

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE OHIO ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE, FUNDED BY THE OHIO BUREAU OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION, UNDER THE OHIO LAW ENFORCEMENT BODY ARMOR PROGRAM FOR THE ASHTABULA COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, William Niemi, Ashtabula County Sheriff, has prepared an application to the Ohio Attorney General's office, Ohio Law Enforcement Body Armor Program, for the approval of the Board, to-wit:

**Grant Period:** June 30, 2022 thru September 30, 2022

**Purpose:** To purchase 41 body armor vests for use by the Ashtabula County Sheriff's Department

**Amount:** \$34,008.97 grant amount, a 25% local match of \$11,336.33 for a total of **\$45,534.30**

WHEREAS, the application has been reviewed and it is found that such a grant is necessary; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Ashtabula County, Ohio that an application be made to the Ohio Attorney General's Office, Ohio Law Enforcement Body Armor Program, in accordance with a copy of said application on file in this office.

**ASHTABULA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
CERTIFICATION PAGE**

Resolution No. 2022-205

April 12, 2022

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Upon the motion of Casey R. Kozlowski, seconded by Kathryn L. Whittington.

**VOTE:**

J.P. Ducro IV

Aye

Casey R. Kozlowski

Aye

Kathryn L. Whittington

Aye

**CERTIFICATE OF CLERK**

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution acted upon and duly passed by the Board of County Commissioners of Ashtabula County, Ohio, on the date noted above.



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Lisa Hawkins, Clerk of the Board  
Board of County Commissioners  
Ashtabula County, Ohio



**William R. Niemi**  
**Sheriff**

# **Ashtabula County** **Sheriff's Office**

25 W. JEFFERSON ST.  
JEFFERSON, OHIO 44047  
ashtabulacountysheriff.org

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County 911 FAX  
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(440) 576-0055  
911  
(440) 576-5915  
(440) 576-3573

Commissioner Katherine Whittington

April 8, 2022

Commissioner Casey Kozlowski

Commissioner J.P. Ducro

Commissioner's,

Attached is the Grant for the Bullet Proof Vest's we discussed in yesterdays meeting. The grant application will be submitted today and the cost for the vests is \$45,345.30 through Atwells Police Supply. The grant will pay for \$34,008.97 if awarded, the 25% match that the county will need to cover is \$11,33633. Thank you for all you do.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "William R. Niemi". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "W".

William R. Niemi, Sheriff



# Ohio Law Enforcement Body Armor Program

Application

## ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Only Ohio police departments, sheriffs' offices and agencies that are in good standing and current on all fees with the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation may apply. Only Ohio police departments, sheriffs' offices and agencies that have Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation state insurance fund policies or belong to entities that have Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation state insurance fund policies may apply. State agencies and self-insured departments are not eligible.

## OVERVIEW

This program, funded by the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation, provides money to eligible applicants for the purchase of body armor vests to enhance the safety and prevent injury of law enforcement officers. A "law enforcement officer" is any officer, agent, or employee of a unit of local government authorized by law, or by a government agency, to engage in, or supervise, the prevention, detection, or investigation of any violation of criminal law, or who is authorized by law to supervise sentenced criminal offenders. This includes full-time, part-time, and auxiliary personnel, whether paid or volunteer. An eligible local law enforcement agency may request up to \$40,000 of grant money during FY 19-22 combined for the purchase of body armor vests, after a local match of 25 percent.

## ORGANIZATIONAL INFORMATION

### Agency Information

Bureau of Workers' Compensation policy #: 30400001-0

Name of agency: Ashtabula County Sheriff's Office

Street address: 25 West Jefferson St.

City: Jefferson

State: OH

ZIP: 44047

### Contact Person

First name: Steven

Last name: Murphy

Email address: ssmurphy@ashtabulacounty.us

Phone: (440) 576-3509

### Person Submitting Application (If Different From Contact)

First name: same

Last name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### Chief or Sheriff

First name: William

Last name: Niemi

Email address: wrniemi@ashtabulacounty.us

Phone: (440) 576-3508



**Applicant Payment Information**

Applicant's State of Ohio OAKS ID #: \_\_\_\_\_ (OR) Tax ID # 34-6000128

Payment address: 25 West Jefferson St.

