

**City of Carson City
Agenda Report**

Date Submitted: July 26, 2011 **Agenda Date Requested:** August 4, 2011
Time Requested: Consent Agenda

To: Mayor and Supervisors

From: Carson City Sheriff's Office

Subject Title: Action to approve the acceptance of the Office of Criminal Justice Assistance Grant, TRINET Narcotics Task Force, in the amount of \$136,000.00. (Sheriff Furlong)

Staff Summary: The Office of Criminal Justice Assistance administers grant funds to state and local units of government for a wide variety of programs to improve the criminal justice system. This grant provides partial funding for two positions assigned to the Tri-Net Narcotics Task Force. Grant period is 07/01/11-06/30/12.

Type of Action Requested: (check one)

Resolution Ordinance
 Formal Action/Motion Other (Specify)

Does This Action Require A Business Impact Statement: Yes No

Recommended Board Action: I move to approve the acceptance of the Office of Criminal Justice Assistance Grant, TRINET Narcotics Task Force, in the amount of \$136,000.00.

Explanation for Recommended Board Action: The manufacture, cultivation, trafficking, sales and use of illicit narcotics continues to be a significant crisis in our geographical region. The TRINET Narcotics Task Force is a multi-jurisdictional narcotic task force which conducts and supports narcotics related investigations in Carson City, Douglas County and Lyon County.

Applicable Statute, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation: N/A

Fiscal Impact: This grant requires matching funds of \$122,621. This amount is already included in the FY12 Sheriff's Office budget.

Explanation of Impact: See Above

Funding Source: The funds for this project have been obtained through the Office of Criminal Justice Assistance.

Alternatives: No participation in the grant.

Supporting Material: Grant Application

Prepared By: Kathie Heath, Business Manager

Reviewed By: [Signature]
(Department Head)

Date: 7/26/11

[Signature]
(City Manager)

Date: 7/26/11

[Signature]
(District Attorney)

Date: 7/26/11

[Signature]
(Finance Director)

Date: 7/26/11

Board Action Taken:

Motion: _____

1) _____

Aye/Nay

2) _____

(Vote Recorded By)

STATE OF NEVADA
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE

JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG)

Grant Award

SUBGRANTEE:	Carson City Sheriff's Office	PROJECT NUMBER:	11-JAG-05
ADDRESS:	911 E. Musser Street		
	Carson City NV 89701	FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS:	\$ 136,000.00
PROJECT TITLE:	Tri-Net Narcotics Task Force	MATCHING FUNDS:	\$ 0
GRANT PERIOD	July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012	TOTAL:	\$ 136,000.00

APPROVED BUDGET FOR PROJECT

CATEGORY	TOTAL PROJECT COSTS
Personnel	\$ 123,541.00
Consultant/Contractual Services	\$0.00
Travel/Training	\$ 0.00
Supplies/Operating	\$ 4,959.00
Equipment	\$0.00
Confidential Funds	\$ 7,500.00
Total	\$ 136,000.00

This award is subject to the requirements (General and Fiscal Conditions, including General Operating Policies) established by the Office of Criminal Justice Assistance, Nevada Department of Public Safety.

AGENCY APPROVAL

SUB-GRANTEE ACCEPTANCE

Michelle Hamilton, Administrator
Office of Criminal Justice Assistance

Ken Furlong
Carson City Sheriff

Signature of Approving Official

Date

Signature of Approving Official

Date

X *Michelle Hamilton* 6/28/11 X *Ken Furlong* 7/12/11

STATE OF NEVADA
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE

Statement of Subgrant Audit Arrangements

Project Number:	CFDA # 16.738
Name of Agency:	_____
Address:	_____ _____
Telephone:	_____ Fax Number: _____
Financial Manager:	_____
<i>Does your government entity expect to spend an aggregate total of \$500,000 in federal funds in this fiscal year? (Government entity is the entire city, county, state or tribal government)</i>	
YES _____ (continue with form)	NO _____ (stop here & sign at bottom)
Name of Auditor/Firm:	_____
Auditor or Firm Address:	_____
Contact Person	_____ Telephone: _____
<u>Indicate anticipated date audit reports will be sent to OCJA</u>	
Provide date for copy of audited financial statement:	___/___/___
Signed by: _____ (authorized official)	
Title: _____	Date: _____
Form No. NCA-009 Revised 2/09	

RETURN THIS FORM TO
DPS Office of Criminal Justice Assistance
1535 Old Hot Springs Road Ste 10
Carson City, NV 89706

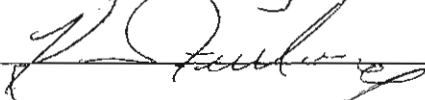


**Office of Criminal Justice Assistance
Program Assurances**

The applicant hereby assures compliance with the following conditions as part of the Notice of Grant Award:

1. A quarterly program report shall be submitted to the Office of Criminal Justice Assistance (OCJA) on the approved form no later than 20 days following the close of each quarter of the grant period. Late reports, unless approved by OCJA, will delay reimbursement. Forms are available at <http://www.ocj.nv.gov/ocj/Forms.htm>. The electronic report for the Bureau of Justice Assistance Performance Measurement Tools (PMT) is also due the 20th day following the close of each quarter.
2. The final program report must be submitted to OCJA no later than 20 days following the end of the grant period. Late reports, unless approved by OCJA, will result in non-payment of final claim.
3. OCJA retains the right to terminate this grant, for cause, at any time before completion of the grant period when it has determined the grantee has failed to comply with the conditions of the grant award.
4. Any publication, invention, patent, photograph, negative, book, drawing, record, document, or other material prepared by the grantee/sub-grantee in the performance of its obligations under this grant **must identify the funding source**. Contact at OCJA for desired wording.
5. The grantee/sub-grantee agrees to indemnify, save and hold the state, its agents and employees harmless from any and all claims, causes of action or liability arising from the performance of this agreement by grantee/sub-grantee or its agents or employees.
6. The grantee/sub-grantee acknowledges and agrees to notify OCJA of the disposition of property or equipment purchased with grant funds within 60 days of disposition or loss.

Name: Ken Furlong Title: Sheriff

Signature:  Date: 7/12/11

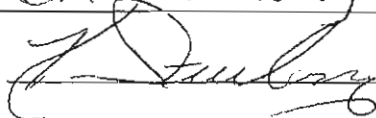
This document must be signed by the Sheriff/ Police Chief/ County Manager/Chief Financial Officer/Tribal Chairman or his/her designee or the state agency director as appropriate.

**Office of Criminal Justice Assistance
Financial Assurances**

The sub-grantee hereby assures compliance with the following conditions as part of the Notice of Grant Award:

1. A monthly financial report shall be submitted to the Office of Criminal Justice Assistance (OCJA) no later than 30 days following the close of each month of the grant period. Financial reports (claims) must be submitted on the approved form available on the OCJA web page <http://www.ocj.nv.gov>.
2. The **final** financial claim form must be submitted to OCJA no later than 25 days following the end of the grant period. Late reports, unless approved by OCJA, will result in non-payment of final claim.
3. Grantee/Sub-grantee understands that, except for extraordinary circumstances handled on a case-by-case basis, requests to transfer funds between budget categories or requests to purchase items not previously authorized, will not be approved. Written approval must be obtained from the OCJA prior to the transfer of funds between budget categories or the expenditure of funds for newly identified items. Requests must be made on the Project Change Request form available on the OCJA web page.
4. During the last 60 days of the grant period, requests to purchase items not previously authorized in the grant award **will not be approved**. Emergency purchases will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Transfer of funds between budget categories during the last 60 days of the grant period expressly to purchase equipment items not previously authorized in the grant award **will not be approved**.
5. Grant revenue and expenditure records must be maintained and made available to OCJA for audit.
6. OCJA retains the right to terminate this grant for cause at any time before completion of the grant period when it has determined the grantee/subgrantee has failed to comply with the conditions of the grant award.
7. Financial management must comply with the requirements of OMB Circulars A-102 or A-110; whichever is applicable to your organization, and which are incorporated into this agreement by reference.
8. All grant expenditures are to be reasonable and allowable in accordance with OMB Circular A-21, A-87, or A-122, whichever is applicable to your organization and which are incorporated into this agreement by reference.

9. Grantee/sub-grantee shall comply with the audit requirements of the Single Audit Act Amendment of 1986 and OMB Circular A-133, which is incorporated into this agreement by reference to include the required submission of the most recent annual independent audit, as prescribed in sections 310 and 315 and section 320, paragraph f.
10. Required documentation for the performance of internal audits must be provided upon OCJA request within 30 days. Grant closeout is contingent upon OCJA audit and resolution of any discrepancies.

Name: Ken Furlong Title: Sheriff
Signature:  Date: 7/12/11

This document must be signed by the County Manager/Chief Financial Officer/Tribal Chairman or his/her designee or the state agency director as appropriate.

Links to all OMB circulars referenced above are available on the OCJA web page at <http://www.ocj.nv.gov> – under Grant and Federal Resources- OMB Circulars.



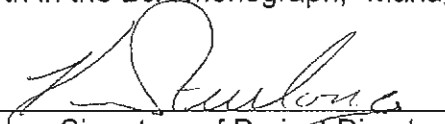
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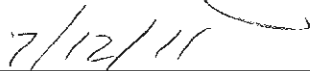
SPECIAL CONDITION
*FOR EXPENDITURE OF
CONFIDENTIAL FUNDS*

AGENCY: Carson City Sheriff's Office
PROJECT TITLE: TriNet Task Force
PROJECT NO: 11-JAG-05

Prior to the expenditure of the **\$ 7,500.00** allocated for confidential funds, I certify that I have read, understand, and agree to abide by all of the conditions pertaining to confidential funds as set forth in the effective edition of the OJP Guideline Manual, "Financial and Administrative Guide for Grants." I will also utilize the procedures set forth in the BJA monograph, "Managing Confidential Funds."



Signature of Project Director



Date



STATE OF NEVADA
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
Office of Criminal Justice Assistance

JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG)
SPECIAL CONDITION

***SPECIAL CONDITION FOR REIMBURSEMENT
OF GRANT EXPENDITURES***

AGENCY: Carson City Sheriff's Office

PROJECT TITLE: TriNet Task Force

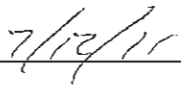
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Due to the possible delay in receiving the JAG funds from the Bureau of Justice Assistance, expenses incurred for the above named project cannot be reimbursed to sub-grantees prior to receipt of funds by the Office of Criminal Justice Assistance (OCJA). This may be as late as November/December 2011. Please be aware that late charges are not reimbursable with federal grant funds.

In order for OCJA to be aware of the program's expenses and progress, the monthly financial reports and quarterly reports will continue to be submitted on their original due dates.



Signature of Project Director



Date

OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE
JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM (JAG)

Title Page (4 points)

- A. Applicant Agency: Carson City Sheriff's Office
- B. Address: 911 E. Musser St.
- C. Project Title: Tri-Net Narcotics Task Force
- D. Project Period: From: 07/01/11 To: 06/30/12
- E. Authorized Purpose Area: (one area only) 1 – Law Enforcement Programs
- F. If your County or City received a direct award, did you apply? Yes
- G. If yes, enter amount \$24,587

H. Project Director:

Name: Ray Saylo Title: Chief Deputy
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E-mail: RSaylo@carson.org

I. Fiscal Officer:

Name: Kathie Heath Title: Business Manager
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Telephone: (775) 887-2500 Fax: (775) 887-2026
E-mail: kheath@ci.carson.org

J. Project Contact Person :

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Address: 911 E. Musser St. City/Zip: Carson City 89701
Telephone: (775) 887-2500 Fax: (775) 887-2016
E-mail: KSandage@carson.org

K. Federal ID Number: 88-6000189

L. DUNS Number: 073787152

M. Has agency registered with the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database?

Yes No

Previous Byrne Funding :

Year	Grant Number	Federal \$ Amount
2010	10-JAG-05	\$160,000
2009	09-JAG-03	\$163,094
2008	08-JAG-01	\$91,000
2007	07-JAG-03	\$115,854

Budget Summary:

	Federal \$ Requested
Personnel	\$123,541
Consultant/Contract	\$0
Training	\$0
Supplies/Operating	\$4,959
Equipment	
Confidential Funds	\$7,500
TOTAL FEDERAL \$ REQUESTED	\$136,000

Certification:

The signature of the authorized official of the agency making application hereby agrees that the project described in this application meets all the requirements of the applicable governing legislation as indicated by the Certifications sections attached; that all the information contained in the application is correct; that there has been appropriate coordination with affected agencies and agrees to comply with all provisions of the applicable grant program **including the enhanced reporting requirements**. The applicant further understands and agrees that any subgrant award received as a result of this application shall be subject additionally to the grant conditions set forth in the Statement of Grant Award, and the current applicable OCJA Project Director's Manual.

Name: Ken Furlong Telephone (775) 887-2500
 Title: Sheriff Fax (775) 887-2026
 Signature  Date 7/14/11

Part 2. GENERAL OVERVIEW

The Tri-NET Narcotic Task Force was created in February, 1988 with assistance from the Edward Byrne Memorial Grant Funds. Tri-NET has continued to grow and exist while utilizing the original Byrne Grant Funds and is now being funded by the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Funds.

Tri-NET is a Multi-Jurisdictional Narcotic Task Force which consists of the Nevada Department of Public Safety (DPS) - Investigation Division, Carson City Sheriff's Office, Douglas County Sheriff's Office, Lyon County Sheriff's Office, and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA).

Tri-NET conducts investigations and operations focused on enforcement activities in the member agency counties of Douglas, Carson and Lyon. These three (3) counties cover a geographic area of approximately 3,146 square miles and have a combined static population of approximately 200,000 people.

In an effort to conduct quality, long term, mid to upper level narcotic related investigations, Tri-NET is currently being staffed with the following personnel: one (1) Nevada DPS Sergeant, three (3) Nevada DPS Detectives, one (1) Lyon County Sheriff's Deputy, one (1) Douglas County Sheriff's Detective, two (2) Carson City Sheriff's Deputies, one (1) DEA Special Agent, and two (2) Nevada DPS Administrative Assistants. As of January 01, 2011 Tri-NET lost one (1) Nevada National Guard Tech Sergeant operating through the Nevada Office of the Military Counter Drug Operation program due to federal funding.

Due to the Task Force environment with investigators rotating in and out from the agencies involved several personnel changes have taken place with others pending. The current experience and training base for narcotic investigations in Tri-NET ranges from less than one (1) year up to seasoned officers with over fourteen (14) years of narcotic investigative experience. Tri-NET anticipates the rotation of one (1) seasoned narcotic investigator and two (2) investigators with two (2) years experience. Their replacements will undergo required in house and out sourced training to be brought up to speed to meet the demands and become capable of maintaining their own work load.

Methamphetamine continues to be the drug of choice and flows through this Task Force's area of responsibility on a non-stop basis. Due to current pressures and mandates placed on the precursor chemicals required to manufacture Methamphetamine by the United States and Mexico governments, the price and demand for Methamphetamine has risen. The use and sales of Heroin have risen in the Tri-NET area of operation. The increased availability of the highly addictive drug has translated into a new culture of Opiate addicted young people ranging from fourteen (14) years to their mid twenties. As a result the tri-county area has seen approximately fourteen (14) Heroin/Opiate related overdoses in the past three (3) years causing great concern for the safety of our areas youth.

