

REPORT TO THE BOARD OF MAYOR & ALDERMEN

DATE: July 28, 2025

FROM: Dale Lane, Police Chief

SUBJECT: Acceptance of the Tennessee Statewide School Resource Officer (SRO) Program Grant

INTRODUCTION:

The purpose of this agenda item is to request Board of Mayor and Aldermen approval to accept the Tennessee Statewide School Resource Officer Program Grant in the amount of \$675,000.

BACKGROUND:

Following the tragic Covenant School shooting in Nashville that took the lives of six Tennesseans, including three children, Governor Lee and members of the Tennessee General Assembly took further action steps to strengthen school safety. On April 3, 2023, additional actions to strengthen safety at public and private schools across Tennessee were announced. The purpose of the Tennessee Statewide School Resource Officer Program Grant is to provide State funding to local law enforcement entities to place one full-time, POST certified SRO in each K-12 public and public charter school in Tennessee. This is the third year of this grant as the first grant was approved by the BMA on July 24, 2023, and the second grant was approved July 8, 2024.

DISCUSSION:

The Town of Collierville already provides one SRO in every elementary school and middle school, as well as two SROs in the high school. Two additional SROs serve as floaters to backfill absences within the schools. Due to this grant, the State of Tennessee provides \$75,000 for one SRO per school. The state has determined the amount of money that will be provided to the Collierville Police Department is \$675,000 per year, based on nine public schools in Collierville. The Tennessee Department of Safety, who is managing the grant, received and accepted the grant submission from the Collierville Police Department to provide a contract in the amount of \$675,000 for the FY26 budget year.

BUDGET IMPACT:

All salaries associated with the Collierville Police Department's SRO program are appropriated in the police department's FY26 budget. The funds received by the Town in the amount of \$675,000 will be deposited into Town account 110-33312 in accordance with the grant stipulations.

ATTACHMENTS:

[FY25-26 SRO Grant MOU.pdf](#)

PROPOSED MOTION:

To approve the acceptance of the Tennessee Statewide School Resource Officer Program Grant in the amount of \$675,000 from the State of Tennessee.

Board Action: Motion By _____ Seconded By _____

Vote Total	Hall	Jordan	Robbins	Marshall	Stamps	Fraser
Yes						
No						
Abstain						