

NORTHGLENN POLICE DEPARTMENT

CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM #08-11

TO: Honorable Mayor Kathleen M. Novak and City Council Members

FROM: David Allen, Acting City Manager *DA*
Russell L. Van Houten, Chief of Police *RVA*

DATE: September 5, 2008

SUBJECT: CR 08-129 Northglenn Municipal V.A.L.E. Grant Acceptance

RECOMMENDATION:

Attached to this memorandum is a Resolution which, if approved, would accept two grants in the amounts of \$33,012.80 and \$1,125.00 from Northglenn Municipal Victim Assistance and Law Enforcement ("V.A.L.E.") Board. Staff recommends approval of the proposed Resolution.

BACKGROUND:

The Police Department applies for grants from a variety of funding sources to fully fund or supplement our activities, and to purchase needed equipment. The V.A.L.E. Grants associated with this Resolution will fund the following:

1. **\$33,012.80.** The purchase and installation of specialty audio-video-computer (hardware, software and peripherals), tables, chairs and other equipment to make operational our new Multi-media Training and Emergency Operations Center located in the Police Department.

As a Multi-media Training Center, the Center will be available to all City departments and, under certain conditions; it will be available to public groups for classes, meetings and briefings where high-quality audio-video and/or teleconferencing are necessary. The Training Center will seat up to thirty depending on furniture configuration.

As an Emergency Operations Center (EOC), this room will allow Police and other City officials and staff to monitor and control a disaster or special event from one location. The EOC will allow state of the art geographic and video displays, computerized task and equipment assignment and tracking, personnel accountability and cost accounting. This EOC will be able to interface directly with county, state and federal operations centers.

2. **\$1,125.00.** Sending Detective Paul Gesi to a 3-day out-of-state homicide investigation class entitled, Medicolegal Investigation of Death. This class is sponsored by the Wayne State University School of Medicine.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

The 2008 Police Department Budget does not include moneys for this equipment or training. These funds are being transferred within the 2008 General Fund Budget.

STAFF REFERENCE:

If Council members have any comments or questions they may contact Chief Van Houten at 303-450-8864 or by e-mail at rvanhouten@northglenn.org.

SPONSORED BY: MAYOR NOVAK

COUNCILMAN'S RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION NO.

No. CR-129
Series of 2008

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A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING TWO GRANT AWARDS FROM THE NORTHGLENN MUNICIPAL VALE BOARD

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTHGLENN, COLORADO, THAT:

Section 1. The City Council of the City of Northglenn hereby accepts grant awards from the Northglenn Municipal Victim Assistance and Law Enforcement (VALE) Board for two grant applications submitted by the Northglenn Police Department for the following items:

- A. \$ 33,012.80 – Media Center for Training Room
- B. \$ 1,125.00 – Specialized Training

DATED, at Northglenn, Colorado, this _____ day of _____, 2008.

SHERI L. PAIZ
Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

JOHANNA SMALL, CMC
Acting City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

COREY Y. HOFFMANN
City Attorney

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V/S _____ L/E _____

Date Received: _____

New _____ Continuation _____

Application # _____

Date of Board Review _____ Approved _____ Denied _____ Amount Awarded _____

**VICTIM ASSISTANCE & LAW ENFORCEMENT
SHORT FORM GRANT APPLICATION**

City of Northglenn
Municipal VALE Board
Attn: Tammy Sutton, Court Supervisor
P.O. Box 330061
11701 Community Center Drive
Northglenn, CO 80233-8061
303-450-8703

Applicant Agency: Northglenn Police Department-Changes to original in Bold Print

Project Title: Media Center for Training Room

Project Director: Lieutenant Commander Jeremy Sloan

Phone: 303/450-8854 Fax: 303/450-8896

Address: 11701 Community Center Drive
Northglenn, CO 80233

Total amount of VALE funds requested: **\$33,012.80**

Grant duration: August 25th, 2008 to August 25th, 2009

Is this a one-time request for training and/or equipment: Yes

Is this request for a new project? XXX Yes _____ No

Private non-profit: _____ Government Agency: XXX

SECTION A –PROBLEM SOLVING APPROACH

Please briefly describe the problem-solving approach employed for this proposed project. Include problem identification, problem analysis, action plan/response, and evaluation/assessment of the response, along with the anticipated results.

