



OFFICE OF THE  
MAYOR  
CITY OF SAN LUIS

# Resolution

## RESOLUTION NO. 781

**A RESOLUTION OF THE SAN LUIS CITY COUNCIL, PERTAINING TO THE SUBMISSION OF PROJECTS FOR CONSIDERATION IN ARIZONA'S 2009 HIGHWAY SAFETY PLAN.**

**WHEREAS**, the Governor's Office of Highway Safety is seeking proposals from state and local jurisdictions for projects relating to all aspects of highway safety and;

**WHEREAS**, the City of San Luis, through the Police Department, is interested in submitting projects to be considered for funding in the form of reimbursable grants from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the Federal Highway Administration.

**NOW THEREFORE**, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SAN LUIS CITY COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** That approval of the submission of projects for consideration in Arizona's 2009 Highway Safety Plan is granted.

**Section 2.** That Javier Nuño, Captain, is appointed agent for the City of San Luis, to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents and any other necessary or desirable instruments in connection with such grant.

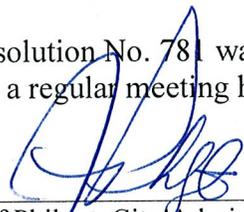
**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the San Luis City Council this 14<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008.

**ATTEST:**

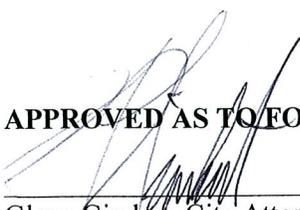
  
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Sonia Cuello, City Clerk (928) 341-8520

  
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Juan Carlos Escamilla, Mayor (928) 341-8520

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and foregoing Resolution No. 781 was duly passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, at a regular meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008 and that a quorum was present thereat.

  
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Jeff Philpot, City Administrator (928) 341-8520

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

  
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Glenn Gimbut, City Attorney (928) 341-8520

**Professional and Technical Personnel**

Project Title: Operation Safe Roads

Project Director Contact Information: Javier Nuno

Project Administrator Contact Information: Ernesto Lugo

County Served

Select a County: Yuma County - 027

Political District Served

Select a Political District Served

U.S. Congress: Congressional District 7

Political District Served cont'd

Arizona Legislative District: Arizona Legislative District 5

### Background/Problem

**General Characteristics** - Description of the applicant agency including, but not limited to, information on population, demographics, topography, and climate.

The San Luis Police Department is composed of 48 employees of whom 34 are certified peace officers. Of these 34 officers only 3 are assigned full-time to the traffic enforcement unit.

The City of San Luis has a population of about 25,000 of which over 75% are old enough to drive. In addition to San Luis residents over 7,200 vehicles cross into the City of San Luis from Mexico on a daily basis. An average of over 8,260 pedestrians also crosses into the City of San Luis from Mexico. Although not every resident of San Luis old enough to drive does so, we estimate that at least 5,500 resident vehicles including agriculture and school buses travel through San Luis streets and over 4,000 local residents walk to work, school or other places.

We have recently assigned 3 officers to pay full-time attention to the enforcement of traffic laws. These officers, however, continue to have the responsibility of responding to any other call as needed.

**Background/Problem cont'd**

**Streets and Highways** - Description and listing of all roadway mileage within the agency's jurisdiction if applicable to the project for which funds are being sought.

The City of San Luis maintains over 95 miles of paved roads and about 15 miles of unpaved or dirt roads. Our Main Street which is also US 95, the only route into Mexico experiences a daily overload of both vehicular and pedestrian traffic, which is overwhelming on the amount of officers patrolling the business district. The new 6 mile stretch of SR 195 will increase the area of responsibility within our jurisdiction.

**Background/Problem cont'd**

**Identify the Problem or Deficiency** - that the proposal intends to correct.

Recently, we have noticed an increase in violations to this state's "aggressive driving" law. On a daily basis our communications center receives many calls from concerned citizens reporting drivers driving in a dangerous manner. Aggressive driving is also becoming one of the most common factors in the cause of accidents within our jurisdiction.

Enforcing this law in marked police vehicles is difficult. The presence of a police vehicle in high traffic areas usually prevents this type of driving practice but once marked police units are no longer present the traffic violations continue.

Even when we are aware of this problem and wish to combat it, this task will continue to be difficult without the proper approach, equipment and an effective community education program.

### Attempts to Solve the Problem

Describe past efforts to resolve the problem, if any, and include reasons why the efforts have been either partially successful or unsuccessful.

Aggressive driving is more likely in situations where drivers feel anonymous, where they can drive as they wish as long as they don't see a "cop car".

The San Luis Police Department on a daily basis deploys officers in an attempt to combat this ever growing problem. As stated before this task is difficult when patrolling or remaining stationary in marked police vehicles.

We are aware that this problem exists but it is difficult to issue citations for these violations with our current equipment. Attempts at combating this problem have not been effective.

### Project Objectives

State the objectives of the project in terms of the goals to be reached in expanding or modifying present activities or creating new programs. Objectives should be:

- a) Stated in measurable terms directly related to the identified problem.
- b) Concise and deal with a specific item.
- c) Realistic, with a reasonable probability of achievement.
- d) Related to a specific time frame.

Our program will have three basic goals which are as follow:

1. Our first goal is to increase by over 28 per month the amount of citations issued for violations of ARS 28-695, the state "aggressive driving" law.
2. Our second goal is to educate our community about this ever growing problem by distributing written information about the definition of this law as well as the consequences for violating it. We will attend community gatherings and events to promote our "aggressive driving" education program.
3. Our last goal will be to reduce the overall number of traffic collisions linked to aggressive driving within our jurisdiction in a year following the funding of this program.

Method of Procedure

I understand that all law enforcement related projects/proposals must include an educational component as described in the method of procedure below.

Estimate total time required for preparation ("gearing up")

Description: Community Education Program on "Aggressive Driving"

Duration: 1 Months

Comments: With prior approval of the GOHS we will produce and have printed information pamphlets that define this law and the consequences of violating it.

**Method of Procedure cont'd**

Explain how you propose to solve the problem and meet the objectives. Provide a description of the work to be done on the project and the method of doing the work. The description should be detailed for proper evaluation. If you do not know how you would solve the problem, say so. It may be possible to provide funds to develop a work plan designed to solve your problem.

Usually a decrease in citations for a certain violation would mean drivers have modified their driving behavior. In our case, our intention will be to increase the amount of citations being issued for ARS 28-695 or the "aggressive driving" law and thus help reduce violations of this law.

If our proposal is funded we purchase an unmarked police unit equipped with speed measuring equipment, audio/visual recording equipment, emergency equipment and any other necessary tools. We will deploy our unmarked police unit to locations where violations of the "aggressive driving" law most commonly occur. With prior approval of the Governor's Office of Highway safety, we will use the funds allocated for a community education program to produce written information pamphlets that will be handed out to drivers during all traffic stops and at other community events.

We will organize special enforcement details by using this unmarked vehicle along with any other resource available to us.

In a period of one year, the San Luis Police Department intends on increasing the amount of citations issued for ARS 28-695 by over 28 per month.

Personnel Services

Personnel Services	Amount
Holiday DUI Task Force:	\$5,000.00
Selective Traffic Enforcement Program:	\$5,000.00
Other Personnel Services:	\$4,100.00
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$14,100.00</b>

Employee Related Expenses

Percentage of Employee Related Expenses: 43%

Employee Related Expenses	Amount
Holiday DUI Task Force:	\$2,150.00
Selective Traffic Enforcement Program:	\$2,150.00
Other Personnel Services:	\$0
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$4,300.00</b>

Travel In-State

## Travel In-State

Description: N/A

	Quantity	Unit Price	Total
Lodging Expenses -	Nights @		\$0
Per Diem Expenses -	Days @		\$0
Registration Fees -	Persons @		\$0
Subtotal:			\$0

Materials and Supplies

Materials and Supplies Description:

	Quantity	Unit Price	Total
1) Informational Pamphlets	2000	\$1.15	\$2,300.00
2) Key Chains	2000	\$0.95	\$1,900.00
3) Pens	2000	\$0.85	\$1,700.00
4)			\$0
5)			\$0
<b>Subtotal:</b>			<b>\$5,900.00</b>

Capital Outlay

NOTE: Fire and EMS agencies requesting extrication equipment must itemize each piece of equipment (spreader, cutter, RAM, Duo Pump, etc...) and cost.

Capital Outlay Description	Quantity	Unit Price	Amount
1) 2009 Dodge Charder	1	\$26,000.00	\$26,000.00
2) Emergency and other equipment (AEP)	1	\$14,300.00	\$14,300.00
3) Watch Guard digital in-car camera	1	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00
4)			\$0
5)			\$0
6)			\$0
7)			\$0
8)			\$0
9)			\$0
10)			\$0
<b>Subtotal:</b>			<b>\$42,700.00</b>

**Law Enforcement Three-Year Traffic Citation and Collision Data**  
**Summary**

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Description	Last Year (2007)	Two Years Ago (2006)	Three Years Ago (2005)
Total Fatalities	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>
Total Injuries	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>
Alcohol-Related Fatalities	0 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
Alcohol-Related Injuries	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
Speed-Related Fatalities	0 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>
Speed-Related Injuries	11 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>
Pedestrian Fatalities	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
Pedestrian Injuries	0 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>
Bicycle Fatalities	0 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>
Bicycle Injuries	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	0 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
Child Restraint Citations	201 <input type="checkbox"/>	123 <input type="checkbox"/>	68 <input type="checkbox"/>
Seat Belt Citations	213 <input type="checkbox"/>	149 <input type="checkbox"/>	47 <input type="checkbox"/>
Speed Citations	2823 <input type="checkbox"/>	1725 <input type="checkbox"/>	1218 <input type="checkbox"/>
Red Light Running Citations	152 <input type="checkbox"/>	88 <input type="checkbox"/>	65 <input type="checkbox"/>
DUI Alcohol Arrests - 21 and over	142 <input type="checkbox"/>	100 <input type="checkbox"/>	87 <input type="checkbox"/>
DUI-Drug Arrest - 21 and over	31 <input type="checkbox"/>	28 <input type="checkbox"/>	11 <input type="checkbox"/>
DUI Alcohol Arrests - Under 21	77 <input type="checkbox"/>	61 <input type="checkbox"/>	32 <input type="checkbox"/>
DUI-Drug Arrest - Under 21	20 <input type="checkbox"/>	18 <input type="checkbox"/>	16 <input type="checkbox"/>
Youth Alcohol Violations - under 21 - Title 4	112 <input type="checkbox"/>	124 <input type="checkbox"/>	76 <input type="checkbox"/>
Youth Alcohol Violations - 21 and over - Title 4	173 <input type="checkbox"/>	165 <input type="checkbox"/>	85 <input type="checkbox"/>

Explanation of not available (N/A) stats: