StarChase®

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Lake Forest Park Police Department MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to develop and support a team of professionals who **consistently seek and find** innovative policing strategies to affirmatively promote, preserve, and deliver those quality services which enhance the security and safety in our community. To support this mission, we will work in strong partnership with the community.

What is StarChase[®]?

- StarChase[®] is a vehicle mounted GPS launcher that deploys a GPS tracking tag onto a fleeing violator's vehicle.
- The GPS tag communicates real-time positional data via a proprietary mapping program.
- Allows law enforcement to significantly limit vehicle pursuits, while still recovering property and holding individuals accountable for criminal behaviors.
- Promotes a safer law enforcement environment for the public, suspect drivers, and officers.
- First and foremost, this is a pursuit de-escalation tool.

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Considerations

Law Enforcement Perspective

- Ø Allows officers increased time for tactical planning
- Ø Violator feels less pressure, resulting in slower violator speeds
- Ø Reduces high-stress officer/violator interactions in vehicles

Public interests

- Promotes community safety by fewer vehicle pursuits
- Promotes community safety by more effective law enforcement
- Increased rate of recovery of stolen property

4th Amendment Considerations

Reviewed and approved by the ACLU

Funding

Successful application for grant funding through the WA Department of Commerce

48 agencies applied, only 18 successful applicants

Nearly \$50,000 authorized to equip five Lake Forest Park PD patrol vehicles with StarChase[®] and provide train-the-trainer courses to staff members

The timeline for procurement is dependent upon the execution of the contract between City management and Commerce. Approximately two months for delivery once ordered.

Thank you for your time!

Questions?