Identified Problem: The Northglenn Police Department has been blessed with a remodel of the current facility. The downstairs portion of the building where the police department sits has been remodeled by in-house staff. The work has taken nearly three years to complete because of limited construction staff and other facility hardships. Nonetheless, we have been very fortunate to have a nicer place to work and are looking forward to accessing the space for more effective service.

Facts: there has been limited funding to remodel the police department. The labor costs have been shouldered by the city budget and the materials, if not used already used ones in place, have been paid for out of an undisclosed fund-meaning they are limited in nature. The police department is currently building a medium sized training/meeting room on the northern portion of the building. The hope is to give the police, victim advocates, CPAAAN and other community groups a place for training and meetings. Unfortunately, there is no funding for proper media, computer, and electronic equipment for the room that would make it useful for such. It was our hope that we would be able to find funding in the current budget, but it appears this will not be the case.

Solution: Our thought was to approach the VALE board for help. We could purchase the needed equipment to make teaching, training and meetings possible. We believe that with the right equipment we could better serve the community by training our people and holding meetings that would benefit the department employees and non-police personnel as well (ex. CPAAAN meetings, citizen training on CPTED, meth-lab, Neighborhood Watch, Business Watch, and other).

Assessment: I believe it would be pretty easy to track the number of formal training classes held in the room where the equipment benefited the users. The department has long wanted to sponsor outside training on various topics and has been unable to do so because of lack of proper training venue. This room, if properly equipped, could serve as a place to do it. Many police related trainers allow free spots in a class if the department will advertise and use their facility for the training. It would be possible to track the number of classes held in the room as well as other meetings that are held through the city room tracking computer program.

Follow Up: I met with the VALE board May 19th, 2008 regarding this request. The board requested that I do some additional research regarding our abilities to conduct web-based training and explore the equipment needed to facilitate this as a viable training room for our internal employees and our external customers. Information Technology Specialist Todd Fields, who is the designated Police Department IT person, and I were able to reseach and provide this additional information.

We have determined that the City of Northglenn current Network has the space available to hold this data and that we could conduct web-based training if we were properly equipped. The Police Department would need to have the ability to conduct conference calling that we do not have the ability to do right now. Additionally, we would need a subscription to a host internet service. We have decided that the existing department video cameras, also purchased by VALE several years ago, could be used to transmit the video into the terminal and through the net.

While conducting an audit of available resources to outfit this need I discovered that there is no computer available at the Police Department to do this. I would respectfully ask that the VALE board purchase a portable lap-top that could be used for this.

I spoke with Lieutenant Commander Ron Osgood-Emergency Operations Manager. He and I discussed how this room was going to be used and designated to be the Emergency Operations Center in the event of an emergency or natural disaster. The room has no computers. These would be needed to be used specifically by the Operations, Finance, Logistics, Planning, and Emergency Operations Center manager/officers during a critical incident. He explained that we would need a total of six laptop computers to effectively run an operation-see attached document.

Chief Van Houten and I spoke walked the new training room (still under construction) and discussed the plan to install the audio equipment. He and I viewed the existing furniture that is to go into the room. It appears to be at least 15 years old. It is very dated and in need of replacement-see photos. There is no money left in the CIP budget for this and he wanted me to respectfully ask that you consider this need. I have attached a State bid on some modest classroom type furniture.

