Highway Safety and Traffic Division
TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT APPLICATION
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Jurisdiction:	Rural	**Jurisdiction Population:**			54,000		
Targeted Population:	All Drivers						

Project activity for which your agency is requesting funding:

Hazardous Moving Violation

Project Title:	HMV Enforcement	**Requested Amount:**	$44,700.00
Brief Description:	HMV Enforcement Overtime		

Brian Lewis
Authorizing Official

Authorizing Official Signature

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Authorizing Official Title

PROBLEM IDENTIFICATION

Per the FY 24-26 Triennial Highway Safety Plan, during the last 5 years, no behavior on Missouri roadways has contributed to traffic fatalities as frequently as speed and aggressive driving. From 2017-2021, there were 2,547 fatalities involving a speeding or aggressive driver, accounting for 53% of all traffic fatalities. Speed and aggressive driving are cited in fatal crash reports as a contributing circumstance more than twice as often as impaired driving, and feedback and citation data from law enforcement agencies indicate speeds are up significantly during the last 3 years.

The Joplin Police Department investigated 4,579 traffic crashes in the city limits from 2022-2024. The City of Joplin includes city streets, several State Highways, 13 miles of IS 44, and a section of IS 49 / MO 249.

Of the 4,579 crashes, 839 resulted in a physical injury, and another 31 resulted in a fatality. Of the 839 crashes that resulted in a injury or a fatality, 68 had excessive speed as a contributing factor. Additionally, in 2025 the Joplin Police Department contacted 16,429 drivers for moving violations. Of those, 3,347 drivers received at least one citation or arrest for a traffic offense.

Citizen surveys indicate that the number one concern of our populace are hazardous moving violations, including speed, improper lane use, traffic signal violations, and pedestrian violations.

The City of Joplin is incorporated in two separate counties, Jasper and Newton. According to the MSHP for the time period 2022 through 2024, Jasper County responded to 606 speed related crashes and ranked 14th in the state. Newton County worked 517 and ranked 18th in crashes where speed was a factor. Between the years 2022 and 2024, the Joplin Police Department worked 255 speed related crashes and was ranked 24th in the state. During this same time period, the Joplin Police Department investigated 4,579 total traffic crashes, which ranked 8th in the state for overall crashes.

GOALS/OBJECTIVES

As outlined in the FY24-26 Triennial Highway Safety Plan, Core Performance Measure Goals:

Based on a goal of 0 fatalities by 2030, Missouri is setting a five-year average fatality target of 897.6 by December 31, 2026.

Based on a goal of 0 serious injuries by 2040, Missouri is setting a five-year average serious injury target of 4,486.1 by December 31, 2026.

Based on a goal of 0 fatalities by 2030, Missouri is setting a five-year average speed related fatality target of 293.8 by December 31,2026.

It is the goal of the Joplin Police Department to deploy officers on overtime into high crash areas . Officers will contact drivers for various violations with an emphasis on hazardous moving violations, those violations that cause injuries and fatalities. Our focus it to evaluate problem locations and respond with enforcement, education and visibility.

Over the past few years, we have used increased enforcement and visibility as a way to prevent crashes. We have seen a decrease in our overall crash numbers by a slight margin, despite increased population.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Our goal is to deploy Traffic Unit Officers on overtime into high crash areas. All sworn officers will be eligible to supplement traffic officers toward the goal of enforcing traffic laws and lowering vehicle and pedestrian crashes.

Officers will contact drivers for various violations with an emphasis on hazardous moving violations, Those violations that cause injuries and fatalities.

The Traffic Supervisors will compare crash rates to enforcement and create and direct resources to those area to respond to the crashes. They will also use previous data to deploy enforcement in areas projected to have crash volumes.

Officers will be highly visible in high crash and violation areas to prevent crashes . Social media will be used to inform the public of these efforts.

Grant funds to be used to pay for officers overtime and fringe benefits working under this project.

