  
**Date** : February 23, 2023  
**Ref** : FY 2023 GEMA Homeland Security Grant Program funding

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I am requesting approval to apply for a GEMA Homeland Security Grant (FY 2023) to purchase a total of 10 Ballistic Shields (six (6) 24" x 36" portable shields and four (4) 70' x 31" Level IV Portable Response Barriers) and 10 fully equipped (optics/flash suppressors/rail lights) Daniel Defense MK18, 5.56 caliber tactical rifles.

The portable response barrier shields are critical to active shooter response at any large structure(s), specifically the City of Cartersville School buildings. The smaller shields will be deployed daily by members of the Uniformed Patrol Division, Criminal Investigations Division and Drug Task Force. The tactical rifles will be issued to members of the Cartersville Police Department's Tactical Team.

The total cost of these ballistic shields is \$61,564.00 and the total cost of the rifles is \$32,270.00. I will be requesting the entire cost of the ballistic shields and rifles. Your support and consideration are requested in reference to this grant application.