

Village Public Safety Officer Equipment**FY2013 Request: \$375,000****Reference No: 51707****AP/AL:** Appropriation**Project Type:** Renewal and Replacement**Category:** Public Protection**Location:** Statewide**House District:** Statewide (HD 1-40)**Impact House District:** Statewide (HD 1-40)**Contact:** Danial Spencer**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2012 - 06/30/2017**Contact Phone:** (907)465-5488**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

This project will provide equipment replacement funding in support of the Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) program. The VPSOs rely upon capital improvement project funding for equipment purchases for day-to-day operations in order to meet the department's mission of public safety and enforcing state laws by protecting lives, property and public peace in rural communities.

Funding:	FY2013	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016	FY2017	FY2018	Total
Gen Fund	\$375,000	\$375,000	\$375,000	\$375,000	\$375,000	\$375,000	\$2,250,000
Total:	\$375,000	\$375,000	\$375,000	\$375,000	\$375,000	\$375,000	\$2,250,000

<input type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - new	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - underway	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On-Going
0% = Minimum State Match % Required	<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Bill		

Operating & Maintenance Costs:

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Project Development:	0	0
Ongoing Operating:	0	0
One-Time Startup:	0	
Totals:	0	0

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

Ch 5, FSSSLA 2011, P96, L14 \$337,500

Project Description/Justification:

This project will provide new and replacement equipment for the Village Public Safety Officers (VPSO).

The Department of Public Safety supports 101 existing VPSOs through grants to non-profit organizations and local governments. Annual funding is needed to provide the VPSOs with basic law enforcement equipment necessary for them to provide service to their communities. Equipment regularly needs replacement due to normal wear and tear.

This funding will purchase new and replacement equipment such as snow machines, all terrain vehicles, tasers, and uniforms.

The VPSOs are first responders in the rural Alaska and this equipment is mission critical.