



FY 2026 Municipal Community Mitigation Fund Grant Application

Application Instructions:

- I. All applications must be received by the Massachusetts Gaming Commission by January 31st, 2025, at 11:59 p.m. to be considered for funding for the FY 2026 grant round.
- II. Each municipality may only submit **ONE** application as a Word Document.
- III. Each project must have its own form within the appropriate category. Forms can be found below as Parts A-E. If there is more than one project in a category, please copy the form. All attachments should directly follow the relevant project form.
- IV. Be sure to fill in all the information requested on the application. Applications that are left incomplete will not be accepted.
- V. All applications must submit a detailed scope of work and timeline for implementation for all projects identified in the application.
- VI. All applications must contain appropriate backup materials that support the application.
- VII. The Municipal Grant Manager will be the person responsible for compiling the information for the quarterly reports. The application must be signed by the municipal administrator or an individual with signatory authority. Submit this completed form as well as any relevant attachments to MGCCMF@Massgaming.gov or as a response to the COMMBUYS BID BD25-1068- 1068C-1068L-107735

For more detailed instructions as well as the full FY 2026 Application Guidelines visit

<https://massgaming.com/about/community-mitigation-fund/>

Municipal Grant Manager Information:
Applicant: Town of Mansfield Police Department
Vendor Code:
Name: Caroline Curtis
Title: Administrative Assistant
Email Address: ccurtis@mansfieldma.com
Telephone: 508-261-7300 x61340
Address: 500A East Street, Mansfield, MA 02048

Grant Budget Summary

Your community's FY 2026 proposed allocation can be found at <https://massgaming.com/about/community-mitigation-fund/>. Use the space below to total all requests by category. Please clarify how many discreet projects your community plans to undertake per category.

Total FY 2026 Allocation:		
Application Totals by Category	# of Projects	Requested Amount
A. Community Planning		
B. Public Safety	3	\$147,680
C. Transportation		
D. Gambling Harm Reduction		
E. Specific Impact		
TOTAL	3	\$147,680

I. Are you requesting a waiver for any program requirement?

Yes

No

II. If yes, you must fill out a CMF Municipal Waiver Form. The waiver form can be found as Appendix E to the RFR on COMMBUYS or online at <https://massgaming.com/about/community-mitigation-fund/forms/>. Applications without a completed waiver form will not be considered for a waiver.

Budget Category Summary

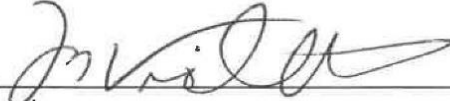
Use the space below to provide an overview of all projects to be covered by this funding. You may add as many items as is pertinent to your application (you can add rows by right clicking on the row and selecting "add row"). Please provide a category, name, brief description, and amount for each item.

Category	Project Name	Description	Amount
A. Community Planning			
B. Public Safety	Traffic Enforcement Vehicle	Purchasing a pick-up truck for our Traffic Officer support education and enforcement of state and federal commercial motor vehicle law with an emphasis on improving safety along Route 106 access to Plainridge Park.	\$50,000
B. Public Safety	Hotel Call Reduction	Overtime for nuanced response to hotels with goal of reducing calls for service and coordinating services	\$57,600

		for repeat participants.	
B. Public Safety	Officer Training	Officers participating in training and overtime coverage.	\$40,080
C. Transportation			
D. Gambling Harm Reduction			
E. Specific Impact			

Applicant Certification

On behalf of the aforementioned applicant, I hereby certify that the funds that are requested in this application will be used solely for the purposes articulated in this application.


Signature:

1/31/2025
Date:

ASST. Town Manager / Finance Director
Name and Title of Signatory:

Part C - Public Safety - The application should include sufficient backup information for the review team to fully understand the project(s). This information could include locus maps, catalog cuts of proposed equipment purchases, quotes, training course syllabus, etc.

Project Name: Mansfield Traffic Enforcement Vehicle	
Please provide below the contact information for the individual managing this aspect of the grant.	
Project Contact:	Additional Project Contact <i>(if applicable)</i>
Name: Caroline Curtis	Name: Philip Seaward
Title: Administrative Assistant	Title: Support Staff Supervisor
Department: Police	Department: Police
Email Address: ccurtis@mansfieldma.com	Email Address: pseaward@mansfieldma.com
Telephone: 508-261-7300 x61340	Telephone: 508-261-7300 x61200
Address: 500A East Street Mansfield, MA 02048	Address: 500A East Street Mansfield, MA 02048
<p>I. Please use the space below to identify the impact of the gaming establishment on your municipality. You may use the impacts identified in the FY 2026 Guidelines relevant to this category. If you are using an impact not identified in the guidelines, please use the space below to identify the impact. Please provide documentation or evidence that gives support for the determination that the operation of the gaming facility caused or is causing the impact (i.e., surveys, data, reports, etc.)</p>	
<p>Since the opening of the Plainridge Park Casino in 2015, there has been a steady increase in traffic in along Route 106 in Mansfield (MassDOT traffic count data attached). As traffic volume increases, so does the likelihood for motor vehicle accidents. Route 106 is also one of the most common areas in town for motor vehicle violations resulting in citations from motor vehicle stops. Compared to other areas, it is very clear that significant resources are required to prevent and respond to crashes and traffic violations along Route 106. After gathering internal data from 2014 through 2024, we were able to determine that, on average, 30% of motor vehicle accidents in Mansfield have occurred on Route 106. While Route 106 is the most direct route through Mansfield to get to Plainridge Park Casino, we are also in very close proximity to Routes 95 and 495, which provides an alternate route to Plainridge.</p> <p>Unlike other casinos, Plainridge Park has very limited public transportation surrounding the casino, making it more likely for patrons to drive themselves. In years following the opening of Plainridge, Mansfield Police made 51 OUI arrests in 2016, with 16% of those incidents occurring on Route 106. Following a sharp decline in traffic-related incidents during 2020, we continue to see annual incidents of OUI on Route 106 account for between 24%-27% off all OUIs between 2021 and 2023.</p> <p>More and more studies are being done to explain the negative impact that gambling and casinos have on everyday traffic. UMASS Amherst recently released a report showing their findings after researching the impact gambling has had in the past decade. One of the more notable statements from this report states, "Negative social and health impacts include an increase in vehicle traffic volume, accidents and impaired driving near the casinos, as well a small increase in certain crimes at and near the casinos and a 'small but significant' statewide increase in illegal gambling." Report Summarizes Findings from a Decade of Unprecedented Gambling Research : UMass Amherst (2024)</p> <p>In past years, with the help of the Mitigation Fund, we have been able to implement traffic equipment such as speed signs and a sign board trailer that we have committed to Route 106. The speeds signs provide data for vehicles coming into town from Easton and Foxborough and alert violators with flashing lights. The sign board,</p>	

