



Grant Application Request

Date: May 5, 2022

1. Name of Grant: 2022 Illegal Marijuana Market Enforcement Grant
2. Deschutes County contact:
 - a Captain Paul Garrison, Deschutes County Sheriff's Office
 - b Finance Manager, Joe Brundage, Deschutes County Sheriff's Office
3. Funding Agency: Oregon Criminal Justice Commission
4. Grant Amount: \$1,473,072.98
5. Does the grant require matching funds? Yes No

If yes, how much are the required matching funds and what funds does the department plan to use for matching funds? N/A

6. Grant duration: April 1, 2022 through December 31, 2025
7. Grant application deadline: May 11, 2022
8. Grant description: In 2018, the Oregon Legislature passed Senate Bill 1544, which created the Illegal Marijuana Market Enforcement Grant Program to assist local law enforcement agencies in their efforts to address the illegal marijuana market in Oregon. This grant is available for funding the addition of law enforcement officers to investigate illegal marijuana market cases, as well as training opportunities that assist in addressing illegal marijuana markets.

The District Attorney’s Office, Bend Police Department and Deschutes County Sheriff’s Office collaborated to complete a joint application through the Illegal Marijuana Market Enforcement Grant Program to hire investigators and a data analyst to focus on financial analysis and investigation of illegal marijuana grows, sales, shipments out of state and organized crime. This grant has been active since July 2018.

Data Analyst of Marijuana Enforcement Program: July 2018 – April 2022

- 105 total cases opened
- 50 cases with some type of seizure or a arrest
- 50 search warrants
- 68 arrests
- 94 guns
- 14,265.7 lbs of dried marijuana
- 96.6 lbs of edibles
- 72,582 marijuana plants
- 100+ vape cartridges
- 30.7 lbs of marijuana concentrate
- 226.1 lbs of BHO
- 16 BHO labs
- \$1,053,643.73 cash seized
- \$2,678,447.23 property seized (cars, jewelry, gold/silver, residences, etc.)

During this time-frame we have had 1 – 2 marijuana enforcement deputies to handle these cases. There is a significant need to create a full-time dedicated marijuana enforcement team. The illegal marijuana market in Deschutes County has drastically increased right along with our steady population growth. According to the U.S. Census, Deschutes County population was at 204,801 as of July 2021. We are at an annual population increase of 3.3%. We need the staffing to be able to provide efficient law enforcement response for illegal marijuana operations investigations, which will in turn create a deterrent for establishment of future illegal grow operations in our county.

The sheriff’s office is requesting approval to apply for funding to hire two (2) full-time Marijuana Enforcement Deputies and one (1) full-time Marijuana Enforcement Sergeant.

9. Requested budget (please provide additional line item details under the broad categories listed below):

	Amount Requested
Personnel Services	\$1,409,058.98
Travel/Training/Conferences	\$64,014.00
Total	\$1,473,072.98

10. If the grant request includes FTEs, please fill out the table below.

Position Title	Limited duration or regular position?	FTEs	Notes
Sergeant	Limited Duration	1	
Deputy	Limited Duration	2	

11. Other information: Reporting

If awarded this grant, the Deschutes County Sheriff's Office will be responsible for complete and accurate internal controls and reporting quarterly financial expenditure reports to the Criminal Justice Commission as required in the award recipient instructions and procedures.

Please contact Capt. Paul Garrison or Business Manager, Joe Brundage at 541-388-6655 or Jennifer Hill at 541-617-3347 if you have questions concerning this application.

Commissioner/County Administrator Approval: _____

Date: _____

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on behalf of
Sheriff L. Shene Nelson
SHERIFF'S APPROVAL