The Northglenn Police Department thanks you for taking the time in considering our request. We look forward to visiting with you at the upcoming VALE boarding meeting. Respectfully,

Lieutenant Commander Jeremy Sloan

SECTION B – BUDGET SUMMARY/FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Television, Projector, DVD, display and accessories-see previously attached media center bid-original request \$15,789.00

Added Items:

Polycom soundstation conference phone \$500.00

One year subscription to webex hosting \$469.00

One year conference call with recording \$120.00

**Dell lap-top computers model 530 240ghz 80 gig hard drive \$12,000.00
(State Bid) \$2,000.00 each-need six computers**

#2 Virco Inc. #8802-Comfort Stacker Chair, upholstered, no arms 40 each \$2,322.00

#2 Virco Inc. #611896-Table, Core-a-Gator series, c-leg, 18"x 96" lightweight folding table, abs plastic top and 3 piece 1-1/2 construction with an abs top, bottom and center piece, aluminum frame stacking bumpers.-8 each \$1,812.80

Total: =\$33,012.80

1. Will the amount requested for this project provide full funding? **YES** If no, please identify other funding sources and amounts requested within the last year. Include pending grant amounts.

Source
See Above

Amount Requested

Amount Received

Applicant Signature

CEO Signature

Co-Applicant Signature

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V/S _____ L/E X

Date Received: 7/15/08

New X Continuation _____

Application # 07-08-02

Date of Board Review 8/25/08 Approved _____ Denied _____ Amount Awarded _____

**VICTIM ASSISTANCE & LAW ENFORCEMENT
SHORT FORM GRANT APPLICATION**

City of Northglenn
Municipal VALE Board
Attn: Tammy Sutton, Court Supervisor
P.O. Box 330061
11701 Community Center Drive
Northglenn, CO 80233-8061
303-450-8703

Applicant Agency: Northglenn Police Department (Detective Paul Gesi)

Project Title: Specialized Training

Project Director: **Detective Paul Gesi**

Phone 303-450-8857 Fax _____

Address 11701 Community Center Drive
Northglenn, CO 80233

Total amount of VALE funds requested: \$1,125.00 (Approx. depending on when approved for booking.)

Grant duration: One time training request.

Is this a one-time request for training and/or equipment: Yes (Training)

Is this request for a new project? XX Yes _____ No

Private non-profit _____ Government Agency XX

SECTION A – PROBLEM SOLVING APPROACH

Please briefly describe the problem-solving approach employed for this proposed project. Include problem identification, problem analysis, action plan/response, and evaluation/assessment of the response, along with the anticipated results.

Please see attached letter to board members.

SECTION B – BUDGET SUMMARY/FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Category/Item	Estimated Cost (please round to the highest whole dollar)
Hotel and Roundtrip airfare	Approximately \$500.00 (minus \$50.00 payback by Detective Gesi for a approximate TOTAL OF 450.00 (Depending on date booked)
Medicolegal Investigation of Death Course	\$495.00
Per Diem	\$180.00
	TOTAL
	\$1,125.00

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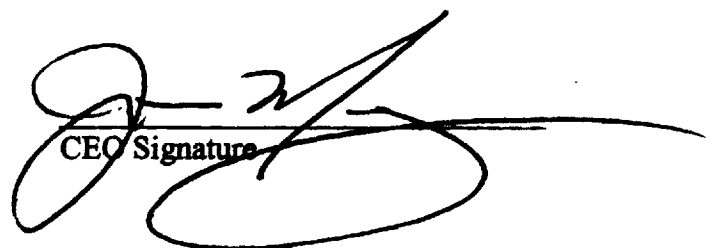
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Applicant Signature



CEO Signature

Co-Applicant Signature



NORTHGLENN POLICE DEPARTMENT
11701 Community Center Dr
P.O. Box 3306
Northglenn, Colorado 80233-86
Phone 303- 450-88
FAX 303- 450-88
TDD 303- 450-87

July 15, 2008

Board Members
Northglenn Victim Assistance and Law Enforcement Board
11701 Community Center Drive
Northglenn, Co 80233

Dear Board members,

The Northglenn Vale has been an asset to me and our agency in the years past. Its generosity has assisted our agency in sending me to more advanced and specialized training that I otherwise would not have been able to receive.

