

FY 2025 Regional Agency Mitigation Fund Grant Application

Application Instructions:

- I. All applications <u>must</u> be received by the Massachusetts Gaming Commission by January 31st, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. to be considered for funding for the FY 2025 grant round.
- II. Each Agency may only submit ONE application as a Word Document.
- III. Each project must have its own form within the appropriate category. 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. The application must be signed by the agency's CEO or an individual with signatory authority.
- VI. The Regional Agency Grant is broken into three segments. Please only fill out the section relevant to your application.
 - a. Part A Regional Planning
 - b. Part B Regional Public Safety
 - c. Part C Regional Workforce Development
- VII. Submit this completed form as well as any relevant attachments to MGCCMF@Massgaming.gov or as a response to the COMMBUYS BID- BD24-1068-1068C-1068L-95061.

For more detailed instructions as well as the full FY 2025 Application Guidelines visit https://massgaming.com/about/community-mitigation-fund/

Grant Manager Information:
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Budget Summary

Use the below space 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. Please use the appropriate category below for your agency.

Catego	ory	Project Name	Description	Amount
Α.	Regional Planning			
В.	Public Safety		This application is for funding personnel and electronic hardware & software to combat Human Trafficking and prosecute such crimes.	\$106,829.70
C.	Workforce Development			
			Total Request	\$106,829.70

l.	Are you requesting a waiver for any program requirement?		
	Yes		
	No x		

II. If yes, you must fill out a CMF Regional Agency Waiver Form. The waiver form can be found as Appendix F 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.

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:

Name and Title of Signatory

Date:

Part B-Regional Public Safety

Project Name: Suffolk County District Attorney Public Safety Grant Please provide below the contact information for the individual managing this aspect of the				
grant.				
(if applicable)				
Title: Chief Financial Officer				
y2@mass.gov				
Boston, MA 02114				

I. Please use the space below to identify the impact of the gaming establishment on your region. You may use the impacts identified in the FY 2025 Guidelines relevant to this category. 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., casino related crime statistics, other relevant data, reports, etc.)

The Commission has identified regional public safety related impacts associated with the gaming establishments, which agencies may cite in their applications. There may be other impacts that have not been identified by the Commission that could be eligible for grant funds. If an agency has identified additional impacts to be addressed, the application must identify the impact and provide sufficient evidence that the impact is caused or is associated with a gaming establishment.

Impact: Human Trafficking

The Suffolk County District Attorney's Office (SCDAO) serves the cities and towns of Boston, Chelsea, Revere, and Winthrop, Massachusetts. Under the leadership of District Attorney Kevin Hayden, the office handles approximately 30,000 criminal cases each year. In addition to prosecuting cases, SCDAO offers trauma-informed services and programs to assist victims and witnesses of crime in their recovery, healing, and education of crime prevention and safety issues. Most human trafficking cases in Massachusetts are concentrated in the City of Boston. As the most populous city in Massachusetts and the state's primary transportation hub, Boston is the site of a disproportionate amount of the human trafficking activity that occurs in Massachusetts. In recognition of this, SCDAO launched the Human Trafficking & Exploitation Unit (HTEU) in 2015. The unit was developed with the understanding that the complex nature of human trafficking

cases requires collaborative efforts between our office, law enforcement partners, state agencies, and community-based organizations; each having specific subject matter and technical expertise to meet the various needs of survivors, victims, and their families. Our Human Trafficking and Exploitation unit investigates cases ranging from <u>forced sex trafficking</u> to <u>internet exploitation of minors</u>.

In Suffolk County, most trafficking & exploitation investigations fall into the following categories: exploited minors and high-risk youth, child pornography, exploitation of persons in connection with other gang and narcotics activity, internet-based exploitation, and sex work. In 2023, these categories accounted for approximately 298 Human Trafficking or Sexual Exploitation case investigations. HTEU receives approximately 25 new referrals per month. Each referral of adult and child victim requires review, coordination with law enforcement and collateral agencies involved with the youth/adult, and a firm level of follow up to ensure that potential charges or indictment are properly explored, and that any survivor needs are met. Of referrals received, 90% are for female victims, and approximately two-thirds are for Black and Latina victims. Nearly 75% of the referrals received are for minors, many of which have trauma, are low-income, and system involved.

The SCDAO works closely with the Boston Police Department's Human Trafficking Unit (BPD HTU) and the Massachusetts State Police High-Risk Victims Unit (MSP HRVU), both of which have had a multitude of cases that involved the Encore Casino. For the past few months, BPD HTU has been conducting weekly stings for sex buyers in Charlestown that are connected to the casino. In one case from October 2023, a victim who was being held against her will in an apartment in Roxbury was able to escape and make it to a hospital. When police arrived, she told them she was being forced (driven to and from) to meet up with men for sexual encounters. When asked where this occurred, Encore Casino was one of the locations. She told detectives she was taken there multiple times by the defendant for the forced meetups with different men. The victim was also able to show the detectives the online advertisements the suspect used to traffic her. Online advertising has become one of the most, if not the most, common ways for human trafficking suspects to carry out their crimes.

Since the 2019, the number of human trafficking and exploitation investigations has steadily climbed from 165 (2019) to 298 (2023). Last year, it was the job of five Assistant District Attorneys (ADA) assigned to the Human Trafficking & Exploitation Unit to review those 298 cases. This was accomplished while also presenting cases to the Grand Jury, preparing Discovery for Defense Counsels, and reviewing the copious amount of evidence brought to them by police and SCDAO investigators, while also taking cases to trial. Besides the staffing shortage, one of the main problems the HTEU has while trying to complete their work is secure storage for all the online photographs, advertisements, and what is now called Child Sexual Abuse Material (CSAM). It is unfortunately kept on specific laptops and unsecure external drives which can be a problem if there are unknown individuals around the office or when they need to take their work home to prepare for trial or Grand Jury.

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.

Due to the HTEU's small staff, prosecutors have encountered limitations in their ability to thoroughly investigate and lead a comprehensive response when faced with the increasingly complex nature of these cases.

If approved for funds from the Community Mitigation Grant, this would allow us to add another Assistant District Attorney (ADA) to the Human Trafficking & Exploitation Unit.

The SCDAO would also be able to provide the unit with the essential digital forensic needs and proper tools to prosecuting such highly sensitives cases. This would include the purchase of six secure external drives, so the ADAs would be able to carry their work with them to wherever they may need it (i.e. working from home). This will allow them to prepare for Grand Jury and trials in a location other than their desk at work. The funds would also be used to buy a small safe for each ADA's office where they could store any material given to them by the police as well as discovery that is being prepared to turn over to defense.

Two one year Licenses to Traffic Jam Software would also be acquired for the unit. Traffic Jam is a Human Trafficking specific software that would allow our ADAs and investigators search the internet for sexual advertisements of our victims using facial recognition.

Finally, if awarded these funds, we would like to expand our outreach by creating an informative Human Trafficking brochure that not only explains what Human Trafficking is, but gives important contact information for victims to utilize.

Proposed MGC Grant Budget

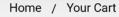
Please use the following table to outline the project budget. Please include as an attachment any requests for proposals, quotes, or estimates that would quantify the costs associated with the mitigation.

Description of Purchase/Work	Timeline	QTY	Budget
HTEU Assistant District Attorney		1	\$88,500
Apricorn 2TB Aegis NVX - Ultra high Speed Ruggedized SSD, USB 3.0 encrypted Drive		6	\$4,434.00
Honeywell 5103 Steel Security Safe-Digital Lock		6	\$1,175.70
Traffic Jam Software (Human Trafficking AI Software)	1 year license	2	\$4,725.00
CellHawk Software (cell phone extraction analyzer)	1 year license	3	\$4,995.00
Human Trafficking Information Brochure	July 2024	2000	\$3,000
	TOTAL:		\$106,829.70



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Traffic Jam Quote for **SUFFOLK COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE**VALID THROUGH SEPTEMBER 24TH, 2023

August 24, 2023

Invoice/Quote for two licenses purchased for the SCDAO Crime Strategies Bureau (CSB): Gang, Narcotics, and Juvenile Units

Crime Strategies Bureau Suffolk County District Attorney Office of DA Kevin Hayden One Bulfinch Place Boston, MA 02114

Dear ,

As per your request, please see the renewal quote below for continued Traffic Jam access.

Service for 12-month period March 1, 2023 through February 29, 2024		
Traffic Jam Subscription		
✓ Traffic Jam access for up to two individual users within Suffolk County DA's Office	\$4,725	

Thank you again for your interest in our technology. Please feel free to reach out with any questions.

Sincerely,

Liz Warren

Account Manager Marinus Analytics, LLC

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Pittsburgh, PA 15212



TRAFFIC JAM

AI SOLUTIONS TO FIGHT HUMAN TRAFFICKING

THE PROBLEM



Every day in the United States, there are over 300,000 new ads selling sex online. Behind many of these are victims of sex trafficking. Foster children and runaways are particularly vulnerable. According to NCMEC, in 2018, 1 in 7 runaways were likely victims of child sex trafficking.

Traffickers maximize technology to exploit victims while evading law enforcement detection.

OUR SOLUTION

Traffic Jam is a suite of analytics tools developed to help save precious investigative time to rescue vulnerable victims by quickly turning big data into actionable intelligence.

> In 2018, Traffic Jam was used to identify an estimated 3,000 victims of sex trafficking.

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- FEATURED TOOLS -

- Trail ensures investigators don't miss any crucial data.
- FaceSearch uses facial recognition to find missing children.
- **SimSearch** is especially useful in cases where a facial profile is not visible.

When I used Traffic Jam I located multiple [pieces of evidence] that I was not able to find in over 8 hours of searching, and Traffic Jam did it in just under 10 seconds.

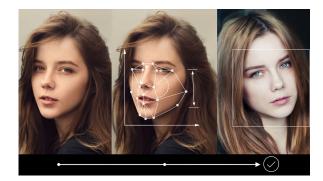
- California Police Department

Traffic Jam does in 30 seconds what used to take me hours to do.

- Montgomery County Sheriff

Traffic Jam saves our analysts weeks of work, making them much more efficient in identifying human trafficking and organized crime networks.

- Arizona Attorney General's Office







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INVOICE

Invoice/Quote for three licenses purchased for the SCDAO Crime Strategies Bureau (CSB): Gang, Narcotics, and Juvenile Units

6900 Dallas Parkway, Suite 825 Plano, Texas 75024-4200

Suffolk County MA District Attorney Invoice #: 408885

Invoice Date: 12/08/2023

Agency ID: 26144-C1

Terms: Due on receipt

Unit: Suffolk County District Attorney ()

Service Dates:		РО	Number:
12/15/2023 - 12/14/2024		24LEADSONLINECSB01	
	Description		Total
CellHawk Subscription - Tier 3 -	Unlimited Storage		\$4,995.00
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