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State of New Hampshire

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April 13, 2026

The Honorable Ken Weyler, Chairman
Fiscal Committee of the General Court *and*

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

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a, VI, authorize the Police Standards and Training Council (PSTC) to **retroactively** accept and expend funds in the amount of $300,000 from the Department of Justice for the purpose of supporting an existing temporary part-time statewide accreditation program manager and to continue to support the statewide program for law enforcement accreditation, effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council approval for the period of July 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026. **100% Federal Funds.**

Funds are to be budgeted in FY2026 in the following account:

06-087-087-870510-16560000 – Law Enforcement Grant Accreditation

Class-Account-Revenue Group	Class Title	FY2026 Current Adjusted Authorized	Requested Action	FY2026 Revised Adjusted Authorized
Revenue				
00D-488520-69	Interagency Revenue from Fed Funds	0	300,000	300,000
	Total Revenue	**0**	**300,000**	**300,000**
Expense				
020-500200	Current Expenses	0	4,500	4,500
030-500311	Equipment General-New	0	3,000	3,000
037-500173	Technology Hardware	0	2,370	2,370
040-500800	Indirect Costs	0	27,330	27,330
050-500109	Part-Time Salaries	0	214,090	214,090
060-500611	Benefits	0	16,378	16,378
066-500546	Employee Training	0	500	500

070-500704	In State Travel	0	3,172	3,172
075-500591	Grants Subsidies and Relief	0	26,000	26,000
080-500710	Out of State Travel	0	2,660	2,660
	Total Expenses	**0**	**300,000**	**300,000**

EXPLANATION

This item is **retroactive** due to the unanticipated extended period of time getting approval of the federal budget from the COPS grants office and the request by the NH Accreditation Commission to quickly hire a part-time statewide accreditation program manager. The request for budget approval was made on December 30, 2025, and approval was just received on March 30, 2026. The Governor and Council approved an award from the Department of Justice to PSTC on June 4, 2025, item #96, which was subsequently extended on September 17, 2025, item #5G.

On July 15, 2022, the Governor issued Executive Order #2022-06, creating the New Hampshire Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission to launch and oversee a new statewide law enforcement accreditation program, which is administratively attached to the Police Standards & Training Council (PSTC). On July 28, 2025, RSA 106-L:24 became effective and codified the NH Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission into law. The responsibilities of the commission include publishing accreditation standards, conducting assessments and monitoring enrolled agencies to determine compliance with standards. Granting, suspending and revoking agency accreditation. In furtherance of the program, the Commission requested that PSTC hire a temporary part-time statewide accreditation program manager to perform all the objectives and directives of the commission. These federal funds are to be used to support that existing temporary position in furtherance of the program.

Funds are budgeted as follows:

Class 020 – Current Expenses – Office supplies and printed materials

Class 030 – Equipment – Teleconferencing equipment for accreditation training

Class 037 – Technology Hardware – Laptop computer and monitors for program manager

Class 040 – Indirect Cost – For indirect cost recoveries and services included in the Statewide Cost Allocation Plan (SWCAP)

Class 050 – Part-Time Salaries – Salary for existing part-time accreditation program manager

Class 060 – Benefits – Benefits for existing part-time accreditation program manager

Class 066 – Employee Training – Accreditation manager training

Class 070 – In State Travel – Mileage reimbursement for private vehicle

Class 075 – Grants, Subsidies and Relief - Reimbursement to law enforcement agencies for standards software

Class 080 – Out of State Travel – Accreditation program manager travel to the national accreditation conference

Respectfully submitted,

John V. Scippa

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August 21, 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 Department of Justice to amend an existing subgrant with the New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Council, Concord, NH (Vendor #324989 B001), approved by Governor and Executive Council on June 4, 2025, Item #096, by extending the end date only from September 30, 2025 to September 30, 2026, with no change to the price limitation of $300,000, for the purpose of continuing to make the Police Standards and Training Council an accredited training center, effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval. 100% Federal Funds.

EXPLANATION

The Department of Justice requests authorization to amend the subgrant to extend the end date to September 30, 2026. This funding project is specifically designed to assist the New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Council with becoming an accredited training center.

The Department of Justice is requesting authorization to amend the subgrant to extend the end date to September 30, 2026, due to the delay in utilizing prior federal funding for this project. The delays were the result of the sudden passing of the former Program Manager, and the need for Police Standards and Training to enter into a Request for Proposal (RFP) to contract with an entity to assist in creating mapped model policies to advance the project.

Funding under this award is designated for the accreditation process, including fees, office support, software, training, and audit expenses. The subgrant to PSTC is also utilized to support a part-time Accreditation Program Coordinator position to provide the PSTC personnel with guidance on policy, development, best practice, and assistance throughout the accreditation process.

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 POLICE STANDARDS AND TRAINING COUNCIL ("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 June 4, 2025 at Item # 096 (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 Completion Date of 09/30/2025 as set forth in Block 1.7 of the Agreement is now 09/30/2026.

2. 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.

3. 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.

4. 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").

5. 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.

POLICE STANDARDS AND TRAINING COUNCIL

By: John V. Scippa — Aug 12, 2025
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Authorized Representative — Date

NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

By: Thomas D. Kaempfer — August 13, 2025
Thomas Kaempfer, Deputy Director of Administration — Date

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

By: Christen Lavers — 8/18/25
Date

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May 9, 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 enter into a subgrant with the New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Council, Concord, NH (Vendor # 324989-B001), from the U.S. Department of Justice, Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), Community Policing Development (CPD) Grant, in an amount not to exceed $300,000, for the purpose of supporting the enhancement and maintenance of an accreditation body, effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval through September 30, 2025. 100% Federal Funds.

Funding is available as follows:

02-20-20-201510-62870000	SFY 2025
Community Policing Dev	
085-588587, Interagency Transfer Out of Federal Funds	$300,000

EXPLANATION

The Federal Office of Community Oriented Policing Services Community Policing Development (COPS CPD) is a competitive grant program furthering the United States Department of Justice mission to prevent crime and violence. The New Hampshire Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission's goal is to ensure a high level of participation in the New Hampshire Law Enforcement Accreditation Program for all law enforcement units in the state.

PSTC will utilize funds to continue training and supporting law enforcement on accreditation standards at an affordable level. This program will ensure police agencies of all sizes have the ability to pursue accreditation. Enabling this program will ensure accountability, transparency, and strengthen public confidence and trust in law enforcement agencies throughout the state.

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 of this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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