I am aware of the financial assistance made available by the Northglenn Vale and would like to approach the Board to seek financial assistance to attend an Advanced Medicolegal Death Investigation course being sponsored by Wayne State University School of Medicine. The advanced class includes world renowned instructors like Henry Lee, Michael Baden, and Werner Spitz. Current budget restraints in the Northglenn Police Department would prevent me from attending such a school.

I understand that Northglenn Vale might currently have funds available to assist local officers in obtaining such training so I am respectfully requesting the financial assistance from the Northglenn Vale.

I am assigned to crimes against persons, which includes all crimes of violence and homicide. I have been assigned to investigations for 16 years, and take on a lead role being primarily responsible for the investigation of violent crimes against persons.

The advanced training would be an asset to the section, the Department, the community, and of course victims. I am also a member of the Adams County Critical Incident Team, which is comprised of detectives from numerous agencies in the County who investigates officer-involved shootings.

The art of homicide and death investigation requires evolving skills and this course provides education in the most recent techniques.

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The class is being held in Las Vegas, Nevada January 5-7, 2009. The cost of this technical course is \$495.00. The class suggests lodging at the Mandalay Bay Resort, the location of the course, however in a search for more economical locations I could obtain a roundtrip flight and lodging at the Palace Station Hotel, for less than lodging alone at the suggested hotel.

Approximate cost for flight and hotel (depending on when booked) would be approximately 500.00. Perdiem for four days would be \$ 180.00. I would return 50.00 to V.A.L.E. for the cost of one night in the hotel since I would be arriving Saturday.

The total cost would be approximately: 1,125.00.

If you grant this financial assistance, I believe it would greatly benefit me, the Northglenn Police Department, and the victims of such horrific crimes. If you have any questions, please contact me at (303) 450-8857.

Sincerely,

Paul A. Gesi, Detective
Investigation Section
Northglenn Police Department
11701 Community Center Drive
Northglenn, Co 80233

MEDICOLEGAL

INVESTIGATION

OF DEATH

January 5 - 7, 2009

Faculty:

Werner U. Spitz, MD

- Former Chief Medical Examiner, Wayne and Macomb Counties, Michigan
- Professor of Pathology, Wayne State University School of Medicine

Michael Baden, MD

- Director, Medicolegal Investigations Unit, New York State Police
- Fox News Contributor for Forensic Science
- Host of HBO Autopsy Series

Henry Lee, PhD

- Chief Emeritus, Connecticut Forensic Science Laboratory

Daniel Spitz, MD

- Chief Medical Examiner, Macomb & St. Clair Counties, Michigan

Dayle Hinman

- Host, Body of Evidence: From the Case Files of Dayle Hinman on truTV

Joe Navarro, MA, FBI (ret.)

- Consultant to the FBI, Department of State and other intelligence agencies

Bryan Kastelic, Special Agent, Narcotics Bureau

- Division of Criminal Investigation, Wisconsin Department of Justice

Elizabeth Murray, PhD, DABFA

- Forensic Anthropologist and Professor of Biology

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Faculty

Michael Baden, MD

Director, Medicolegal Investigations Unit, New York State Police
Dr. Michael Baden is a Board-certified, forensic pathologist. He was the chairman of the Forensic Pathology Panel of the U.S. Congress Select Committee on Assassinations that investigated the deaths of President John F. Kennedy and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Dr. Baden has been involved as an expert in forensic pathology in many cases and trials of international interest including: Tsar Nicholas, Claus Von Bulow, Marlon Brando's son, O.J. Simpson, Medgar Evers, Kobe Bryant, Robert Blake, the Twin Towers terrorist bombing, and countless others.

Dayle Hinman

Vice President, Farrell and Associates, Inc.
Host, Body of Evidence: From the case files of Dayle Hinman on Court TV
A renowned FBI trained, criminal profiler and homicide investigator for 26 years with the State of Florida, Ms. Hinman has successfully investigated hundreds of crimes by murderers, rapists and sexual offenders including serial killers, Aileen Wuornos, Danny Rolling, Roy Condo, Francisco del Junco and Ted Bundy. She is a court certified expert in Crime Scene Assessment and is a featured speaker and instructor for the National College of District Attorneys, Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, US Department of State and many others. Ms. Hinman is a Fellow of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences and the host of Court TV's Body of Evidence: From the case files of Dayle Hinman.

