

The COPS in Schools initiative reduces the local match requirement for law enforcement agencies seeking to hire additional officers in and around schools.

Grants will be awarded to provide for a designated portion of the salary and benefits of each new officer over three years. The maximum grant amount is \$125,000 per officer; any remainder is paid with state or local funds. To qualify for funding, officers must be hired on or after the grant award start date. Funding begins when new officers are hired or on the award date (whichever is later). Funds are distributed over the course of the grant.

COPS in Schools funding must be used to hire new, additional School Resource Officers, over and above the number of sworn officers that your agency would fund with state or local funds in the absence of the grant (including other School Resource Officers). Your agency may not reduce its state or locally-funded level of sworn officers (including other School Resource Officers) as a result of applying for or receiving COPS in Schools grant funding.

COPS in Schools funding may also be used to rehire sworn officers previously employed by your agency who have been laid off for financial reasons unrelated to the availability of the COPS in Schools grant. Your agency must obtain prior written approval from the COPS Office, however, if you wish to use COPS in Schools funding to rehire any officer who is laid off after the official award start date of the COPS in Schools grant.

All grant recipients must develop a written plan to retain their COPS-funded officer positions with State or local funding after Federal funding ends. This plan must be submitted at the time of application to be considered for funding. The application must also include a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to document the roles and responsibilities of the collaborative effort between law enforcement and education. The MOU must be signed by the law enforcement executive and the appropriate school official and must be submitted at the time of application to be considered for funding. The application must also include a Narrative Addendum to document that the School Resource Officers will be assigned to work in and around primary or secondary schools, and provide a descriptive narrative of the use of the School Resource Officers.

In addition to these general program requirements, agencies seeking funding under this program will be asked to provide supporting documentation in

the following areas: problem identification and justification, community policing strategies to be used by the officers, quality and level of commitment to the effort, and the link to community policing.

All COPS in Schools awards will contain an "Additional Grant Condition" that must be signed and returned to the COPS Office. This condition requires the funded officer(s) and the school administrator designated as the educational partner under the CIS grant to attend a COPS in Schools Training. Costs for training, per diem, travel, and lodging for attendance of required participants will be reimbursed by the COPS Office up to a maximum of \$1100.

An award under the COPS in Schools grant program will not affect the eligibility of an agency to receive awards under any other COPS program.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) reference for this program is 16.710.

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Ralph Justus,
Acting Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Office of Community Oriented Policing Services FY 2001 Community Policing Discretionary Grants

AGENCY: Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, Department of Justice.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services ("COPS") announces the availability of funds under the Tribal Resources Grant Program, a program designed to meet the most serious needs of law enforcement in Indian communities through a broadened, comprehensive hiring program that will offer a variety of funding options from salary and benefits for new police personnel to funding for law enforcement training and equipment for new and existing officers. This program, which complements the COPS Office's efforts to fund 100,000 additional community policing officers and to support innovative community policing, will enhance law enforcement infrastructures and community policing efforts in tribal communities which have limited resources and are affected by high rates of crime and violence. Applications should reflect the department's most serious law enforcement needs and must link these

needs to the implementation or enhancement of community policing. In addition, a written plan to retain COPS-funded officer positions after Federal funding has ended must be submitted with the grant application.

All Federally Recognized Tribes with established police departments or existing police efforts are eligible to apply. Tribes that wish to establish police departments and meet specific criteria are eligible to apply. Tribes or villages may also apply as a consortium with a written partnership agreement that names a lead agency and describes how requested resources will serve the consortium's population. In addition, tribes that are currently served by Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) law enforcement may request funding under this grant program to supplement their existing police services. Tribes whose law enforcement services are exclusively provided by local policing agencies through a contract agreement are not eligible under the COPS TRGP program, but may apply to the COPS Universal Hiring Program for police officer positions only.

DATES: Applications will be sent to all Federally Recognized Tribes with existing law enforcement efforts by February 2001. Tribes or villages that wish to apply as a start-up or consortium may request an application kit from the COPS Office. The deadline for the submission of application is April 16, 2001. Applications must be postmarked by April 16, 2001 to be eligible.

ADDRESSES: To obtain an application or for more information, call the U.S. Department of Justice Response Center at 1-800-421-6770. A copy of the application kit will be available in February on the COPS Office web site at: <http://www.usdoj.gov/cops>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The U.S. Department of Justice Response Center, 1-800-421-6770 or your grant advisor.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Overview

The Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 (Pub. L. 103-322) authorizes the Department of Justice to make grants to increase deployment of law enforcement officers devoted to community policing on the streets and rural routes in this nation. The Tribal Resources Grant Program is a program developed to meet the most serious needs of law enforcement in Indian communities through a broadened, comprehensive hiring program that will offer a variety of funding options from salary and benefits

for new police personnel to funding for law enforcement training and equipment for new and existing officers. This program will enhance law enforcement infrastructures and community policing efforts in these Tribal communities, many of which have limited resources and are affected by high rates of crime and violence.

