

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 16, 2009

Mr. WITTMAN. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2847—Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Project Name/Amount: An Achievable Dream, \$600,000

Requested by: Robert J. Wittman (VA–01)

Intended Recipient/Grantee: An Achievable Dream, 10858 Warwick Blvd., Newport News, VA 23601.

Project description and explanation of the request: Support programs at An Achievable Dream Middle and High School. The 1,250 students in grades kindergarten through 12th in 2009 (an increase of 250 over 2008) benefit from An Achievable Dream's support of social, academic and moral curricula proven effective over 16 years of operating the public/private partnership with Newport News Public Schools. This multi-faceted approach has continued to provide the tools needed for underprivileged youth to close the achievement gap. \$375,000 would be used for personnel expenses and \$225,000 would be used for supplies such as uniforms, reading materials, extended day materials, and Saturday school supplies. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

Project Name/Amount: Virginia Center for Policing Innovation, \$300,000

Requested by: Robert J. Wittman (VA–01)

Intended Recipient/Grantee: Virginia Center for Policing Innovation, 413 Stuart Circle, Suite 200, Richmond, VA 23220.

Project description and explanation of the request: VCPI has provided over one quarter of a million training hours to more than 27,000 law enforcement officers in the state of Virginia since 1997 in over 1,000 courses. In recent years, VCPI has specialized in filling training needs that no one else is addressing including leadership, homeland security, crime scene investigation, gangs, human trafficking, drug interdiction, ethics, Spanish language acquisition, advanced court security, advanced search and seizure, cultural diversity, domestic violence, code enforcement, interview and interrogation, anti-terrorism etc. Additionally, VCPI is often turned to for the implementation and coordination of many public safety programs, including automated victim notification systems in Virginia's local and regional jails and court security assessments. VCPI supports training of law enforcement officers that cannot be met by local and state law enforcement agencies. Funding will be used for personnel and internal training (\$165,000), facilitation of external training across the Commonwealth (\$33,000), course supplies (\$30,000), instructor cadre and subject matter experts (\$45,000), operational and administrative expenses (\$27,000). I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

Project Name/Amount: Stafford County Law Enforcement Technology, \$300,000

Requested by: Robert J. Wittman (VA–01)

Intended Recipient/Grantee: Stafford County, 1300 Courthouse Road, Stafford, VA 22555

Project description and explanation of the request: Upgrade the Computer Aided Dispatch system for Stafford County, VA. The CAD is part of the County's state of the art, interoperable communications system. Improve access to the communications system for interdepartmental users and federal and state law enforcement (including Marine Corps Base Quantico) along the I-95 corridor. 100% of the funding will be used to purchase a combination of hardware and software to move from a "text" environment to a "GUI" environment for the CAD. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

Project Name/Amount: Newport News Law Enforcement Technology, \$200,000

Requested by: Robert J. Wittman (VA–01)

Intended Recipient/Grantee: Newport News Police Department, 9710 Jefferson Avenue, Newport News, VA 23607

Project description and explanation of the request: 100% of the funds would be used to procure a Gunshot Location System. Networked sensors would be placed at specific coordinates on buildings and telephone poles to accurately detect and locate the origin of gunshots and weapons events. Data is sent to a central server accessible by law enforcement agencies. In the past year, Newport News dispatched officers to 2007 calls for gunshots. Federal, state and local law enforcement agencies using this technology have seen gunfire-related violent crimes decrease and gunfire-related arrests increase. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

Project Name/Amount: City of Hampton Law Enforcement Technology, \$200,000

Requested by: Robert J. Wittman (VA–01)

Intended Recipient/Grantee: City of Hampton, 22 Lincoln Street, 8th Floor, Hampton, VA 23669

Project description and explanation of the request: The current 911 phone system in the City of Hampton's Emergency Communications Center is technologically out-of-date and due to age and its 24 hour a day duty cycle, it is suffering progressively more frequent failures and support issues. An upgrade will improve capability and delivery of emergency services with the minimum system failure rate. 100% of the funds will be used to procure equipment. During times of crisis, at the local, state and federal levels, the Emergency Communications Phone System will also serve as a key component of local physical infrastructure to maximize the City's ability to receive, process and deliver a coordinated response to a potential disaster scenario. An upgraded Emergency Communications Phone System will help the City of Hampton respond to and coordinate emergency services in the event of a disaster or crisis scenario. The Hampton Roads area is home to many critical national defense assets and military installations. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

Project Name/Amount: Virginia Fisheries Trawl Survey, \$300,000

Requested by: Robert J. Wittman (VA–01)

Intended Recipient/Grantee: Virginia Institute of Marine Science, Route 1208 Greate Road, Gloucester Point, VA 23062

Project description and explanation of the request: Information collected by the Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS) Trawl Survey is used by various agencies, including

NOAA, the National Marine Fisheries Commission and the Commonwealth of VA to effectively manage key fisheries. Proper management of these finfish resources ensures ecological stability of the Bay and supports the economic livelihood of fishery participants. The Virginia Trawl Survey collects and reports critical data on the recruitment, current and future abundance, and general ecological health of the finfish populations in the Chesapeake Bay. Funds will be used for: personnel (\$59,415), vessel (\$46,800), equipment (\$143,500), supplies (\$17,300), and facilities costs (\$32,985). I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ED WHITFIELD

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 16, 2009

Mr. WHITFIELD. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of the FY2010 Commerce, Justice, Science and Department of Homeland Security Appropriations bills.

Requesting Member: Congressman ED WHITFIELD

Bill Number: H.R. 2487

Account: OJP—Byrne Discretionary Grants

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Pennyriple Narcotic Task Force

Address of Requesting Entity: 511 South Main Street, Hopkinsville, KY 42240

Description of Request: The Pennyriple Narcotics Task Force (PNTF) covers a 20-county area. Based in Hopkinsville, Kentucky, it is a law enforcement organization dedicated to fighting the spread of drugs and, in particular, methamphetamine production, trafficking, and abuse. According to the El Paso Intelligence Center (EPIC), Kentucky currently ranks sixth nationally in the number of law enforcement responses to meth-related incidents. These funds (\$500,000) will allow the task force to purchase materials and pay for manpower to educate people in the school systems, health departments, law enforcement agencies, and civic organizations on the dangers of methamphetamine. These funds are vital to eliminating the threat of illegal drugs in Kentucky's First Congressional District. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman ED WHITFIELD

Bill Number: Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Predisaster Mitigation

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Russell County Fiscal Court

Address of Requesting Entity: 410 Monument Square 110, Jamestown, KY 42629

Description of Request: The project will consist of installing outdoor warning sirens to warn the public in the event of a disaster, particularly in the case of a failure of Wolf Creek Dam, which is currently undergoing a major rehabilitation. This funding will help the rural communities be better prepared should a catastrophe happen.