

Drawbaugh, Bob

From: Jeannie Johnson [jejohnso@dps.state.vt.us]
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2009 3:43 PM
To: Drawbaugh, Bob
Subject: RE: DRE Expenses

I can budget and grant the entire training and conference amount; but if there were an audit, and a finding that it wasn't 100% highway safety benefit, there could be a finding to the DOH to pay back whatever percentage it was determined was non-highway safety related. You let me know what level of funding you want. (And then it will have to pass the NHTSA test)

From: Drawbaugh, Bob [mailto:BDrawba@vdh.state.vt.us]
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2009 3:40 PM
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I have requested some funding from the dept. but, as I said, they've denied the trip for the past two years. Substantial support could be supplemented, I'm pretty confident, at least in terms of covering conference registration and misc. fees e.g. ground transportation & airport parking. The benefit to the GHSP relates to our continued training and updated information regarding the technical aspects of what is currently available and what is anticipated for for breath alcohol testing technology as well as addressing legal issues that arise from breath and blood alcohol testing. Such information helps us to determine how best to use available program funding e.g. DataMaster replacement money; support for FSTs; interpretation of alcohol test results re: impairment e.g. familiarity with current NHTSA projects and supported research. Essentially 75-80% of the conference relates to highway safety A recent conference agenda included : the defense perspective on chemical testing; 'what booze dooz'; a history and current technology of fuel cells for testing; professional certification/accreditation for alcohol testing; data from a surveillance of drugs found in impaired driver samples; 'integrating dwi data for use by the Justice and Highway Safety Communities'; - these are examples from the first two days of the four day conference.

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So, did I get everything? I see your request for the meeting is double what I had already planned on. Does that mean that there is no matching funding available? If that is the case - what are the benefits to GHSP for someone attending? And how much is non-highway-related subject matter?

From: Drawbaugh, Bob [mailto:BDrawba@vdh.state.vt.us]
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Thank you much for looking out for us - much appreciated!!

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Yes, that is correct. But he includes police officer training, the national DRE conference, equipment, sometimes, and callout pay. For the purposes of my budget-building conversation with you, I only included DOH-related expenses. I actually have a meeting with John Flannigan Wednesday, where I hope to flesh out the police portion of the budget. Right now, I'm just worrying about you guys (DOH). I didn't realize you were looking at the bigger picture. Hence, my confusion.

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The \$20,000+ would have been in the budget that Ted Minall brings to the VT DRE Program. Perhaps I have been misunderstanding the source of that money - I thought it came from your program. I was under the impression that our testing fees were being paid out of that budget.

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Again - thanks for your considerations. We are making every effort to make the best use of our resources to staff and equip our program to provide the support needed to address the impaired driving issues on Vermont highways.

Bob

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From: Jeannie Johnson [mailto:jejohnso@dps.state.vt.us]
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From: Drawbaugh, Bob [mailto:BDrawba@vdh.state.vt.us]
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2009 10:34 AM
To: Jeannie Johnson
Cc: Celotti, Stella
Subject: RE: DRE Expenses

Jeanne,

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