For large scale enforcement events requiring an extra dispatcher, overtime and fringe would be used under this project.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Question	Answer
You must answer the following questions.	
1 Does your agency have and enforce a safety belt policy for all employees/personnel?	Yes
2 Does your agency have and enforce a policy restricting cell phone use while driving?	Yes
3 Does your agency report racial profiling data annually?	Yes
4 Does your agency report to MOCARS?	Yes
5 Does your agency report MIBRS information annually?	Yes
6 Please explain any NO answer(s) to questions 1-5:	
7 Does your agency have adequate manpower to fully perform the activities, expend the funds requested, and to submit vouchers on a monthly and/or quarterly basis in this application?	Yes
8 If NO, please explain.	
9 Have any significant changes occurred with your agency within the last year that would affect performance, including personnel or system changes?	Yes
10 If YES, please explain.	

We have lost a number of patrol officers in the last year. Our traffic unit is intact and focused on lowering crash numbers, We still have sufficient staff to expend these funds and conduct enforcement. An informal survey was taken among officers, finding all surveyed officers are ready and able to use these funds to maintain enforcement events.

11 Are you aware of any fraud, waste or abuse on grant projects in your office/agency within the last 5 years?	No
12 If YES, please explain.	
13 Have any of your officers/personnel been debarred and are therefore not eligible to receive federal funds for reimbursement of salary, fringe benefits, or overtime?	No
14 If your agency received Highway Safety grant funding in the last three (3) fiscal years and there were unexpended balances, please explain why.	

We spent all funds and requested additional funds. We also spent most of those but did leave a small amount left the past two years.

15 Did your political entity receive more than 80% of its annual gross revenues in Federal Awards in your preceding fiscal year?	No
16 Did your political entity receive $25,000,000 or more in Federal Awards in your preceding fiscal year?	No

17 If you answered NO to either question 15 and 16, DO NOT answer this question. If you answered YES to both question 15 and 16, and the public does not have access to this information, list the names and compensation amounts of the five most highly compensated employees in your business or organization (the legal entity to which the UEI number it provided belongs).

18 What is the location of your project (City, County, or Counties)?

Joplin, Jasper and Newton Counties in Missouri

19 What is your organization type? Enforcement Agency

20 If answered OTHER, please explain.

Please use the most current 12-months of data available for answering questions 18-23. INCLUDE ALL OF YOUR AGENCY'S STATISTICS, NOT JUST THOSE ISSUED DURING GRANT ACTIVITY.

21 Total number of DWI violations written by your agency.	419
22 Total number of speeding citations written by your agency.	715
23 Total number of HMV citations written by your agency.	4796
24 Total number of child safety/booster seat citations written by your agency.	8
25 Total number of safety belt citations written by your agency.	129
26 Total number of warnings issued.	0

Use the most current three years crash data from the Missouri State Highway Patrol (MSHP) or your internal record management system for questions 24-34.

27 Total number of traffic crashes.	4579
28 Total number of traffic crashes resulting in a fatality.	31
29 Total number of traffic crashes resulting in a serious injury.	839
30 Total number of speed-related traffic crashes.	273
31 Total number of speed-related traffic crashes resulting in a fatality.	9
32 Total number of speed-related traffic crashes resulting in a serious injury.	101
33 Total number of alcohol-related traffic crashes.	64
34 Total number of alcohol-related traffic crashes resulting in a fatality.	4
35 Total number of alcohol-related traffic crashes resulting in a serious injury.	41
36 Total number of unbuckled fatalities.	6

37 Total number of unbuckled serious injuries. 63

Enter your agency's information below.

38 Total number of commissioned law enforcement officers. 115

39 Total number of commissioned patrol and traffic officers. 70

40 Total number of commissioned law enforcement officers available for overtime enforcement. 113

41 Total number of vehicles available for enforcement. 120

42 Total number of radars/lasers. 59

43 Total number of in-car video cameras. 85

44 Total number of PBTs and/or oral fluid testing devices. Please indicate the number of each type of instrument.

Sotoxa - 2
PBT - 34

45 Total number of Breath Instruments. 5

The following information explains the strategies your agency will use to address the traffic crash problem. This information is considered to be the Project Description and should be specific to the crash problem.

