



Eustis Police Department

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Administrative Services Division

TO: EUSTIS CITY COMMISSION

FROM: TOM CARRINO, CITY MANAGER

DATE: November 6, 2025

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NUMBER 25-87: Traffic Vests

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to provide information and request approval for the purchase and implementation of the *Flying Cross LIT Safety Vest* for use by members of the Eustis Police Department to enhance officer safety and visibility during low-light or high-traffic conditions.

BACKGROUND

Visibility and officer safety remain a top priority for the Eustis Police Department. Officers frequently operate in low-light or hazardous environments, including roadside incidents, crash scenes, and weather-related emergencies. Traditional reflective vests provide limited visibility in poor lighting or adverse weather. The *Flying Cross LIT Safety Vest* introduces illuminated LED technology to significantly improve visibility and safety.

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

The *Flying Cross LIT Safety Vest* is designed to amplify visibility with bright under-lit LED strips, ensuring the wearer is seen in all weather and lighting conditions. This lightweight vest includes a touch dimmer for brightness adjustment, ANSI 2 certification for visibility compliance, and a low-cut zipper design to allow for body camera usage without obstruction. The vest also comes equipped with a convenient storage bag that can be attached to a vehicle's passenger headrest, allowing for quick and easy deployment in the field.

FEATURES

- Integrated **LED under-lighting** for maximum visibility
- **Touch dimmer control** for brightness adjustment

- **ANSI 2 certified** for high-visibility performance
 - **Low-cut front zipper** allowing unobstructed body camera use
 - **Lightweight and durable** construction for all-day comfort
 - **Storage bag** for attachment to headrest and rapid access
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BENEFITS

- Enhances officer visibility in low-light or inclement weather conditions
 - Reduces risk of traffic-related incidents during nighttime operations
 - Provides quick deployment and convenient storage in patrol vehicles
 - Supports compliance with department and federal visibility standards
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FISCAL IMPACT

The total cost for the purchase of *Flying Cross LIT Safety Vests* is **\$4,947.75**, which will be fully funded through the **Justice Assistance Grant – Countywide (JAG-C)** allocation. No additional cost to the City of Eustis General Fund is anticipated.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval for the purchase and deployment of the *Flying Cross LIT Safety Vest* utilizing **JAG-C grant funds** in the amount of **\$4,947.75** to enhance officer visibility and safety during operations in low-light and high-risk environments.

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