City: Jefferson State: OH ZIP: 44047

**PROGRAM INFORMATION**

Number of vests requested: 41

How many people, including all staff members, are employed by the agency? 99

How many law enforcement officers work for the agency? (The number of requested vests cannot exceed this number.) 41

Of those officers, how many are full-time: 41 Part-time: 0

Provide the number of hours worked over the past 24 months by the law enforcement officers in your agency, including overtime: 173,704

How many incidents included shots fired at your agency's law enforcement officers in the past 24 months? 1

How many injuries resulted from these incidents? 0

How many of these incidents involved law enforcement officers who were wearing body armor vests? 1

Use the tables below to provide information on all workers' compensation claims of injury associated with shooting incidents during the past 24 months:

BWC CLAIM OF INJURY NUMBER	OFFICER WAS WEARING BODY ARMOR VEST	
	Yes <input type="radio"/>	No <input type="radio"/>
	Yes <input type="radio"/>	No <input type="radio"/>
	Yes <input type="radio"/>	No <input type="radio"/>
	Yes <input type="radio"/>	No <input type="radio"/>
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	Yes <input type="radio"/>	No <input type="radio"/>





## CERTIFICATIONS

By signing this application, I certify the following:

- I have the authority to bind the applicant to the terms set forth in this application.
- The applicant has a mandatory wear policy in effect that applies to all uniformed officers on duty.
- The body armor included in the proposed budget meets the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) standards.
- The applicant is in good standing with, and current on, all amounts due and owing to the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation.
- The applicant understands and acknowledges that the Ohio Attorney General and the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation are not responsible for the function of the body armor vests purchased through this grant program and will not be held liable for the same.

## ORGANIZATION AUTHORIZATION AND CERTIFICATION

I understand that by signing this application, I grant the Ohio Attorney General's Office or its authorized agents access to any records for verification and evaluation of the information provided in this application. I understand that completion of the application does not guarantee that I will receive the requested grant.

I certify that the information I have provided in this application is, to the best of my knowledge, a true, accurate, and complete disclosure of the requested information. I understand that I may be held civilly and criminally liable under federal and state law for knowingly making false or fraudulent statements.

Agency: Ashtabula County Sheriff's Office

Signature: *Steven S. Murphy*

Date: 04/05/2022

Name: Steven S. Murphy

Title: Lieutenant

**SUBMIT**

## INSTRUCTIONS

Completed applications must be signed and submitted no later than **June 30, 2022**. Please be sure to attach quote with itemized costs detailed in the program budget. If the "Submit" button above fails, please email (DO NOT FAX) completed applications and related attachments to [BodyArmorGrant@OhioAGO.gov](mailto:BodyArmorGrant@OhioAGO.gov).

Notifications with the award decision will be sent within sixty days. Included in the award decision email will be an Award Acceptance Agreement and Request for Payment Form. **Body armor is to be purchased after receipt of award notification email.**

Once your agency has completed the purchase of the approved body armor, please submit the signed Award Acceptance Agreement and Request for Payment Form, with proof of payment documentation, no later than **September 30, 2022** to [OhioLEBodyArmor@OhioAGO.gov](mailto:OhioLEBodyArmor@OhioAGO.gov).

Once approved by the Ohio Attorney General's office, payment will be made.

Additional details regarding disbursement of funds and reporting requirements will be outlined in the Award Acceptance Agreement.

Please direct any questions to [OhioLEBodyArmor@OhioAGO.gov](mailto:OhioLEBodyArmor@OhioAGO.gov).

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207 Chestnut Street  
Painesville, Ohio, 44077  
Toll Free- 800-362-1361  
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**Bill To:** Ashtabula County Sheriff's Office  
Ashtabula County Sheriff's Office  
25 West Jefferson Street  
Jefferson, OH 44047

Item Name	Item Description	Attribute	Size	Qty	Price	Ext Price
SBA-SM02-2	SUMMIT SM02 LEVEL II FRONT & BACK BALLISTIC PANELS			42	\$752.00	\$31,584.00
SCA-U1FO	SECOND CHANCE U1FO UNIFORM SHIRT CARRIER	Black		42	\$212.50	\$8,925.00
M2 INTERNAL VEST CARRIER	M2 Internal Vest Carrier			42	\$91.65	\$3,849.30
STP-58	SOFT TRAUMA PLATE			42	\$23.50	\$987.00

Subtotal: \$45,345.30  
Exempt 0 % Tax: + \$0.00  
**RECEIPT TOTAL: \$45,345.30**

Quote on body armor

Pricing per state term schedule #RS901918

Thanks for shopping with us!

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