

WATPA Combined Semi-Annual Report

Reporting Period:

Jul-Dec

Year: 2014

Agency: Bellingham Police Department

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Instructions: This report is intended to provide a mechanism for all WATPA grant recipients to report their respective activities and accomplishments on a semi-annual basis. Grant recipients are asked to report grant funded activity during the past 6 months and are required to complete all sections of areas that are pertinent to WATPA funding. Activities of WATPA funded task force sergeants can be captured under task force activities.

Reporting forms are due by the 15th day of January and July of each grant year to ensure consistent reimbursement to grantees.

Task Force Activities

Task force performance

Task force area (describe geographical area that is the focus of the task force):

n/a

Identify the (1) largest City in the task force area:

- Total number of reported stolen vehicles in that city %
- Percentage change of increase or decrease

- Total number of stolen recoveries in that city %
- Percentage change of increase or decrease

Cases initiated by WATPA Detectives

Average number of cases assigned per WATPA detective

Total number of arrests made by task force members

Number of cases referred for prosecution by task force

Number of case referrals attributable to WATPA detective(s)

Number of Title Fraud cases initiated by task force

Total number of Title Fraud cases referred for prosecution

Number attributable to WATPA detective(s)

Number of chop shops identified and/or disrupted (describe)

Number attributable to WATPA detective(s)

Public outreach efforts by task force members (describe and attribute to WATPA detective(s))

Linkages - Referring to your grant application, summarize the problem description and apply the task force efforts with the evaluation methodologies outlined in your grant application, undertaken in the last six months, to provide a status update of the problem (250 words max).

Individual Detective performance

List for each grant funded FTE

FTE Name:

Percentage of work schedule available for task force activities during reporting period %

Amount of time unavailable to task force due to local agency obligations (in-service training, special assignment training/deployment, personal leave, etc.) %

Number of felony auto theft/PSP/title fraud cases initiated by detective

Number of informants developed by detective

Total amount of investigative funds spent by detective \$

Results of investigative fund use (describe)

Date of last investigative fund audit

Summary of casework by detective during past six months (200 words max)

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Prosecution

Individual Prosecutor performance

FTE Name:

Number of hours attributed to CLE (Continuing Legal Education)

Percentage of work schedule available for WATPA prosecution activities %

Number of hours attributable to public outreach or training of others

Number of cases referred for prosecution

Auto Theft (theft/TMVWOP) PSP

Title Fraud Other

Number of cases filed

Auto Theft (theft/TMVWOP) PSP

Title Fraud Other

Number of cases declined

Number of cases taken to trial

Results

Plea bargain Guilty verdict

Swift and certain sentences Not guilty verdict

Convictions – of those sentenced, please report the following

Number sentenced to prison Number sentenced to the County jail

Credit for time served Swift and certain sentences

Alternative sentences

Number of search warrants reviewed Number approved

Number of wire orders reviewed Number approved

Case development assistance (describe significant cases assisted with - 200 words max)

Crime Analyst

Individual Crime Analyst performance

FTE Name:

Describe the audience you supply analytical data to (75 words max)

Percentage of hours attributed to ATPA analytical activities %

Number of hours attributable to outreach or training of others

Number of hours analyst attended training

Number of hours per week spent collaborating with other crime analysts?

Number of publications generated during this six months

Frequency of publications

Number of meetings attended to share data or findings

Is the analyst invited to enforcement or investigative planning/strategy meetings? Y N

Percentage of time spent on tactical crime analysis

Percentage of time spent on strategic crime analysis

Percentage of time spent on administrative crime analysis %

Linkage - Referring to your grant application, summarize the problem description and apply the crime analyst activities with the evaluation methodologies outlined in your grant application, undertaken in the last six months, to provide a status update of the problem (250 words max).

Equipment and Technology

Automated License Plate Readers (ALPR)

Number of WATPA ALPR units purchased for Agency 1

Total days of deployment for each unit over the past six months

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
unknown			

Six Months Activity

Average number of shifts each ALPR is deployed 2

Total number of shifts available for deployment 4

Percentage of shift deployment for each ALPR

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
50 %	%	%	%

Results

Number of stolen vehicles recovered	5
Number of stolen license plates recovered	0
Number of individual arrests attributed to ALPR only	0
Number of warrant arrests	0
Other cases cleared using ALPR data	0

Narrative Describe anecdotes, success stories or challenges experienced in the past six months by the agency with the WATPA funded ALPR (200 words max)

We continue to have technological problems with all of our vehicles. We only have one IT/Computer Technician to serve all divisions of our police department, so her ability to dedicate time to the ALPR is quite limited. Officers are anxious to use the ALPR vehicle, but enthusiasm drops rapidly as technical problems arise. The system still has a 20% misread rate. This seems to be due to the specific font style of Washington State license plates. Still, the system has alerted users to six stolen vehicles which were recovered unoccupied. At this time, we have still not implemented an automated database upload, so the database does not get updated regularly. There is currently a problem with connection to the server from the mobile unit and my own access to the server for reporting and maintenance is lost. I am waiting for our technician to be available to work with me on these issues.

Other Technologies

Describe other WATPA supplied technologies that were in use during the past six months. Supply anecdotes and explain how the use of these technologies affected investigation and/or enforcement efforts in the jurisdiction.

We have an older ALPR system that has been installed on our Retired Seniors Volunteer Program vehicle. These volunteers drive through neighborhoods doing abandoned vehicle and house vacation checks, as well as disabled parking violations in parking lots throughout the city. This ALPR system has been non-functioning since before the last report, and we were awaiting parts to correct this issue still, apparently.

Linkage - Referring to your grant application, summarize the problem description and apply the use of technologies with the evaluation methodologies outlined in your grant application, undertaken in the last six months, to provide a status update of the problem (250 words max).