positioned in the center of town by the train overpass, alerts violators of their speed and reminds drivers obeying the limit that gambling assistance can be found at the GameSense site. Although we have seen some progress, Route 106 is still an area throughout town that requires more enforcement.

II. Please describe the project in detail and how the proposed project will address the impact indicated above. Please include a breakdown of the proposed scope of work, the scope should be sufficiently detailed to allow the review team to understand the steps required for project completion.

With the help of grant funds to cover part of the cost, we would add a 2024 Chevrolet Silverado to our fleet that is purpose-built to support traffic enforcement, accident reconstruction, and commercial motor vehicle enforcement. This truck would allow our Traffic Officer to be able to always have the equipment needed for accident investigation and DOT inspections and provide more effective and efficient enforcement and education along the impacted Route 106.

In addition to crash investigation, Traffic Officer Kinahan became certified as Federal Motor Carrier (DOT) Inspector, serving as one of only a few municipal officers to hold the certification. Ofc. Kinahan works closely with the Massachusetts State Police Commercial Motor Vehicle Enforcement Unit toward the mission of providing safe highways and roads through education and enforcement. Ofc. Kinahan meets this goal by enforcing traffic and criminal law to promote the safety of the public and reduce crashes to expedite traffic flow and freight movement; inspecting commercial vehicles and drivers to determine compliance with state and federal laws relating to driver qualification, hours of service, driver licensing, vehicle size and weight, and vehicle safety compliance; protecting Mansfield's roadway system and infrastructure through the enforcement of size, weight, and cargo laws; providing training to the motor carrier industry, social groups, law enforcement, and other governmental groups; assisting other law enforcement officers when requested or when the situation dictates; preparing and testifying in court to present the facts surrounding any civil, criminal, or departmental action; and other initiatives including Truckers Against Trafficking.

Mansfield is a member of the Metropolitan Law Enforcement Council (MetroLEC) which is comprised of over 40 cities and towns throughout Norfolk, Bristol, and Middlesex counties. Since our Traffic Officer specializes in accident reconstruction which requires specialized equipment, Traffic Officer Kinahan is available to respond to any of the member communities that require his expertise.

In order to more appropriately provide these services to the community, Officer Kinahan requires a specifically-designed vehicle with storage for rapid deployment of four large scales (weighing nearly 50lbs each) and tools used to ensure commercial vehicles are within regulations. The Department intends to add this vehicle to the fleet. The addition of this vehicle will allow for Officer Kinahan to respond locally and regionally, working with other municipalities and State Police for both motor vehicle enforcement and crash reconstruction.

While preventing crime, crashes, and reducing reckless driving is always the goal, responding to these incidents after they occur is a reality. We were fortunate to receive traffic response equipment from the MGC in 2022 and used the awarded funds to purchase a cargo trailer that allows for storage and streamlined deployment of the equipment when a road closure or lane restriction is required. Currently, only one vehicle in our fleet has the capability of towing the trailer and while this FY26 request for a truck would NOT replace that vehicle, it would provide an alternative option when the frontline vehicle is not available.

Attached is one report from the speed signs installed following the 2022 MGC award showing recent data for Speed Reduction Effectiveness of the signs. The Chauncy Street eastbound sign was effective in reducing speed or more than 50% of vehicles in January 2025. While the speed signs serve as an effective tool in educating

drivers, the Department remains committed to saturation patrol, education, and enforcement methods to make the roadway safe. By supplementing the cost of a Motor Vehicle Enforcement vehicle for our Traffic Officer, the MGC will be supporting this mitigation effort.

The total cost of this project has been quoted at approximately \$93,000. We are seeking \$50,000 in this application to partially fund the project. Outlined in our accompanying waiver application, the Town faces an override vote for FY26, however, we are committed to funding the remainder of this project from our operating budget and improving the safety for everyone who travels Route 106.

Proposed MGC Grant Budget

Please use the following table to outline the project budget. Please include as an attachment any requests for proposals, quotes, or estimates that would quantify the costs associated with the mitigation.

Description of Purchase/Work	Timeline	QTY	Budget
Traffic Enforcement truck	July 2025	1	\$50,000
	TOTAL:	1	\$50,000

Traffic Enforcement vehicle attachments:

AADT 2014- 2023: Chauncy @ 140 <https://mhd.public.m2soft.com>

Graph shows Annual Average Daily Traffic for Chauncy Street (Route 106) at Route 140 for years 2015-2023, showing steady growth from the time the Plainridge Casino opened in 2015 until 2023.