Tri-NET has seen a substantial increase in the use and availability of Heroin and designer drugs, i.e., Ecstasy, MDMA, LSD and "Mollies". Mexican Drug Trafficking Organizations (MDTO's) have been identified as those entities involved in the majority of the sales and distribution of these and most illegal or illicit drugs in Northern Nevada. MDTO's have proven difficult to completely dismantle because of the complex layers that the MDTO's have constructed as a means to protect the "Leaders". The MDTO's have also organized and assimilated well organized groups or gangs, i.e., MS-13, Surenos, Nortenos and the Mexican Mafia, into their distribution and resource chain. Tri-NET has, and continues to focus its investigative efforts and resources to locate, identify, disrupt, dismantle and terminate the organized operations of the MDTO's.

Tri-NET has become increasingly involved with investigations involving the diversion, sales, and fraudulent obtaining of pharmaceutical drugs (namely Opiates). These cases are completed in coordination and cooperation with the State of Nevada Pharmacy Board. Some of these investigations have lead to the arrest

and prosecution of persons, patients, and medical staff who have been involved in the violation of prescription related drug laws documented under Nevada Revised Statute's 453 and 454.

Tri-NET continues to maintain communication with area feed store operators who stock and sell Methylsulfonylmethane, commonly known as "MSM." MSM is widely used for joint repair and therapy in equine, livestock and humans as well as being used in the cutting and manufacturing of Methamphetamine. One of the local owners continues to call Tri-NET when subjects purchase one (1) to ten (10) pound quantities of MSM and do not appear to be ranchers or individuals involved with livestock. The concern that store owners had was that subjects were buying the MSM in one to ten pound increments several times a week. MSM is used by Drug Trafficking Organizations and local dealers to "cut" or increase the amount of Methamphetamine it has available and sells in our communities. A pound of MSM can be added to a pound of Methamphetamine and yield two pounds of product which is then sold by street dealers. Tri-NET has been working hard to identify subjects involved in the purchase of the MSM and locate venues which they maintain to "cut", distribute and stash their suspected Methamphetamine.

In April of 2010 Tri-NET initiated a case which resulted in the identification of an individual in Lyon County who was the leader of a local Drug Trafficking Organization (DTO) as well as a prior Methamphetamine cook. The case led to a six (6) month long investigation culminating in a Title-III (wire tap). As a result Tri-NET joined forces with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Douglas County Sheriff's Office (DCSO) Street Enforcement Team (SET), and the Lyon County Sheriff's Office (LCSO). Via surveillance operations and the Title-III Tri-NET documented that connection between the local DTO and a Mexican National Drug Trafficking Organization (MNDTO) distributing and manufacturing Methamphetamine out of the Mexican port city of Manzanillo. It was learned that the MNDTO would travel to South Africa to secure delivery of Pseudoephedrine due to the current restrictions on it in Mexico. It was also confirmed that South Africa would obtain the Pseudoephedrine from Asia then ship it to Mexico. The investigation ended in October of 2010 resulting in the execution of six (6) search warrants, the arrest of ten (10) people, and the seizure of approximately four (4) pounds of Methamphetamine, four (4) ounces of Ephedrine, two (2) ounces of Marijuana, and the seizure of four (4) vehicles, two (2) motorcycles, \$16,000.00 in U.S. currency, and two (2) firearms. To date the investigation has led to at least two (2) additional investigations in the Carson City area resulting in two (2) arrests and the seizure of approximately eighty three (83) grams of Methamphetamine and the identification of a Cocaine source out of California.

In April of 2010 Tri-NET and the DEA completed a joint investigation in Carson City involving a Mexican National who would transport Methamphetamine from the Sacramento area to Carson City. Surveillance operations identified the location the individual resided at along with his co-conspirators. Two (2) search warrants and one (1) knock and talk operation were conducted on April 30, 2010 resulting in four (4) arrests and the seizure of approximately 478 grams of Methamphetamine and \$2,000.00 U.S. currency.

On November 18, 2010 Tri-NET, the Douglas County Sheriff's Office Street Enforcement Team (SET), and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (BATF) completed an investigation on a Mexican National operating out of South Lake Tahoe. The subject would deliver Methamphetamine to the Nevada side of South Lake Tahoe from California. The subject was arrested after a controlled delivery was completed and approximately eight hundred and ninety (890) grams (2 pounds) of Methamphetamine was recovered.

Each of the above cases demonstrates Tri-NET's ability to conduct complex, lengthy, multijurisdictional cases in various areas of operation with cooperation from, and assistance to local, state, and federal agencies. Tri-NET is a Task Force dedicated to the education, prevention, identification and eradication of illegal and illicit drugs, Mexican Drug Cartels and Mexican Drug Trafficking Organizations within the State of Nevada with primary focus in the counties of Carson, Douglas and Lyon.

Part 3. PROBLEM STATEMENT

Methamphetamine History and DEA Lab Analysis

The overall mission of the Tri-NET Task Force remains the same; locate, identify, arrest, and ultimately aid in the prosecution of those individuals and organizations responsible for the manufacturing, trafficking, sales, and use of illegal and prescription controlled substances.

