

GRANT AGENDA ITEM:

BOARD MEETING DATE:
January 21, 2025

Title: Body Armor for Spring Branch Police Officers

Administration Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the acceptance of \$16,178.62 from the Office of the Governor (OOG).

Authority for this action: Policy CDC (Local) states that any gift with a cost or market value of \$5,000 or more, any gift (e.g. grant) that the potential donor has expressly made conditional upon the district's use for a specified purpose, or any gift a real property shall require Board approval.

Plan addressed: The plan is to purchase 16 bullet-resistant plates, 16 plate carriers, and 16 sets of ceramic body armor to protect day-shift patrol officers if they must respond to an active shooter.

Background: SBISD Grants Department submitted a grant proposal for the SBISD Police Department called "Body Armor for Spring Branch Police Officers" with an end date of 8/31/2025. The Board of Trustees gave Superintendent Jennifer Blaine the power to apply for and accept the grant on behalf of SBISD on April 15, 2024 via a resolution.

Impact of this action: If the grant award is approved, SBISD will implement the project. If the award is not approved, SBISD will evaluate funding options.

Budget information: The cost is \$16,178.62 for 16 bullet-resistant plates, 16 plate carriers, and 16 sets of ceramic body armor. There is no cash match requirement by the Police Department.

Monitoring and reporting timeline: The Chief of Police will oversee the implementation of the goals, objectives and strategies used in this project. The Police Department will annually revisit safety and security plans and update the plans based on needs. The Grants Department will assist the Police Department in tracking and reporting on grant funded outcomes and the budget.

Resource personnel: Annie Wolfe, Ed.D., Associate Superintendent for Academics
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Attachment: None