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August 28, 2025

Her Excellency, Governor Kelly A. Ayotte
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Your Excellency and Members of the Council:

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the New Hampshire Department of Justice (DOJ) to amend an existing subgrant with Somersworth Police Department, Somersworth, NH (Vendor #117476-B003) for the Comprehensive, Opioid, Stimulant, Substance Abuse Site-based Program (COSSAP) from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance for the purpose of continuing to fund enhancements to the Prevention, Enforcement, and Treatment Program (PET), by extending the completion date from September 30, 2025 to September 30, 2026, with no change to the price limitation of \$105,439.00, effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval. The original contract was approved by Governor and Council on September 21, 2022, item #124 and further amended on May 29, 2024, item 5S. 100% Federal Funds.

EXPLANATION

The U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance, COSSAP funding is specifically designed to help lower recidivism rates of overdose victims and provide support to families of those struggling with substance use disorder (SUD) through enhancing and expanding the Prevention, Enforcement, and Treatment (PET) program. This program funds dedicated police officers to respond to overdose calls to provide resources. These officers can assist individuals suffering from SUD, and affected family members, by connecting them with needed resources. The officers also focus on child family members to identify adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) with a goal of preventing children from becoming future users.

New Hampshire Police Departments suffered a shortage of staffing and turnover causing delays in implementing the PET Program with the communities. Due to these shortages several

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of the Police Departments are de-obligating funds as they will be unable to spend the funds during the extension period. The de-obligated funds will be utilized by the Police Departments with staff in the PET Officer position through the extension period.

The subgrant to the Somersworth Police Department supports the PET police officer conducting PET program activities, purchasing equipment, and supplies to conduct services for the funded project and address the immediate needs of children and family exposed to ACEs.

NH DOJ has determined that the vendor has secured the required levels of insurance and have provided evidence of authority to execute and be bound by the contract. The documents supporting these assertions are available at NH DOJ, for review upon request.

In the event that federal funds are no longer available, general funds will not be requested to support this program.

Please let me know if you have any questions concerning this request. Your consideration is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,



John M. Formella
Attorney General

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AMENDMENT TO GRANT AGREEMENT

This AMENDMENT TO GRANT AGREEMENT (the "Amendment") is entered into and effective as of the Effective Date (defined below) by and between as of the NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ("State") and the SOMERSWORTH POLICE DEPARTMENT ("Subrecipient"). State and Subrecipient are sometimes referred to herein singularly as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties."

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Parties entered into the Grant Agreement as approved by the Governor and Executive Council of the State of New Hampshire on September 21, 2022 at Item # 124 (the "Agreement"), wherein the State agreed grant, and Subrecipient agreed to accept, certain sums upon the terms and conditions set forth therein; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Paragraph 20 of the Agreement, the Parties wish to amend the terms and conditions of the Agreement as further specified herein;

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration exchanged, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby conclusively acknowledged, the Parties hereby agree to amend the Agreement as follows:

1. Amendment to Block 1.7. The Grant Completion Date of September 30, 2025 as set forth in Block 1.8 of the Agreement is extended to September 30, 2026.
2. Amendment to Exhibit C. The Grant Completion Date of September 30, 2025 as set forth in Paragraph 3(a) of Exhibit C to the Agreement is extended to September 30, 2026.
3. Effect of Amendment. Except as provided in this Amendment, the terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect for all purposes.
4. Construction. The recitals set forth at the outset of this Amendment are a part of this Amendment, as fully as if set forth in their entirety in the body hereof. The captions or headings in this Amendment are for ease of reference only, and no caption or heading shall affect in any way the interpretation, meaning, or construction of this Amendment. Capitalized terms that are not defined within the text of this Amendment shall have the same meanings respectively ascribed to them in the Agreement.
5. Effective Date. The terms and conditions of this Amendment shall become effective on the date that it is approved the Governor and Executive Council of the State of New Hampshire (the "Effective Date").
6. Counterparts; Facsimile and Electronic Signatures. This Amendment may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same Amendment. A facsimile or portable document format (PDF) signature on this Amendment shall be equivalent to, and have the same force and effect as,

an original signature. In accordance with the New Hampshire Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, RSA 294-E:1 *et seq.*, the Parties hereby agree that this Amendment may be signed electronically, including any exhibits, schedules, addenda, or other attachments referenced herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Amendment as of the date adjacent to their respective signatures set forth below.

SOMERSWORTH POLICE DEPARTMENT

By: Robert M. Belmore 05-06-25
Authorized Representative *City Manager* Date
ROBERT M. BELMORE
Name of Authorized Representative

NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

By: Thomas D. Kaempfer 7/17/25
Tom Kaempfer, Deputy Director of Administration Date

Approved by the Attorney General (Form, Substance and Execution)

By: Christen Lavers 7/18/25
Date

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May 7, 2024

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Your Excellency and Members of the Council:

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the New Hampshire Department of Justice (DOJ) to amend an existing subgrant with the Somersworth Police Department, Somersworth, NH (Vendor #117476-B003), approved by the Governor and Executive Council on September 21, 2022, item 124, by extending the end date only from September 30, 2024 to September 30, 2025, from the Comprehensive, Opioid, Stimulant, Substance Abuse Site-based Program (COSSAP), for the purpose of continuing to fund enhancements to the Presentation Enforcement and Treatment Program (PET), effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval through September 30, 2025. No additional funds are involved in this time extension. 100% Federal Funds.

EXPLANATION

The U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance, COSSAP funding is specifically designed to help lower recidivism rates of overdose victims and provide support to families of those struggling with substance use disorder (SUD) through enhancing and expanding the PET program. This program funds dedicated police officers to respond to overdose calls and also provides other resources. These officers can assist the SUD user, and affected family members, by connecting them with needed resources. The officers also focus on child family members to identify adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) with a goal of preventing children from becoming future users.

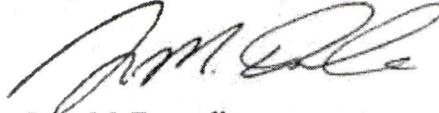
On September 21, 2022, the Governor and Executive Council approved a COSSAP subgrant to the Somersworth Police Department in the amount of \$105,439. The time extension will allow continued funding for overtime hours, training, and designated police officers for the PET program.

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In the event that federal funds are no longer available, general funds will not be requested to support this program.

Please let me know if you have any questions concerning this request. Your consideration is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J.M. Formella', written in a cursive style.

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September 1, 2022

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
And the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, NH 03301

Your Excellency and Members of the Council:

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Justice to enter into a subgrant with the Somersworth Police Department, Somersworth NH (Vendor #177476-B003), in an amount not to exceed \$105,439, from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Site-based Program (COSSAP), for the purpose of expanding and enhancing the Prevention, Enforcement and Treatment (PET) program, effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval through September 30, 2024. 100% Federal Funds.

Funding is available as follows:

02-20-20-201510-5897	<u>FY 2023</u>
Swift Sanctions	
072-500574, Grants Federal	\$105,439

EXPLANATION

COSSAP is specifically designed to help lower recidivism rates of overdose victims and provide support to families of those struggling with substance use disorder (SUD) through enhancing and expanding the PET program; mainly to fund dedicated police resources responding to overdose calls. The PET program identifies that police officers in New Hampshire are often the first, and sometimes only, responders to a scene where drugs are involved. Instead of treating the overdose situation as an investigation into criminal activity, officers can assist SUD users and affected family members by connecting them with needed resources. This

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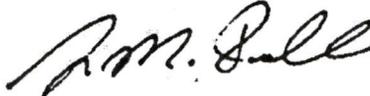
program also identifies adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) to deter and prevent children from becoming future SUD users.

The Somersworth Police Department will use funding to provide overtime hours and training for designated police officers for the PET Program.

In the event that federal funds are no longer available, general funds will not be requested to support this program.

Please let me know if you have any questions concerning this request. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,



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