AADT								
Year	AADT	DHV-30	K %	D %	PA	BC	Src	
2018	17,766 ³				16,419 (92%)	1,347 (8%)	Grown from 2017	
2017	17,521 ³				16,803 (96%)	718 (4%)	Grown from 2016	
2016	17,330 ³		8	56	16,620 (96%)	710 (4%)	Grown from 2015	
2015	17,108 ³		8	56	15,809 (92%)	1,299 (8%)	Grown from 2014	
2014	16,922	1,370	8	56	13,849 (82%)	3,072 (18%)		

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VOLUME TREND	
Year	Annual Growth
2023	2%
2022	1%
2021	13%
2020	-18%
2019	0%
2018	1%
2017	1%
2016	1%
2015	1%

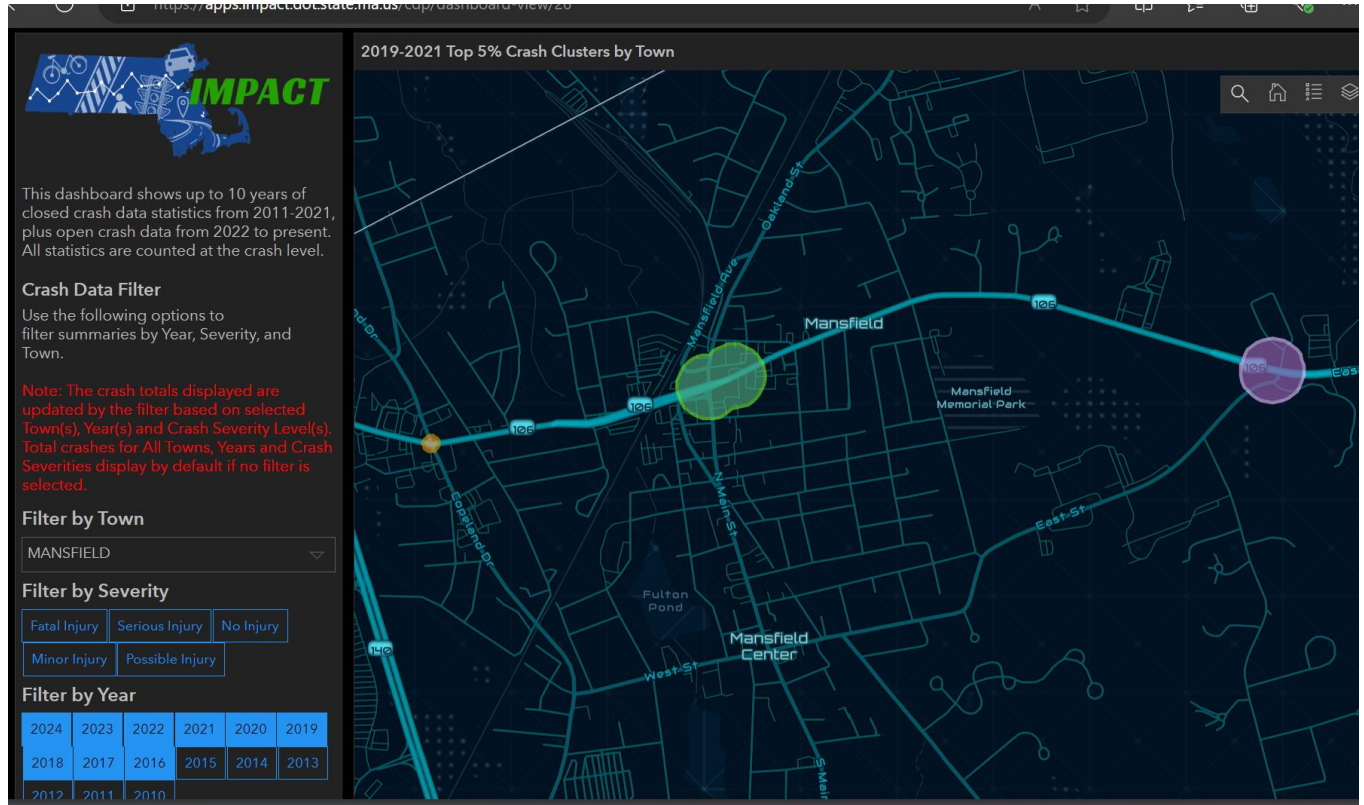
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Year	AADT	DHV-30	K %	D %	PA	BC	Src	
2023	17,184 ³		8	56	16,771 (98%)	413 (2%)	Grown from 2022	
2022	16,798 ³		8	56	15,958 (95%)	840 (5%)	Grown from 2021	
2021	16,550 ³		8	56	15,638 (94%)	912 (6%)	Grown from 2020	
2020	14,698 ³		8	56	13,859 (94%)	839 (6%)	Grown from 2019	
2019	17,837 ³	1,444	8	56	16,481 (92%)	1,356 (8%)	Grown from 2018	

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Route 106 Accidents from internal data:

Year	All Other Accidents	Route 106 Accidents	Percentage on Route 106
2014	496	198	29%
2015	510	210	29%
2016	466	241	34%
2017	501	224	31%
2018	495	231	32%
2019	500	205	29%
2020	289	146	34%
2021	394	167	30%
2022	406	181	31%
2023	431	166	29%
2024	452	168	27%

Map showing Top 5% crash clusters in Mansfield from 2019-2021



Also from <https://apps.impact.dot.state.ma.us/cdp/dashboard-view/26> Top crash locations in Mansfield: three of four are along Route 106.

Top 5% Town Intersection Crash Locations within each Town 2018-2020 based on Equivalent Property Damage Only (EPDO)

<p>MANSFIELD - 286 (EPDO) CHAUNCY STREET (RT: SR106 EB) / COPELAND DRIVE (RT: N5467 NB)</p>
<p>MANSFIELD - 249 (EPDO) ROUTE 140 (RT: SR140 NB) / SCHOOL STREET (RT: N5467 NB)</p>
<p>MANSFIELD - 207 (EPDO) CHAUNCY STREET (RT: SR106 EB) / FORBES BOULEVARD (RT: L191552 NB)</p>
<p>MANSFIELD - 206 (EPDO) ROUTE 140 (RT: SR140 NB) / CHAUNCY STREET (RT: SR106 EB)</p>

Top Crash Locations



Speed Effectiveness Report

Chauncy St, EB

Start: 2025-01-01

End: 2025-01-30

Times: 0:00:00-23:59:59

Medium Risk Threshold: Speed Limit + 10

High Risk Threshold: Speed Limit + 20

Speed Range: 1 to 150

Time View: By Hour (Avg Volumes)

Time	Speed Limit	Sign Mode	Compliant Avg Final Speed	Compliant Change in Speed	Low Risk Avg Final Speed	Low Risk Change in Speed	Medium Risk Avg Final Speed	Medium Risk Change in Speed	High Risk Avg Final Speed	High Risk Change in Speed	% of Vehicles Slowed
0:00	35	Dependent Messages	31.4	-0.5	39.9	-0.7	48.4	-0.5	n/a	n/a	32.5%
1:00	35	Dependent Messages	30.8	-0.7	40.0	-0.9	48.5	-0.6	n/a	n/a	35.2%
2:00	35	Dependent Messages	31.0	-0.7	39.6	-0.7	47.2	-0.4	n/a	n/a	32.3%
3:00	35	Dependent Messages	29.3	-0.9	39.2	-1.1	47.3	-1.0	n/a	n/a	44.4%
4:00	35	Dependent Messages	30.7	-1.6	39.8	-1.2	48.4	-1.1	59.8	-0.7	54.0%
5:00	35	Dependent Messages	31.5	-1.3	39.6	-1.2	47.6	-0.9	58.7	-3.0	52.4%
6:00	35	Dependent Messages	31.4	-1.8	39.0	-1.3	47.9	-0.8	n/a	n/a	58.0%
7:00	35	Dependent Messages	30.9	-1.8	39.0	-1.1	48.0	-0.6	57.0	-1.0	56.7%
8:00	35	Dependent Messages	30.7	-1.7	39.0	-1.0	47.8	-0.7	59.0	0.0	59.4%
9:00	35	Dependent Messages	30.9	-1.6	39.1	-1.1	48.0	-0.7	n/a	n/a	57.1%
10:00	35	Dependent Messages	31.1	-1.6	39.0	-1.2	47.4	-0.7	57.0	-1.0	58.8%
11:00	35	Dependent Messages	30.7	-1.7	39.1	-1.1	47.6	-0.8	62.0	0.0	58.1%
12:00	35	Dependent Messages	30.4	-1.6	39.0	-1.1	47.5	-0.8	56.0	0.0	58.3%
13:00	35	Dependent Messages	30.8	-1.7	39.0	-1.1	47.5	-0.6	n/a	n/a	58.5%
14:00	35	Dependent Messages	30.2	-1.6	39.0	-1.1	47.5	-0.6	n/a	n/a	58.5%
15:00	35	Dependent Messages	30.1	-1.5	38.9	-0.9	47.8	-0.6	n/a	n/a	53.2%
16:00	35	Dependent Messages	31.0	-1.3	38.8	-0.5	47.9	-0.1	58.8	0.0	43.3%
17:00	35	Dependent Messages	29.2	-1.2	38.5	-0.5	47.6	-0.4	57.0	3.0	42.1%
18:00	35	Dependent Messages	31.2	-1.1	38.7	-0.5	47.3	-0.2	72.0	0.0	38.8%
19:00	35	Dependent Messages	31.2	-1.2	38.9	-0.5	47.5	-0.3	57.7	-0.7	36.6%
20:00	35	Dependent Messages	31.6	-1.0	39.1	-0.5	47.6	-0.4	60.0	0.0	33.8%
21:00	35	Dependent Messages	31.6	-0.9	39.2	-0.6	47.9	-0.4	n/a	n/a	32.3%
22:00	35	Dependent Messages	31.2	-0.7	39.4	-0.6	48.7	-0.2	56.8	-2.0	29.3%
23:00	35	Dependent Messages	31.6	-1.0	39.6	-0.7	48.6	-0.4	58.3	-0.7	37.5%



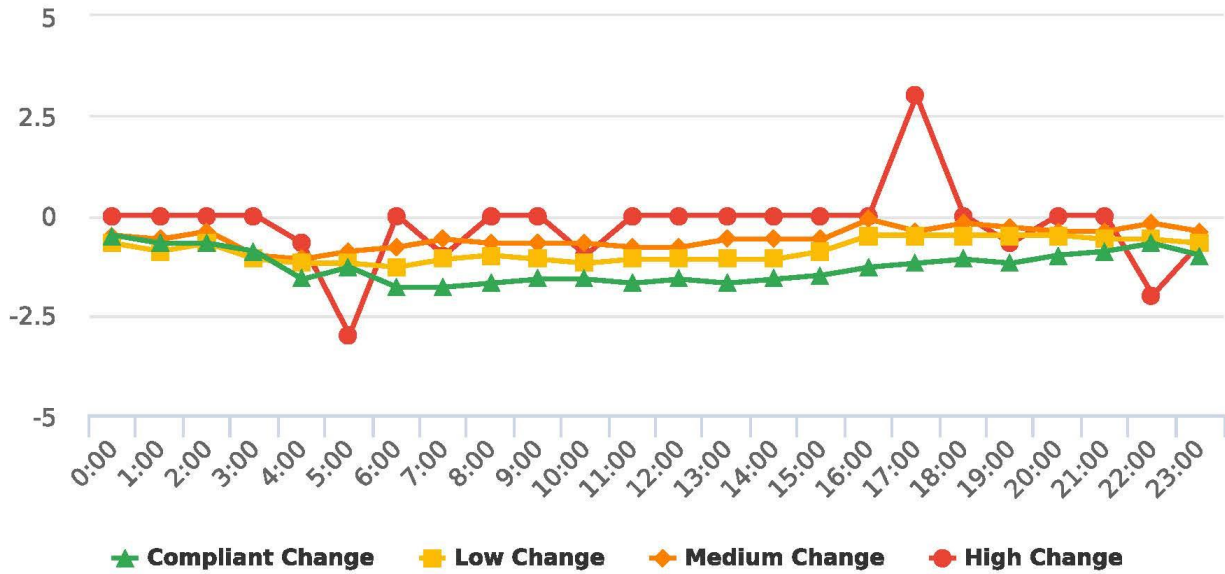
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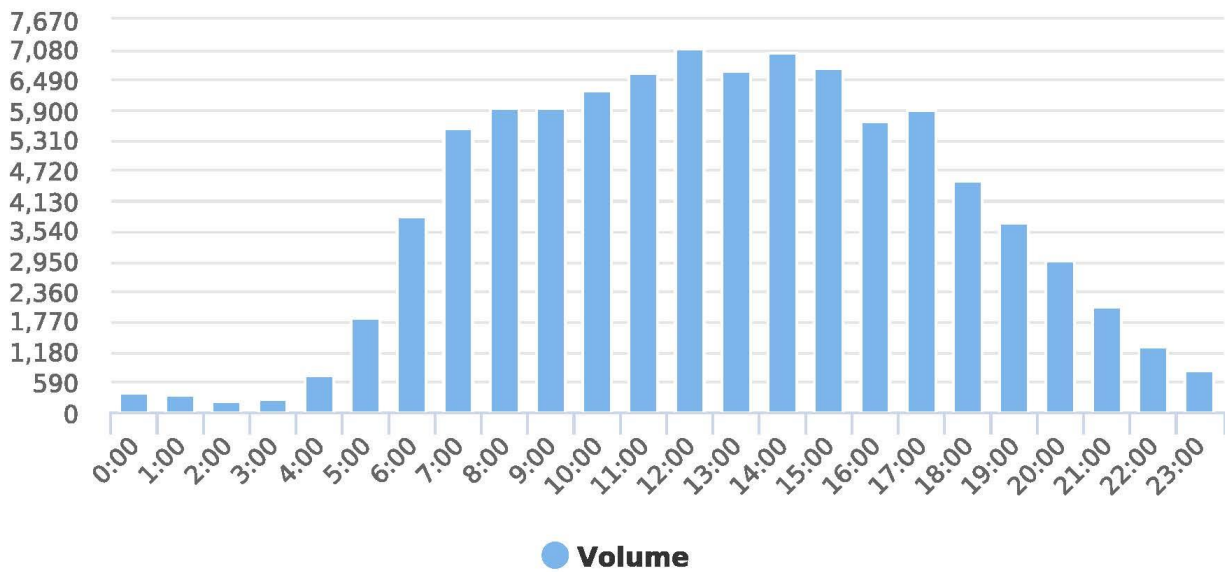
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Changes in Speed by Risk Threshold



Volume by Time (Average)



Upfitted Traffic Enforcement Vehicle Quote



BUDGET Estimate

Date: 1.6.25
 Estimate #:
 Customer ID :

To: Mansfield, MA Police
 Deputy Chief Frank Archer
 508.261.7300
 farcher@mansfieldma.com

Salesperson : Shawn Daoust
 774.556.2548
 SDaoust@BuyCMG.com

Contract(s) : Vehicle : BUDGET / Upfit : BUDGET

Qty	Item #	Description	Unit Price	Line Total
1.00	CK10543	2024 Chevrolet Silverado 4WD Crew Cab WT	\$ 43,996.00	\$ 43,996.00
1.00	L84 / MI2	5.3L EcoTech V8 Gasoline Engine w/ 10 Speed Automatic Transmission	\$ 1,563.10	\$ 1,563.10
1.00	GBA	Exterior Paint - Black	\$ -	\$ -
1.00	AZ3	Front Seat Split Bench 40/20/40	\$ -	\$ -
1.00	H2G	Interior Color : Black Vinyl	\$ -	\$ -
1.00	9C1	Police Pursuit Package	\$ 4,625.60	\$ 4,625.60
1.00		- HD air filter, 220a alternator, power outlets, HD Brakes, 20" steel wheels (black - incl. spare)	\$ -	\$ -
1.00		- AT tires (incl. spare), calibrated speedometer, calibration keyless remote, skid plates, cruise control	\$ -	\$ -
1.00		- autolocking rear differential, 2-speed electronic 4WD, calibration "surveillance", wig-wag & tail flasher	\$ -	\$ -
1.00	Z71	Z71 Off-Road Package	\$ -	\$ -
1.00	Z82	Trailer Package	\$ -	\$ -
1.00	AMF	Remote Keyless Entry Fleet Pkg. (4 ddtl. Key FOBs / 6 total)	\$ 73.50	\$ 73.50
1.00	BCV	Auto Door Locks Disable	\$ 73.50	\$ 73.50
1.00	6E2	Key, Common	\$ 24.50	\$ 24.50
1.00	6N5	Rear Door Interior Window Switches In-Op (can still be controller by driver)	\$ 49.00	\$ 49.00
1.00	6N6	Rear Door Interior Handles In-Op (door can still be opened from the outside)	\$ 67.62	\$ 67.62
1.00	PEB	WT Value Package	\$ 945.70	\$ 945.70
1.00		Option/Package Discount (for PEB)	\$ (445.90)	\$ (445.90)
1.00	PXT	20" x 9" Black Painted Steel Wheels	\$ -	\$ -
1.00	QT5	EZ Lift Power Lock & release tailgate	\$ 147.00	\$ 147.00
1.00	RV5	LPO, Assist Steps - 4" Black - Round	\$ 779.10	\$ 779.10
1.00	UTQ	Alarm, horn content disabled	\$ 73.50	\$ 73.50
1.00	VK3	Front Lic. Plate Bracket	\$ -	\$ -
1.00		Remainder of Std. Factory Equipment for this make/model/trim	\$ -	\$ -
1.00		Graphics - Pkg. "C" (incl. simple reflective chevron on both front & rear bumpers & roof # on wing)	\$ 1,550.00	\$ 1,550.00
1.00	43% (both)	Tint Shade Band & Front Door Glass	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
1.00		VentShade Window Vents	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00
1.00	front	WeatherTech Digital Fit Floor Liners (per row)	\$ 145.00	\$ 145.00
1.00	PAIR	TigerTough Front Seat Cover(s)	\$ 612.00	\$ 612.00
1.00		Westin PB Elite Steel Front PB	\$ 808.00	\$ 808.00
1.00		Westin "Blank" Top Channel	\$ 77.00	\$ 77.00
1.00		Westin "Wire Covers" for PB Elite	\$ 77.00	\$ 77.00
1.00	2 Blue warn	Whelen Pioneer Summit (on PB Shelf) - S30MRB + (2) SUBKT4B *special order* (don't wire in the amber ICC lights)	\$ 1,095.00	\$ 1,095.00
2.00		Whelen Summit 15' Cable - SUCBL15 *special order*	\$ 161.00	\$ 322.00
1.00		Install Front PB Warning Light	\$ 145.00	\$ 145.00
2.00	M4DE	Whelen M4 LED Warning Lights (PB sides)	\$ 324.00	\$ 648.00
2.00	M4FB	M4 Flange - Black	\$ 17.00	\$ 34.00
2.00	TLI2E	Whelen DUO TION LED Warning Lights - fender / mirror / door under mirror area	\$ 214.50	\$ 429.00
2.00	TLI2E	Whelen DUO TION LED Warning Lights - rear bumper step "side facing"	\$ 214.50	\$ 429.00
4.00		Whelen DUO TION LED Warning Lights - just above rear bumper	\$ 214.50	\$ 858.00
4.00	TLI3* MC KC KC MC	- Upgrade TRIO	\$ 16.00	\$ 64.00
4.00	TBD	Whelen Vertex LED Hide-a-ways (each)	\$ 173.00	\$ 692.00
2.00		Whelen 3" round R/W LED Dome Light(s) - console / prisoner light	\$ 128.00	\$ 256.00
2.00	ARG49D / P	Whelen ARGES1 LED Remote Spotlight - bundled with Control Head (ARGCH1) & Veh. Specific Mounting Bracket	\$ 946.00	\$ 1,892.00
2.00	ARGES2	- Upgrade to ARGES2 - adjustable beam worklight "ProFocus"	\$ 88.00	\$ 176.00
1.00		Whelen Inner Edge / CORE Package	\$ 4,294.00	\$ 4,294.00
1.00	XLP - BW	Whelen Front Inner Edge - WCX	\$ -	\$ -
1.00	MA PD Spec.	Whelen Rear Inner Edge - RST10	\$ -	\$ -
1.00	C399	Whelen CORE Siren / Lighting Control System	\$ -	\$ -
1.00	6 / rotary	Whelen Siren/Switch Control Head - CCTL*	\$ -	\$ -
1.00		Whelen SA315* 100w Siren Speaker w/Mounting Bracket	\$ -	\$ -
1.00	SP	Whelen OBD Install Kit for CORE / WCX	\$ 135.00	\$ 135.00
1.00		Whelen CANLITEB PhotoCell (needed on CORE Slicktop Builds)	\$ 95.00	\$ 95.00
1.00	CV2V	Whelen V2V SYNC for CORE	\$ 312.00	\$ 312.00
2.00	CEM16	Whelen WCX Expansion Module(s)	\$ 321.00	\$ 642.00
			\$ -	\$ -

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Project Name: Hotel Call Reduction	
Please provide below the contact information for the individual managing this aspect of the grant.	
Project Contact:	Additional Project Contact <i>(if applicable)</i>
Name: Caroline Curtis	Name: Philip Seaward
Title: Administrative Assistant	Title: Support Staff Supervisor
Department: Police	Department: Police
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<p>In Mansfield, we have three hotels but have noticed the most activity in the Red Roof Inn on Forbes Boulevard and the Envision Hotel (formerly the Holiday Inn) on Hampshire Street which are both in close proximity to the casino. Because these hotels are so close to the casino, they are very convenient for people to stay while coming and going from the Plainridge. There is a significant correlation between casinos and other hospitality-related businesses that can attract different types of crimes. We have specifically noticed more criminal activity related to human trafficking, drug trafficking, disturbances, and assaults.</p> <p>These two hotels are continuing to account for 5% of our calls for service every year. In 2024, the Mansfield Police Department responded to 679 calls for service at the Envision Hotel and 693 calls for service at the Red Roof Inn. While most of these calls for service relate to proactive patrols and community policing checks on the properties, we are responding to a significant amount of Priority 1 (highest) and Priority 2 (medium) calls for service. The Priority 1 and Priority 2 calls have consisted of domestic violence, drug overdoses, disturbances, assaults, mental health emergencies, human trafficking, and prostitution. Since COVID, we have seen an increase in Priority 1 and 2 calls. Most recently, comparing 2023 and 2024, Priority 1 calls have increased 104% at the Envision Hotel, with the majority of these calls being disturbances.</p> <p>Another concerning statistic from the past couple of years we have been able to track is the mental health related calls in town and at the hotels. Internal data shows that at the Red Roof Inn there has been an alarming increase in mental health related calls requiring Section 12 transports. Many studies have been done to explain how gambling can negatively impact someone's mental health. Results from, 'A Longitudinal Study of the Temporal Relation Between Problem Gambling and Mental and Substance Use Disorders Among Young Adults' determined, "In cross-sectional analyses, at-risk or PG (problem gambling) was associated with increased odds of depression, OCD, alcohol dependence, and illegal drug use" (2016). The Department has interacted with individuals who suffer with all of these disorders that have been staying at the hotels within the impacted area.</p>	

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With the Community Mitigation Funds, we received in FY2025 we have been able to conduct overtime shifts focusing on drug-related activity, prostitution and human trafficking at the hotels in town. While we weren't able to get consistent shifts running until the end of December we have seen great progress from the shifts we have already conducted. During these shifts, officers have conducted both high-visibility patrol and low-profile patrol as well. Officers have been able to connect with hotel staff at the beginning of every shift, run license plates on vehicles in the parking lots, and look into suspicious activity as well as interact with repeat participants whether they be an offender or victim.

We hope to continue the same patrols in FY2026. These shifts would consist of high visibility and proactive patrols that don't only focus on crime but also aiding victims of crimes whether they be current or previous. At the beginning of the shift officers will check in with hotel staff to build a relationship with them and also get a sense of any issues that have occurred recently that we should be on the lookout for. While patrolling officers will identify and investigate any criminal or suspicious activity, assist any victims of crimes or persons needing assistance, coordinate services to participants causing calls for services (i.e. mental health issues, substance abuse, domestic violence, etc.), and follow up with internal departmental resources such as the Detectives Division or the Problem Oriented Policing Unit.

While this program is still in its infancy and we don't have much data to support it yet, we have many big plans to continue to grow this program. From using information gathered from these overtime shifts and regular patrol shifts, officers will be able to use that to collaborate with other agencies to execute more elaborate operations. The officers involved in these shifts have been in contact with the State Police, Boston Police's Human Trafficking Unit, and surrounding jurisdictions to work on building joint operations in the near future to catch offenders involved with drugs, human trafficking and sex crimes. With more resources and officers being a part of a taskforce such as this one, it can lead to more successful operations.

In addition to high visibility patrols, the use of low profile, plain clothes officers will also be useful. In consulting our Detective Division, they reported success in utilizing low-profile, plain clothes officers to conduct surveillance to identify and attack drug activity at the hotels in the past. In 2024, through the use of undercover surveillance, Detectives were able to observe drug transactions at the Red Roof Inn, develop a pattern of a fentanyl dealer and ultimately setup an arrest operation (two individuals charged with conspiracy to violate the drug law and fentanyl seized).

Besides drug activity, prostitution and human trafficking have also been noted at the Red Roof Inn and the Envision Hotel. An officer currently working with the Boston Police Departments Human Trafficking Unit received intelligence that a Human Trafficking suspect had been staying at Envision Hotel in October of 2024. They also shared that a Human Trafficking victim was staying at the Envision Hotel, who had a prostitution ad posted online, and was arrested at Envision Hotel in September of 2024 following a reported disturbance at the hotel. The Detective Division was advised of activity consistent with prostitution/human trafficking in December of 2024 at the Red Roof in regards to a woman there renting a room. In an effort to initiate investigations in Human Trafficking and assist the Boston Police Human Trafficking Unit, as well as the State Police High Risk Victims Unit (Human Trafficking), the best approach would be utilizing plainclothes officers to conduct surveillance. A strong correlation is recognized between drug dealing and human trafficking as traffickers will often use drugs as a means of controlling addicted victims.

To continue the program established as a result of the FY25 MGC award, we are requesting \$57,600 calculation based on 40 weeks x 20 hours x \$72 OT average rate.

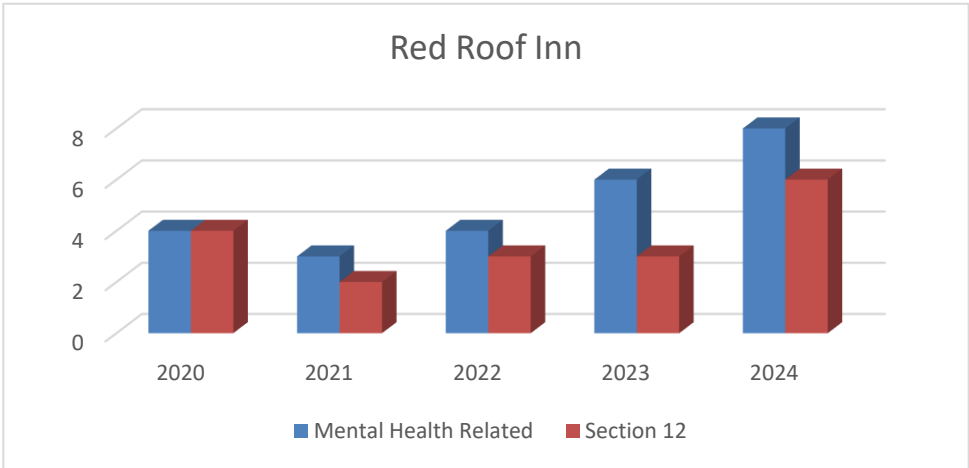
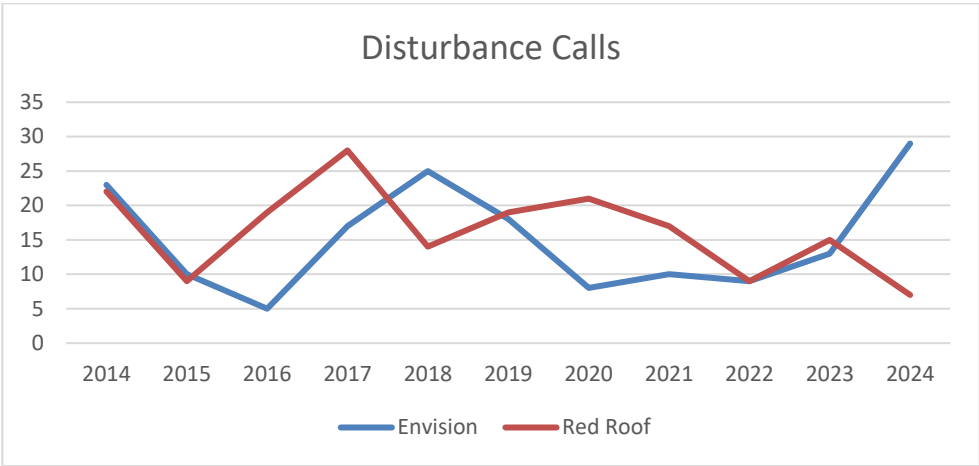
Proposed MGC Grant Budget			
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Description of Purchase/Work	Timeline	QTY	Budget
Hotel Overtime Patrol	October 2025 – June 2026	1	\$57,600
	TOTAL:	1	\$57,600

Envision Hotel	2016	2017	2018	2019*	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Grand Total
1	70	78	331	161	12	13	12	23	47	747
2	8	9	24	28	31	54	62	95	95	406
3	457	563	357	458	535	621	476	496	540	4503
Grand Total	535	650	712	647	578	688	550	614	682	5656

Red Roof Inn	2016	2017	2018	2019*	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Grand Total
1	91	109	329	157	41	26	23	36	21	833
2	15	25	19	36	67	66	42	45	39	354
3	640	625	416	473	841	745	638	614	633	5625
Grand Total	746	759	764	666	949	837	703	695	693	6815

*Switchover in June 2019 to new Records Management System

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Grand Total
Envision Hotel	536	650	712	647	578	688	550	614	682	5,656
Red Roof Inn	746	759	764	666	949	837	703	695	693	6,812
Mansfield All CFS	23,633	24,359	25,285	25,388	25,720	25,644	25,216	24,856	26,767	226,868



Part C- Public Safety - The application should include sufficient backup information for the review team to fully understand the project(s). This information could include locus maps, catalog cuts of proposed equipment purchases, quotes, training course syllabus, etc.

Project Name: Officer Training	
Please provide below the contact information for the individual managing this aspect of the grant.	
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<p>Since the opening of the casino in 2015, that increases the probability of Mansfield Police interacting with patrons coming and going to the casino. Increased visitation and employment due to the Plainridge Park casino has likely increased the interaction between our officers and casino patrons and employees. With our officers having more interactions that is a perfect opportunity for them to get more trained to better prepare them for any interaction.</p>	
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<p>The Mansfield Police Department is constantly looking for training opportunities to provide our officers with more knowledge and skills they can use on everyday patrol. These trainings would include but aren't limited to de-escalation, implicit bias, use of force, human trafficking, sexual assault, drug investigations, money laundering and cybercrime. Our officers are interacting with all diverse groups of people every day whether they be from the casino or not. It is very important for our officers to be equipped with the knowledge and decision making going into any situation to provide the best outcome for everyone involved.</p> <p>Connecting back to our hotel overtime initiative, our officers are seeing issues related to human trafficking, prostitution, and drugs. Many officers working these hotel overtime shifts have expressed interest in attending trainings related to these topics to help have a better understanding of how to investigate these crimes, but also help victims of these crimes as well.</p> <p>Our officers attend training with registration fees that range from no cost to more than \$1,000 for multi-day courses. We estimate average cost of paid training to be \$299 and our goal is to attend 40 training seminars/classes that would be afford all full-time members an opportunity to attend at least one class. Along with the cost of registration, we also need to consider the overtime pay for both the officers that are in training or officers working shift coverage for officers attending training in lieu of shift. These trainings will take place</p>	

all throughout FY2026.

With not every training class having a fee, if we cannot use the planned \$12,000 to pay for classes we would use the remaining amount to cover training overtime and overtime coverage.

40 training seminars/classes x \$300 = 12,000

390 hours overtime/overtime coverage x \$72 OT avg = \$28,080

Proposed MGC Grant Budget

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Police Training/Training Coverage		1	\$40,080
	TOTAL:		