Methamphetamine has been evolving since it was first produced in the late 19th Century. Originally produced by chemists to combat depression and fight obesity, Methamphetamine was found to have properties that helped to combat fighter fatigue and was then used during World War I and II. After the government realized that Methamphetamine abuse was becoming a problem, it was banned as a prescribed drug. In the early 1980's, Methamphetamine made a comeback when Outlaw Motorcycle Gangs (OMG's) began manufacturing the product in Clandestine Laboratories in powder form. This early form of powder Methamphetamine, while highly addictive, only had a purity level of about 15 – 50%. This Methamphetamine was produced using the precursor Phenyl-2-propanone (P2P). Methamphetamine production turned to the use of Ephedrine and pseudoephedrine in its production creating what was referred to on the street as "Ice" or "Crystal" is even more addictive, with purity levels ranging from 60 – 99%. Methamphetamine seized in our geographical region over the past few years has been sent to the Drug Enforcement Administration's (DEA) Regional Drug Laboratory for quantitative analysis and has been scientifically proven to be in the highest purity brackets (93 – 99% pure). Due to current restriction of pseudoephedrine and/or Ephedrine in Mexico current intelligence indicates that the DTO's are returning to the P2P method. Even though the purity may decrease the current price remains the same.

Problem Overview/Analysis:

The Department of Public Safety – Investigation Division supervises seven multi-agency Task Forces statewide whose primary missions are to conduct criminal investigations relating to any violation(s) of illegal, illicit and prescription Controlled Substances State Statutes. These Task Forces consist of Tri-NET (Douglas County, Lyon County and Carson City), Pharm-NET (Pharmaceutical Task Force in Clark County), and Task Forces located in Winnemucca, Fallon, Ely, Mesquite and Elko. In addition, the Investigation Division has Detectives assigned to Special or Street Enforcement Teams, the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Reno Field Office and an All Threats All Crimes (ATAC) Task Force which is located in Washoe County. Tri-NET remains committed to the continued cooperation with these and any other law enforcement entity in the purpose of drug enforcement and all it entails.

During the calendar year of 2010, the Tri-NET Task Force reported the following drug and non-drug purchases and seizures. 216.5 grams of Marijuana purchased and 375.6 grams seized, 346 Marijuana plants seized, 1 outdoor Marijuana grow and 3 indoor, 1 Methamphetamine lab, 503 grams of Methamphetamine purchased (1.1 pounds) and 3,042.7 grams seized (6.7 pounds with a street value of \$354,570.00), 154.7 grams of Cocaine seized, 6.0 grams of Heroin purchased and 4.6 grams seized, 1.2 grams of Psilocybin Mushrooms purchased and 40.6 grams seized, 11.7 grams of Ketamine seized, 10 grams of Ecstasy (MDMA) seized, 4.2 grams of Ephedrine seized, 40 dosage units of Oxycontin purchased, 150 dosage units of other RX medications purchased, 63 arrests, 6 vehicles seized, 66 cases opened, 24 Knock and talk operations conducted, 2 Child Protective services assist, 24 search warrants executed, 10 weapons seized, 20 other agency assists, and \$34,555.43 seized.

Since the inception of the Tri-NET Narcotic Task Force in 1988 through December 31, 2010, the Task Force has opened 2,874 cases. The Task Force seized 2,288,900.24 grams (6,363 pounds) of Marijuana, 4,315 Marijuana plants, 97,143.88 grams (213.9 pounds) of Methamphetamine, 10,860.79 grams (23.92 pounds) of Cocaine, 646.49 grams (1.44 pounds) of Heroin, 518.99 grams (1.43 pounds) of Hallucinogenic Mushrooms,

643.2 dosage units/ grams of LSD, 4,631.80 dosage units/ grams of Ecstasy, 643.2 dosage units/ grams of Lysergic Acid (LSD) and 778.8 dosage units/ grams of prescription drugs; which include, but is not limited too; Oxycotin, Hydrocodone, Vicodin, Xanax, Steriods, etc..

Tri-NET has dismantled 39 clandestine Methamphetamine labs, made 2,600 arrests, executed 192 search warrants, seized over \$868,480.13 in cash and 150 vehicles since 1988.

Part 4. GOALS & OBJECTIVES

In the prior grant year, Tri-NET identified three primary goals to accomplishing the overall mission described above. For the current grant year, Tri-NET will retain the vision of these established goals. The prior year's goals summarized below for incorporation into this grant report.

The first goal for any Narcotic Task Force should be the ability to effectively and efficiently communicate with other Law Enforcement entities in the area. This is essential to conducting effective investigations leading to the arrest and prosecution of individuals involved in the illicit sales, trafficking, and manufacture of controlled substances.

Goal #1: To maintain the productive exchange of information relating to criminal trends, intelligence, awareness and prevention between this Task Force and other law enforcement agencies, locally. Information obtained or shared during these exchanges has shown that a large percentage of crimes in general have a direct nexus to narcotics and narcotics abuse. Intelligence sharing by local law enforcement will lead to valuable information necessary for the arrest and prosecution of drug offenders. Each of the three Tri-NET participating Counties have a form of Special or Street Enforcement Teams (SET) that focus on street level crimes (gangs, burglary, small amounts of narcotics, prostitution, etc...). This Task Force has and will continue to communicate effectively with these other entities to ensure the utmost in crime prevention and to ensure the safety of all involved.

Objective: Continue to sponsor and attend local law enforcement briefings and increase the level of participation in intelligence meetings related to criminal activity. This grant year's goal of 36 briefings will be met by continued partnership with established coalitions, continued involvement with community support functions or venues and the continued coordination and facilitation of joint multi-agency meetings involving the Tri-NET, local SET teams, and the DEA on a monthly basis. Tri-NET will also continue to invite local law enforcement to Tri-NET's weekly operational briefings for information sharing. This goal will be measured by recording the number of times that Tri-NET meets with other local law enforcement entities, coalitions and community service groups. Tri-NET will continue to educate the general public with educational classes and community outreach such as school appearances with the emphasis on drug awareness.

Goal #2: Tri-NET will focus on ensuring the safety and welfare of the citizens of Douglas, Carson City, and Lyon Counties by suppressing the distribution, manufacturing, trafficking, sales, and use of illegal narcotics, utilizing not only the intelligence gathered in Goal #1, but through complete, thorough, quality investigations with the focus on successful prosecutions.

Objective: Within the upcoming year, this Task Force will identify at least 25 drug manufacturers and/or traffickers who are capable of producing and/or distributing ounce to pound quantities of illegal, illicit and dangerous drugs which will consist of Methamphetamine, Cocaine, Heroin and/or Marijuana within the tri-county area. This will be documented and tracked by the number of cases opened, arrests made, and illicit and dangerous drugs purchased and seized.

Goal #3: Tri-NET understands and has seen a spike in the use of prescribed controlled substances (namely Opiates) as well as Heroin abuse. These spikes have been attributed to the renewed abuse, misuse and availability of prescribed controlled substances in the younger generations. Certain prescription drug use has lead to Heroin addiction and death caused by overdose in Tri-NET's communities. The use of illegally obtained pharmaceutical controlled substances is a nationwide problem and recognized as a gateway for many users into illicit drugs. As previously stated the abuse of prescription drugs has lead to an increase in the use, and sales of Heroin to the youth in Tri-NET's area of responsibility. Tri-NET has seen those individuals attempt to withdraw off of the Opiates leading to an increased abused of medications utilized by

addicts to get off Heroin such as Methadone and Suboxone. Over the past three (3) years the tri-county area has experienced the tragedy of approximately fourteen (14) overdose deaths of teens and individuals in their mid twenties directly related to the use of Opiate medications and/or Heroin.

Objective: In the next grant year the Task Force will identify and investigate 12 cases involving the unlawful possession, sale, or trafficking in prescription controlled substances, use/distribution of forged prescriptions, unlawful dispensing of prescriptions or any combination of illegal activity involving the diversion of prescription controlled substances, the use, sales, and trafficking of Heroin and other Opiate related controlled substances. This objective will be measured based upon the number of cases opened for violations involving prescription controlled substances and/or Heroin and other Opiates. The typical Heroin addict purchased Heroin in 1/10th gram quantities often times via purchasing 10 to 20 (1/10th gram portions at a time). Though the seizure gram weights may not be large numbers it is the opinion of Tri-NET that each arrest related to Heroin is an intervention and may result in a young life saved.

Part 5. METHODS OF ACCOMPLISHMENT

The Tri-NET Narcotic Task Force is comprised of seven (7) Detectives/Task Force Officers, one (1) Sergeant, and two (2) clerical support staff. Additionally, we are supported and assisted by all of the surrounding Local, State, and Federal agencies as well as the members of the communities we serve. With all of these resources at our disposal, we will work toward the identification and infiltration of Drug Trafficking Organizations (DTO) operating in our area with the goal of dismantling the organizations and arresting those involved with an eye on successful prosecutions.

We will accomplish these goals and objectives through the aggressive and determined implementation of the following; intelligence gathering, intelligence sharing, thorough, complete, complex, and accurate investigations, undercover and clandestine operations to infiltrate drug trafficking organizations, the use of cooperating sources to conduct controlled purchases of narcotics, implementation of physical and electronic surveillance, and numerous other investigative techniques available.

In reference to goal #1, we will continue our intelligence sharing and gathering techniques by communicating openly with law enforcement at the Local, State, and Federal levels. With so many new enforcement teams being supported by the participating agencies, intelligence sharing is paramount. Not only to assist in the arrest and subsequent prosecution of offenders, but also to ensure the safety of officers and the community during controlled purchase and surveillance operations. Only when we reach our goals of increased intelligence sharing will we reach goal #2. It is a widely accepted and documented principle that if you do not have the necessary information or intelligence, you will not be able to make an informed decision. Lack of intelligence and accurate information is a danger to the officers conducting the investigations as well as the citizens residing in the community. This directly relates to our law enforcement activities as a Narcotic Task Force. The only way to identify individuals capable of trafficking, manufacturing, and/or selling ounce to pound quantities of illicit narcotics is by the effective gathering and exchange of intelligence. The successful completion of goal #3 will reduce the amount of illegally obtained prescription controlled substances in our communities and identify, arrest, and possibly save lives where their deaths are directly attributed to prescription overdose and addictions to Heroin and other related Opiates. Development of the cases will also lead to the cross-over identification of individuals involved in the use, sale and trafficking of illicit drugs and other commonly associated criminal conduct including crimes against a person, forgery, insurance fraud, burglary and other property crimes.

By accomplishing the three goals above, we will be reducing the amount and abuse of illicit and dangerous prescription controlled substances in our community. We will also be sending a message to would-be narcotics traffickers, manufacturers, and users that they cannot hide from Tri-NET or the public. If we continuously investigate narcotic and prescription cases, make arrests and prosecute the leaders of these organizations, those individuals working underneath the leaders will be forced to reconsider their future in the underworld of narcotics. Those involved in the Opiate addiction will understand that there will be a zero tolerance when they are encountered and they will be prosecuted. This in turn may save a life.

The Tri-NET Task Force will continue its involvement with the education of those we work with and those that we live with. Tri-NET will assist Nevada Peace Officers Standards and Training (P.O.S.T.) with the education of new and veteran police officers, in the field of narcotics and their detection. Tri-NET will also continue to educate the public by conducting presentations to school aged children, the community at public forums, and other groups of citizens whenever they request it.

For many years, the Detectives/ TFO's working in Tri-NET have actively participated as instructors and role players in an intensive two week narcotic seminar formerly known as DTFI (Drug Task Force

Investigations). At least annually, the DPS, Investigation Division acts as a host agency for this training course in Carson City. The course covers numerous topics including drug identification, confidential source development, surveillance practices, search and seizure, case management, evidence collection, building entry and other topics. The course also incorporates a multiple day case practical exercise with role players which results in a "mock" trial having a jury comprised of High School students. The course has been remodeled and is now titled 'Nevada Drug Investigation School" (NDIS) and is scheduled for June 13th through June 24th, 2011. DPS is not only the host agency but now the sponsor. This will result in the continued participation of a majority of the Tri-NET Task Force personnel as instructors and role players.

The Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) funding is still a necessity of this Task Force. While each of the participating agencies has been developing ways of funding this project on their own, they have not yet reached that stage. JAG funding is imperative to the success of Tri-NET. The funding from JAG will give us the necessary buy funds to perform controlled purchases of narcotics so that in depth, thorough and professional cases can be presented to the courts for prosecution. As drug traffickers do not have set hours, overtime is a necessity in this field. JAG funding will allow us a certain amount of overtime that is necessary to accomplish our goals. Moreover, JAG funding will permit us to conduct complex investigations which involve investigative expenses, operational expenses, and the maintenance and upgrade of increasingly expensive technological equipment necessary to complete all tasks.

Part 6. EVALUATION OF PROJECT

The goals and objectives of this Task Force are simple, straightforward, and can be summed up by the following; gather intelligence about ongoing narcotics violations, identify and arrest the offenders and seize monies and/or property related to drug proceeds or a result of the same. Because the goals and objectives are simply stated, they are also simply accounted for. We will track the number of:

- 1) Intelligence meetings with local law enforcement.
- 2) Arrests made as a result of the meetings and goals listed above.
- 3) The statistical breakdown of the quantities and types of illicit, dangerous and prescription controlled substances either purchased or seized.
- 4) The statistical breakdown of items seized such as currency, vehicles, real property, weapons, etc.
- 5) Cases opened and types of investigations.
- 6) Training provided to law enforcement or the general public.

By tracking these numbers, Tri-NET will know for certain whether our goals and objectives are being met. As we are governed by an Executive Board, all statistics must pass by them first. When the Executive Board convenes, the Tri-NET supervisors present monthly, quarterly and cumulative statistics and accomplishments. If the stated goals and objectives are not being achieved, all involved parties will discuss and implement plans to correct the situation or short falls.

Additionally, this Task Force submits quarterly reports to the Office of Criminal Justice Assistance. These reports detail the activities of Tri-NET, including the progress of our goals and objectives.

Part 7: SUSTAINMENT OF PROGRAM

The existence and success of this Task Force directly affects the tri-county community thus making its presence is a must. Only when illicit narcotics have been eradicated for good, can this Task Force close its doors. As nice as it sounds, the possibility of not needing a Narcotic Task Force is bleak if not unrealistic at this time.

It is incumbent upon the participating agencies to look into the feasibility of funding this Task Force to ensure that this successful program exists well into the future. Over the past several years, all participating agencies have begun the search for alternate funding and different ways of conducting business. The State of Nevada Department of Public Safety, Investigation Division, has absorbed the infrastructure costs (e.g. rent, utilities, phones, janitorial services, etc...), and added several detectives to the Task Force. This takes an immense financial strain away from the participating agencies. By performing such tasks as increasing their own department budget requests, holding onto vehicles for longer periods of time, limiting the requests for training monies from the grant application, seeking out and securing no-cost exceptional training, and further limiting overtime, the participating agencies are preparing for the future.

By doing all of the above, the local agencies are able to absorb more and more of the operational and personnel costs necessary to keep this Task Force functioning. All members of the Executive Board have agreed that there is a need for this Task Force. Additionally, they are in agreement that the costs must be shared equitably to ensure that a fluid transition occurs when Federal funding is either significantly reduced or eliminated altogether.