The Tribal Resources Grant Program is part of a larger Federal initiative which over the last three years, has resulted in the Departments of Interior and Justice working in collaboration to improve law enforcement in tribal communities. Funding has been appropriated to several DOJ agencies including the FBI, the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP), the Corrections Program Office (CPO), and the COPS Office. COPS is coordinating with these agencies as well as with the Office of Law Enforcement Services of the Bureau of Indian Affairs to ensure that limited resources are not spent on duplicative efforts.

The Tribal Resources Grant will provide tribal communities with the resources to: Hire new police officers; train new and existing officers in community policing, grants management and computer training as well as basic police training at a state academy or the Indian Police Academy in Artesia, NM; and provide basic standard issue equipment, ranging from bullet-proof vests and uniforms, to firearms and portable radios.

The Tribal Resources Grant Program emphasizes deployment of officers and resources into communities that are affected by high rates of crime and violence. Applicants must submit a written plan to retain their COPS-funded officer positions after Federal funding has ended. This plan must be submitted to the COPS Office with the Tribal Resources Grant Program application.

A total of \$40,000,000 in funding will be available under the Tribal Resources Grant Program. The grant will cover a maximum Federal Share of 75% of total project costs, including approved salary and benefits of entry-level police officers (up to a maximum of \$75,000 per officer over three years), basic law enforcement training and equipment, vehicles, and technology. A local match requirement of 25% of the total project costs is included in this program. A waiver of the local match requirement may be requested but will be granted only on the basis of documented demonstrated fiscal hardship. Requests for waivers must be submitted with the application.

Tribes whose law enforcement services are exclusively provided by local policing agencies through contract arrangements are not eligible under this COPS program. However, tribes that do not meet the eligibility requirements for this program may apply to the COPS Office Universal Hiring Program for police officer positions only.

Receiving an award under the Tribal Resources Grant Program will not preclude grantees from future consideration under other COPS grant programs for which they are eligible.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Pursuant to the Clean Air Act

Notice is hereby given that a proposed Consent Decree ("Decree") in *United States v. Preston Engravers, Inc.*, Civil Action No. 3:99CV1273(JBA) (D. Conn.), and *United States v. Roto-Die Company, Inc. d/b/a Rotometrics Group and Micrometrics Systems*, Civil Action No. 4:99CV10186SNL (E.D. Mo.), was lodged on February 5, 2001, with the United States District Court for the District of Connecticut.

The complaints in these cases allege that defendants Preston Engravers, Inc. ("Preston") and Roto-Die Company, Inc. ("Roto-Die") (collectively the "Defendants") violated section 112 of the Clean Air Act ("CAA"), 42 U.S.C. 7412, and the National Emission Standard for Chromium Emissions from Hard and Decorative Chromium Electroplating and Chromium Anodizing Tanks (the "Chromium Electroplating NESHAP") at machine tooling facilities owned and/or operated by the Defendants in East Windsor, Connecticut, Eureka, Missouri, and Meadows of Dan, Virginia.

Under the proposed Decree, Defendants shall pay the United States a civil penalty of \$245,000.00. Moreover, the Decree requires Defendants to, *inter alia*, refrain from further violating the CAA, to complete the development of and implementation of an operation and maintenance plan for each of the three facilities operated by Defendants, and to submit four quarterly reports to EPA for each facility documenting the ongoing compliance

with relevant emission limits for the affected sources.

The Department of Justice will receive, for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication, comments relating to the proposed consent decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General for the Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, D.C. 20044-7611, and should refer to *United States v. Preston Engravers, Inc.*, DOJ Ref. #90-5-2-1-06029 and/or *United States v. Roto-Die Company, Inc. d/b/a Rotometrics Group and Micrometrics Systems*, DOJ Ref. #90-5-2-1-06032.

The proposed consent decree may be examined at the office of the United States Attorney, District of Connecticut, 157 Church Street, New Haven, Connecticut 06510, (203) 821-3700; the office of the United States Attorney, Eastern District of Missouri, United States Court & Customs House, 1114 Market Street, Room 401, St. Louis, Missouri 63101, (314) 539-2200; the Region I Office of the Environmental Protection Agency, 1 Congress Street, Suite 1100, Boston, Massachusetts 02114, (617) 918-2001; the Region III Office of the Environmental Protection Agency, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029, (215) 814-2900; and the Region VII Office of the Environmental Protection Agency, 901 North Fifth Street, Kansas City, Kansas 66101, (913) 551-7010. A copy of the proposed Consent Decree may be obtained by mail from the Consent Decree Library, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, D.C. 20044. In requesting a copy please refer to the referenced case and enclose a check in the amount of \$7.25 (25 cents per page reproduction costs), payable to the Consent Decree Library.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Aerospace Vehicle Systems Institute ("AVSI") Cooperative

Notice is hereby given that, on November 7, 2000, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative