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COMMUNITY  
MITIGATION  
FUND

**2023 Public Safety Grant Application**  
**Bid No. BD-23-1068-1068C-1068L-81256**

All completed applications must be sent by January 31<sup>st</sup> to be considered for funding for the 2023 Grant Round. Please submit this completed form as well as any relevant attachments to [MGCCMF@Massgaming.gov](mailto:MGCCMF@Massgaming.gov).

For more detailed instructions as well as the 2023 Application Guidelines please visit <https://massgaming.com/about/community-mitigation-fund/>

<b>I. Project Summary</b>
<b>Legal Name of Applicant:</b> Wrentham Police Department
<b>Project Name (Please limit to 5 words):</b> Wrentham Traffic management
<b>Amount Requested:</b>
<b>Brief Project Description (approx. 50 words):</b> We are looking to provide a multifaceted approach to our traffic enforcement operations, coupling police operated radar with automated radar equipment.

<b>II. Applicant Contact Information</b>
Please provide below the manager for this grant and any other individuals you would like to be copied on all correspondence.
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<b>Contact II:</b> George Labonte
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### III. Detailed Project Description & Mitigation

- 1) Please describe in detail the impact that is attributed to the operation of a gaming facility. 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).

Plainridge Casino is located at the very border between Wrentham and Plainville on Rt 1. Most all of the traffic that goes to Plainville travels via Rt. 1 and Rt. 495. It would be a very safe estimate to say that at least 50% of the traffic that goes to Plainridge passes through roads in Wrentham. This traffic has resulted in increases in all aspects of traffic, congestion, crashes, disabled motor vehicles, and motor vehicle violations. In addition, several side roads in Wrentham which connect Rt 1 to Rt 140 are also impacted as the advancement of traffic apps such as Ways and Google maps are used for motorist to avoid traffic congestion on highways.

- 2) *(If applicable)* Please explain how this impact was not anticipated in the Applicant's Host or Surrounding Community Agreement.

I was not part of the initial planning and impact discussions when this facility was built, but I am certain that no one anticipated the volumes of traffic issues and the impact the traffic apps might have on side streets.

- 3) Please describe what the Applicant is proposing and how the mitigation request will address the impact indicated.

The increase traffic volume along streets and highways in Wrentham has created a safety concern that the town aims to mitigate through enforcement, education, and engineering with assistance from the grant. The goal of the mitigation effort will focus on maximizing use of message boards, implementation of enforcement efforts, and improving scene safety along the affected roadways by adding traffic delineators and markers as barricades for crashes, disabled motorists, and lane closures.

The town intends to utilize a specifically-outfitted motorcycle and pickup truck to increase a visible police presence on the effected streets and roadways for the purpose of crime prevention, traffic enforcement, and driver education. Signboards will display messages targeting motorists as dictated by analysis of crash and motor vehicle stop and crash data. For example, as crash data supports speed is a factor in the majority of crashes on affected roadways, message boards may be used to display radar readings and flash a warning to drivers of violation speeds. Similarly, crash data indicating red light violations are causing crashes will necessitate messages about attentive driving, more visible police enforcement to deter violators before they enter problem areas will be used to decrease violations that result in crashes.

IV. Scope, Budget, and Timeline	
Applicant:	Vendor Code:
Total Amount Requested:	Estimated Total Project Cost:

**Scope of Work**

Please include below a breakdown of the proposed work. The project scope should be sufficiently detailed to allow the review team to understand the steps required for project completion.

*a. Speed and message boards will immediately be deployed along affected roadways with the highest impact as determined by state and local records and data.*

*b. After receipt of traffic mitigation truck, trailer, equipment, and motorcycle, a coordinated response between our front line supervisors, traffic officers, crime analyst, and commanders will be designed in order to address citizen complaints driven by data analysis of crime and safety concerns along the routes. As a result, our department will work towards a common goal of intensive education and traffic enforcement in the impacted areas.*

*The campaign will include:*

- Emphasis on data-driven placement and times of enforcement*
- Regular command-level review of data from the enforcement and education effort to ensure officers are adhering to non-bias policing practices.*
- Signboard displaying not only speed readings, but other traffic related warnings and reminders, as well as additional assistance information with links to our town website and other gambling related help resources.*

*C. The equipment received from this mitigation request is essential to supporting our effort to address increasing traffic volume without increased safety concerns for our community. In addition to proactive steps we take, the equipment in the requested trailer will ensure scene safety during responses for crashes and disabled motorists.*

**Proposed MGC Grant Budget**

Please use the following table to outline the budget of your project. Include any requests for proposals, quotes, or estimates that would quantify the costs associated with the mitigation as an attachment. In determining the funding request, please round up to the nearest hundred dollars.

Timeline	Description of Purchase/Work	QTY	Budget
	2023 Ford F150 XLT Crew	1	52,371.00
	Lights radio and graphics	1	23,000.00
	SpeedAlert 24 radar message sign	2	44,948.00
	2023 h-D FLHTP	1	32,105.00
	Lights, radio, & graphics	1	4,243.60
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>156667.60</b>

Funding Source	Description of Purchase/Work	QTY	
In Kind Services			
Federal			
State			
Local Match			

**V. Regional Incentive Award**

Are you applying for a Regional Incentive Award?

Yes
  No

**Partner Community Contact-**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Role: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

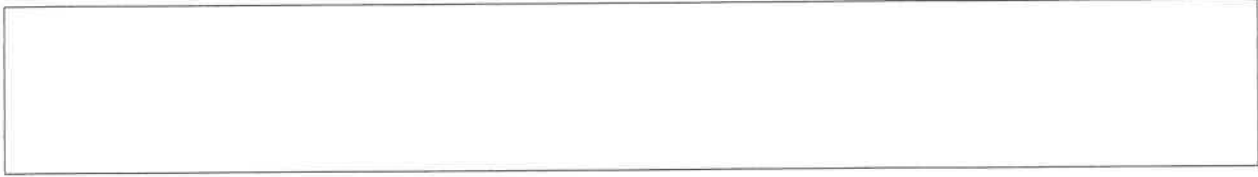
**VI. Waiver**

If you are applying for a waiver, please submit the Waiver Form with your application. The form can be found at [www.massgaming.com/about/community-mitigation-fund/forms/](http://www.massgaming.com/about/community-mitigation-fund/forms/)

Are you applying for a waiver?

Yes
  No

**VII. \_ Please provide a brief description of each attachment.**



**VIII. Applicant Certification**

On behalf of the aforementioned Applicant/municipality/governmental entity I hereby certify that the funds that are requested in this application will be used solely for the purposes articulated in this Application.

*Amy Reel*

Signature of Responsible Municipal  
Official/Governmental Entity

*1/30/2023*

Date:

*Michael J. Robillard*

(print name)

*Lieutenant*

Title: