

Yellowstone County DUI Task Force Meeting Minutes
November 15, 2012

Present: Jade Freiboth, Sharmon Brougham, John Bedford, George Zorzakis, Karl Rude, Stephanie Hons, Mary Aggers, Sarah Reil, Mike Yakawich, Lauren Little, Kathy Carson, Kent O'Donnell, Barry Willson, Rod Willson, Brandon Gatlin, Walter Shore, R.D. Harper, Jeannie Martin, Stan Langve, Kristin Lundgren, Rod Souza, Monty Wallis, Chuck Bratsky, David Carter, Darla Tyler-McSherry. **Excused:** Kevin Holland, Roger Gordon, Barbara Grossman.

Meeting called to order at 11:30. The primary focus for this meeting is to review and vote on submitted RFPs.

The first RFP presentation was from Billings Police Department to send an officer to a Technical Crash Training Course. The presented nexus between this request and DUI is that approximately 75% of crashes investigated by BPD are DUI-related. The total amount requested is \$3039.36.

The next presentation was from Billings Police Department for Alco-Blow sensors. Alcohol is a gateway drug and they are seeing problems in middle schools. In order for officers to use other alcometers, parental permission is needed. These sensors can detect the presence of alcohol without requiring the person to blow into the machine. The presented nexus between this project and DUI is crowd management, safety for students, and providing more tools for officer to help prevent young people from becoming addicted. The total amount requested is \$1,495.00.

The March Against Drugs and Violence organization submitted an RFP for event support for the March scheduled for June 8, 2013. The presented nexus between this project and DUI is education and community awareness for alcohol and other drug issues. The total requested amount is \$500.00.

The Montana Highway Patrol submitted a request for overtime DUI patrol. These shifts would be primarily on weekend and night shifts. The presented nexus between this project and DUI is extra manpower for the detection and apprehension of impaired drivers. The total requested amount is \$2,000.00.

The MSU Billings Campus Police submitted an RFP for overtime DUI patrol. These shifts would be primarily on weekend and night shifts. The presented nexus between this project and DUI is extra manpower for the detection and apprehension of impaired drivers. The total requested amount is \$2,926.08.

Probation and Parole submitted a request for overtime felony DUI checks. Currently there are 240 felony DUI offenders in the city of Billings. The presented nexus between this project and DUI is being able to provide extra supervision of these clients. The total amount requested is \$5,000.00.

Willson LLC submitted a request for Tavern Taxi support. The presented nexus between this project and DUI is that the data shows that this program keeps an average of 7 impaired drivers off the roads daily. The total requested amount is \$5,000.00.

The Yellowstone County Impaired Driving Court submitted a request for support in providing alternative transportation for clients and SCRAM cost assistance. The presented nexus between this project and DUI is that their clients are mostly repeat offenders, and we have an option of warehousing repeat offenders or give them an opportunity to go through

programs such as this court in order for them to become productive members of society. The total requested amount is \$5,000.00.

The Task Force voted to approve the following amounts:

Organization	Project	Requested	Amount Funded
Billings Police Department	Technical Crash Training	\$3,039.36	\$3,039.36
Billings Police Department	Alco Blows \$299 ea. x 5	\$1,495	\$1,495
March Against Drugs & Violence	Event Support	\$500.00	\$500
Montana Highway Patrol	Overtime Shift support	\$2,000.00	\$2,000
MSUB Police	Overtime Shift support	\$2,926.08	\$2,926.08
	Overtime felony DUI		
Probation & Parole	checks	\$5,000.00	\$5,000
Willson LLC	Tavern Taxi support	\$5,000.00	\$5,000
	incentives, grad support,		
YCIDC	training, SCRAM, Alt trans	\$5,000.00	\$5,000
		\$24,960.44	\$24,960.44

This RFP cycle runs January 1-June 30, 2013. Reimbursement requests can be made up to 30 days after the cycle ends. Additionally, organizations awarded an RFP must submit a brief report on their project outcomes.

A motion was made to approve the October meeting minutes. Motion seconded and approved.

The Task Force received nomination letters for the Award of Merit. Letters submitted through 11/15 include:

Laurel Police Dept.:	Officer Fred Gregory
Yellowstone County Sheriff's Office:	Deputy Robert Lester
Billings PD:	Officer Brandon Ihde
Montana Highway Patrol:	Trooper Darvin Mees

At Large: Chuck will speak with Dr. Maeir as well as a cohort at Billings Clinic. Yellowstone County Sheriff's Office may submit an At Large nomination as well. It is requested to submit all other At Large nominations no later than December 6.

The Angel Tree/Award of Merit ceremony will take place at noon in the Courthouse Lobby on Thursday, December 20. Rod Souza agreed to emcee the event. Lt O'Donnell and Captain Edgell will coordinate efforts to have Trooper Haynes' car outside the Courthouse again, as that generated a lot of attention and awareness to last year's event and the issue of DUI overall. Darla is coordinating with Becky Sturdevant to have her attend and give a brief talk as well.

The Task Force voted to approve a holiday media campaign of up to \$5,000.00.

Walter brought a poster project created by teens at the Yellowstone Boys and Girls Ranch. It detailed recent Gazette articles about the issue of DUI in our community. The Task Force appreciates their time and effort. It was suggested to bring this project to the Angel Tree Ceremony. A motion was made to approve up to \$100 for rewards/treats for the teens who participated in creating this project. Motion seconded and approved.

Sharmon reported the MT Crime Prevention Association conference was a success. They had over 300 in attendance with 25 vendors. Next year's conference will take place in Bozeman. Sharmon thanked all Task Force members who gave presentations at this year's event.

We will not have a regular meeting in December as we will instead have the Angel Tree/Award of Merit ceremony. Our next regular meeting will be January 17, 2013.

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 PM.