46 Identify primary enforcement locations.

Enforcement will take place city wide with priority on high crash locations.

High crash areas include:
- Range Line Road from Zora to 44th
- 7th from Schifferdecker to Northpark Lane
- 20th from Country Club to Davis
- 32nd from Central City to Prigmor
- I-44 between mile markers 0.0 to 13.4
- I-49 between 32nd Street and Zora
- Main Street between Zora and 50th

47 Enter the number of enforcement periods your agency will conduct each month. 2

48 Enter the months in which enforcement will be conducted.

12-Months of the year

49 Enter the days of the week in which enforcement will be conducted.

Enforcement will take place 7 days per week

50 Enter the time of day in which enforcement will be conducted.

Enforcement will take place all day, with primary focus between the hours of 7am and midight, with attention given to special events that increase vehicle populations.

51 Enter the number of officers assigned during the enforcement period. 2

52 If equipment or supplies are requested to conduct this project, explain below why it is needed and how it will be used.

Requesting one LiDAR for traffic unit to replace a current LiDAR that is nearly 20 years old and showing wear in use.

PROJECT EVALUATION

The MHTC will administratively evaluate this project. Evaluation will be based, at a minimum, upon the following:

1. Law enforcement compliance with state MIBRS, Racial Profiling, and MOCARS reporting requirements (law enforcement contracts only)
2. Timely submission of monthly reimbursement vouchers and appropriate documentation to support reimbursement for expenditures (i.e., personal services, equipment, materials)
3. Timely submission of periodic reports (i.e., monthly, quarterly) as required
4. Timely submission of the Year End Report of activity (due within 30 days after contract completion date)
5. Attaining the Goals set forth in this contract
6. Accomplishing the Objectives established to meet the project Goals, such as:
   - Enforcement activities (planned activities compared with actual activities)
   - Programs (number and success of programs held compared to planned programs, evaluations if available)
   - Training (actual vs. anticipated enrollment, student evaluations of the class, student test scores on course examinations, location of classes, class cancellation information)
   - Equipment purchases (timely purchase of equipment utilized to support and enhance the traffic safety effort; documentation of equipment use and frequency of use)
   - Public awareness activities (media releases, promotion events, or education materials produced or purchased)
   - Other (any other information or material that supports the Objectives)
7. The project will be evaluated by the Highway Safety and Traffic Division through annual crash analysis

Evaluation results will be used to determine:

- The success of this type of activity in general and this particular project specifically;
- Whether similar activities should be supported in the future; and
- Whether grantee will receive funding for future projects

The agency will compare numbers from previous years of enforcement, and response to traffic crashes to identify problem areas. We will evaluate the enforcement to the data to evaluate the project success in lowering crashes.

Additionally, we will work with stakeholders to evaluate success in problem areas by lowering crashes, Improving quality of life and input to improve workable methods

ADDITIONAL FUNDING SOURCES

See attached document labeled "Single Audit Joplin 2024 FINAL.pdf" for the most current data.

BUDGET

Category	Item	Description	Quantity	Unit Cost	Total	Match	Total Requested
Equipment							
	RADAR/LIDAR	LIDAR	1	$2,700.00	$2,700.00	$0.00	**$2,700.00**
					$2,700.00	**$0.00**	**$2,700.00**
Personnel							
	Overtime and/or Fringe	HMV Officer Overtime (about 700 hours)	1	$40,000.00	$40,000.00	$0.00	**$40,000.00**
					$40,000.00	**$0.00**	**$40,000.00**
Training							
	Professional Development	LETSAC Conference	2	$1,000.00	$2,000.00	$0.00	**$2,000.00**
					$2,000.00	**$0.00**	**$2,000.00**
				Total Contract	**$44,700.00**	**$0.00**	**$44,700.00**

ATTACHMENTS

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PDF	PDF Document	Single Audit Joplin 2024 FINAL.pdf	02/10/2026