Henry Lee, PhD

Chief Emeritus, Connecticut Forensic Science Laboratory
Dr. Henry Lee is a legendary investigator known for finding the tiniest clues. Over the past 40 years Dr. Lee has assisted in the investigations of more than 6,000 cases, including war crimes in Bosnia and Croatia, the suicide of President Clinton's former White House attorney Vince Foster, the re-examination of the JFK assassination and the death of JonBenet Ramsey.

Bryan Kastelle

Special Agent, Division of Criminal Investigation, State of Wisconsin
Bryan Kastelle currently serves as a Special Agent at the Department of Justice and a United Medical Trainer. Prior to his work with the State of Wisconsin, he was a Narcotics Investigator with the Brown County Sheriff's Department.

Elizabeth Murray, PhD, DABFA

Dr. Elizabeth Murray is a forensic anthropologist and professor of biology at the College of Mount St. Joseph, in Cincinnati, Ohio. She is one of only approximately 65 practicing board-certified forensic anthropologists in North America. Dr. Murray's experience encompasses field investigation and recovery, as well as laboratory and anthropological analysis of skeletal remains, partially decomposed, fragmentary, damaged and otherwise human remains. As a published author, she has contributed chapters to several textbooks and has served as scientific consultant and on-camera personality on the World Science magazine series produced for the National Geographic Channel. She is a regular cast member on the series Skeleton Stories for the Discovery Health Channel.

Joe Navarro, MA, FBI (ret.)

President, JNForensics, LLC
For 25 years, Joe Navarro worked with the FBI, both as an agent and supervisor in the areas of counterintelligence and counterterrorism. In addition to his duties with the Bureau, Mr. Navarro was the senior criminal profiler in the Tampa Division. He continues to teach advanced interviewing and nonverbal communications for the FBI's Counterterrorism Division and remains a consultant to the FBI, Department of State and other members of the Intelligence Community. He has lectured throughout the United States, South America and Europe.

Daniel Spitz, MD

Chief Medical Examiner, Macomb and St. Clair Counties, Michigan
Clinical Assistant Professor of Pathology, Wayne State University School of Medicine
Dr. Daniel Spitz is the chief Medical Examiner of the Macomb and St. Clair County Medical Examiner Departments in Michigan. He is also an Assistant Professor of pathology at Wayne State University School of Medicine in Detroit. Dr. Spitz received his forensic pathology training at the Miami-Dade Medical Examiner Department in Miami, Florida and is certified by the American Board of Pathology in Anatomic, Clinical and Forensic Pathology. He is author of numerous scientific articles and book chapters and is the editor of two books: Differential Diagnosis in Surgical Pathology and the 4th Edition of Medicolegal Investigation of Death.

Werner Spitz, MD

Consultant, Forensic Pathology and Toxicology
Former Chief Medical Examiner, Wayne and Macomb Counties, Michigan
Professor of Pathology, Wayne State University School of Medicine
Adjunct Professor of Toxicology, University of Windsor, Canada
Dr. Spitz is the author of over 90 scientific publications, author and editor of the authoritative and celebrated textbook, Medicolegal Investigations of Death. He served on the House Committee on Assassinations, investigating the assassination of President John F. Kennedy and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr. Spitz has served as an expert in many national cases including the California Night Stalker, Mary Jo Koepeckne, JonBennet Ramsey, and O. J. Simpson.

Who Should Attend

This program provides valuable training for any individual involved with death investigations: homicide investigators, criminalists, evidence technicians, attorneys, prosecutors, medical examiners, coroners, traffic accident investigators, insurance adjusters, forensic nurses, private investigators, laboratory personnel and criminal justice professionals.

