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COUNTY OF ERIE

MARK C. POLONCARZ
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

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April 16, 2012

Erie County Legislature
92 Franklin Street – 4th Floor
Buffalo, New York 14202

**RE: Central Police Services
2012 NIBIN Workstation Grant**

Dear Honorable Members:

The attached resolution requests authorization to enter into a contract with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services to accept grant funding in the amount of \$180,000.

This project will enable the Central Police Services Forensic Laboratory to upgrade its National Integrated Ballistic Information Network (NIBIN) workstation. Implementation of this funding will enable the CPS Laboratory to obtain critical new instrumentation that will improve its ability to process firearms related evidence.

Should your honorable body require further information, I encourage you to contact the Department of Central Police Services. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Mark C. Poloncarz
Erie County Executive

MCP/cw
Enclosure

cc: John Glascott, Commissioner, Central Police Services

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MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature
From: Central Police Services
Re: 2012 NIBIN Workstation Grant
Date: April 9, 2012

SUMMARY

The attached resolution requests authorization to enter into contract with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services to accept grant funding in the amount of \$180,000.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

This grant is 100% NYS funded and is a one-time expense.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

The grant is new funding provided by NYS. The general purpose of this state grant program is to allow the Laboratory to purchase an upgrade to its NIBIN equipment.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

New York State is providing funding to allow local forensic laboratories to purchase a required equipment update for NIBIN, which is managed by the ATF. This equipment is a firearms database and is used to search and compare recovered firearms ammunition components from crime scenes. The resulting information assists the Firearms Examiners in identifying cartridge cases as being fired from the same weapon. This information is then provided to investigating law enforcement agencies. Because the current equipment will be phased out during the upcoming year, the upgrade is mandatory in order to allow Erie County to continue to remain a member of this program.

CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION

Failure to approve this request would not allow Erie County to accept the New York State funding, resulting in the restriction of the CPS Forensic Laboratory in its ability to process firearms related evidence submissions.

STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

Central Police Services will work with the Division of Budget and Management to implement this request.

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY:
CENTRAL POLICE SERVICES

RE: 2012 NIBIN Workstation Grant

WHEREAS, the Erie County Central Police Services Forensic Laboratory has been awarded a NIBIN Workstation grant by the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services; and

WHEREAS, said funds will enable the Central Police Services Forensic Laboratory to upgrade and enhance its ability to process firearms evidence submissions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby provided for the County Executive to enter into a contract and accept funding in the amount of \$180,000 with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services; and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby provided to establish the grant in the budget of the Department of Central Police Services as follows:

Grant Fund SAP 165
03/01/2012 to 02/28/2013

<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Increase</u>
Account 409000 State Aid	<u>180,000</u>
Total Revenue	\$180,000
<u>Appropriation</u>	
Account 561410 Lab & Tech Equipment	<u>180,000</u>
Total Appropriation	\$180,000

RESOLVED, that the Director of the Budget and Management is hereby authorized to establish and adjust budgets as required to comply with State approved funding levels; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Erie County Executive, the Division of Budget and Management, the Office of the Comptroller and the Department of Central Police Services, attention: Carmen Walling.