Course Objectives

- Have a better comprehensive overview of death investigation
- Know the significance of patterned injuries for reconstruction of a motor vehicle accident
- Be able to discuss what happened, why it happened and who did it with regard to serial killing
- Be able to define "Killing Spree" and understand what the FBI defines as "Serial"
- Explain the contents of a profile and understand the steps in the profiling process
- Have greater knowledge of when an autopsy is necessary including postmortem changes and time of death
- Have a better understanding of the non-verbals of child abuse and child death investigation
- Understand the current trends in drug/narcotics trafficking
- Understand the role of recruiting informants to aid in death investigations
- Have a better working knowledge of blunt and sharp injuries and injuries by firearms
- Illustrate collaborative measures health care professionals can take to assist the medical examiner with evidence collection and preservation of evidence
- Understand forensic anthropology with relation to crime scene investigation
- Have a greater understanding of sexual assaults and asphyxias

Location

The program will be held at The Mandalay Bay Resort and Casino, 3950 Las Vegas Blvd. South, Las Vegas, Nevada 89119. Telephone 1-877-632-7800 toll-free within the US and Canada, or locally at (702) 632-7777. Website <http://www.mandalaybay.com>

Lodging

Rooms have been reserved for participants at the Mandalay Bay Resort & Casino, Las Vegas. Our special convention rate is \$169.00 per night, single or double occupancy, with an additional charge of \$30.00 for each additional guest, up to (4) guests per room, plus 9% tax. **Each participant staying within the XMLIDT room block will receive a \$20.00 meal credit on both Tuesday and Wednesday applied to their rooms to offset the cost of lunch. You must be staying in the room block to qualify for this meal credit.**

Registration must be received by December 17, 2008. Independent of the group rate, a \$50.00 processing fee (must be in lower case) will be added to the group rate. Housing deadline is December 17, 2008.

Registration Fee

The registration fee for the course is \$495. Organizations paying three or more registrations (at the same time) are allowed a \$45.00 discount for each registrant (i.e., \$450 per registrant). Per day rate is \$225. Fee includes breakfasts, breaks, course materials and processing of educational credits. Payment may be made by purchase order, check, VISA or MasterCard.

Refund Policy

All requests for refunds must be made in writing by December 17, 2008. The registration fee minus a \$50 processing fee will be refunded after the course. After December 17, 2008 a 50 percent refund of the registration fee will be granted to all written requests.

Credit

AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™

"The Wayne State University School of Medicine is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The Wayne State University School of Medicine designates this educational activity for a maximum of 16.75 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)™. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity."

⇒ Nevada P.O.S.T.

Wayne State University has been approved for credit by the State of Nevada Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training for 16.25 hours of continuing education. *Many states including TX, AZ and UT have reciprocal credit for Peace Officers. Please call CME at 313-577-1180 for more information.*

⇒ Nursing Continuing Education

Medicolegal Investigation of Death is approved for 16.25 contact hours of continuing nursing education. This educational activity is provided by The DMC Nursing Continuing Education Unit, which is approved as a provider of continuing nursing education by the Michigan Nurses Association, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Association, an accredited approver by the American Nurses' Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

⇒ Continuing Legal Education

Continuing Legal Education credit has been applied for in Nevada. Many states allow for reciprocal legal credit including California. Please check with CME at the conference or contact the CME office for more information.

⇒ American Board of Medicolegal Death Investigators (ABMDI)

The Accreditation Council of the American Board of Medicolegal Death Investigators, Inc. has reviewed the course content for the Medicolegal Investigation of Death course offered by Wayne State University School of Medicine in Detroit, Michigan. This course has been approved to offer 16.25 hours of continuing education for the American Board of Medicolegal Death Investigators, Inc.

⇒ Continuing Education Board for Emergency Medical Services

Continuing Education Hours have been applied for through the Continuing Education Coordinating Board for Emergency Medical Services (CECBEMS)

⇒ Clinical Legal Nurse Consultants

Clinical Legal Nurse Consultants may submit certificate and brochure to their accrediting body upon completion of the course for up to 16.25 credits of continuing education.