On a daily basis, everyone involved in this Task Force is thinking of the future. We are all committed to our mission of protecting the communities in which we reside. We will do what is necessary to keep that mission viable.

Part 8: STATEMENT OF COORDINATION

This Task Force is the continuation of a joint effort by the Carson City Sheriff's Office, the Douglas County Sheriff's Office, the Lyon County Sheriff's Office, and the State of Nevada Department of Public Safety, Investigation Division.

This Task Force, Tri-NET, works closely with the following agencies: The Carson City District Attorney's Office, the Douglas County District Attorney's Office, the Lyon County District Attorney's Office, Special or Street Enforcement Teams (SET) from each of the participating agencies, the State of Nevada Attorney General's Office, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (F.B.I.), the Drug Enforcement Administration (D.E.A.), the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF), the Bureau of Land Management (B.L.M), the Bureau of Indian Affairs (B.I.A.), the State of Nevada, Department of Public Safety's Highway Patrol and Parole and Probation Divisions and local Tribal Police Departments, and all other neighboring narcotic Task Forces or Teams. This is done with the idea that controlled substance trafficking is a fluid and evolving problem. It knows no boundaries or limitations. Only when this Task Force works together with all available resources we will be able to protect the citizens of this community and stem the flow of illicit and dangerous narcotics into this geographical region. With ever increasing budget issues on both Local and State levels recent operations have demanded more and more multi-agency coordination and cooperation resulting in very successful enforcement operations. This type of cooperation and assistance is the way of the future to succeed in the field of drug enforcement.

While this Task Force currently meets with the above agencies regularly, it is our goal to meet with them as much as practical to share information and intelligence, aiding in the apprehension and prosecution of drug traffickers, manufacturers, and users.

Moreover, it is a goal of Tri-NET to continue to involve the community in our fight. Much of the information obtained by this Task Force is through networking with our communities and its' leaders. In order to reciprocate and keep the communities involved, any and all information deemed to be of public interest will be shared with the communities through such programs as D.A.R.E. and other informal educational and drug awareness efforts initiated or requested by participating agencies.

BUDGET SUMMARY

TOTAL GRANT REQUEST (federal funds)	\$136,000
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Category	Request \$
Total Personnel Costs	\$123,541
Total Consultants/Contract Services	\$0
Total Travel / Training Costs	\$0
Total Supplies / Operating Costs	\$4,959
Total Equipment	\$0
Total Confidential Funds	\$7,500
Total Federal Funds Requested	\$136,000
Match (not required) *	\$122,621
Total of Project	\$258,621

*Although match is not required, you can show what will be contributed toward your program. This will not influence whether or not you receive a grant award.

BUDGET REQUEST AND JUSTIFICATION FORMS

PERSONNEL COSTS: Detail all salaries and wages required for program activities to be paid for by this request for funding. **Maximum OT is 32 hours/month/employee.**

SALARIES AND WAGES

Position Title	Annual Salary or \$/hour	% of time working on grant	# of OT Hours	Is position a New Hire? (Y/N)	Total FEDERAL \$ Requested
Detective	\$58,847	100%		N	\$58,847
Detective	\$64,694	100%		N	\$64,694
Sub-Total Personnel					\$123,541

PAYROLL TAXES AND FRINGE BENEFITS: (Rate x Amount = Request) Fringe benefits should be based on actual known costs or an established formula. Fringe benefits are only for the percentage of time devoted to the project. Complete subcategory total. Detail all payroll taxes and fringe benefits on the appropriate lines.

FRINGE BENEFITS	\$ Requested				
FICA					
WORKERS' COMP					
UNEMP. INS					
GROUP INS (Health, Life, Disability, etc.)					
PERS					
UNIFORM ALLOWANCE					
MEDICARE					
Sub-Total Fringe Benefits					\$0
TOTAL PERSONNEL					\$123,541

PERSONNEL JUSTIFICATION:

CONSULTANTS/CONTRACT SERVICES: (Time Needed x Rate = Requirements) List all consultant/contract personnel in order of priority need. (Consultant travel and expenses should be included in this section.) Remember to list the rate and times for each consultant.

CONTRACTS

Name	Hourly Fee	# of Hours	Sole Source Contract?	Amount Requested
Sub-Total Contracts				\$0

CONSULTANT EXPENSES: Must follow federal/state GSA travel policy and per diem rates.

Travel	Per Diem	Airfare	Ground Transportation	Amount Requested
Place:				
Purpose:				
Sub-Total Expenses				\$0
TOTAL CONSULTANT				\$0

CONSULTANT JUSTIFICATION:

TRAVEL COSTS: The location and purpose of travel should be provided. Per diem (meals & lodging) and mileage are included in travel. Per mile cost and per diem rates should not exceed the current state rates. Current state rates are: mileage \$.585/mile, per diem is set at the federal GSA rates. Go to <http://www.gsa.gov> for current rates in each city/county. Registration fees/ conference/ training costs should not be listed here. They belong under "Training." Show the basis of computation (i.e., cost per night for lodging x number of nights = total lodging expense).

In-State Travel

Position Title	Destination	Per Diem	Estimated Airfare	Mileage Allowance	Amount Requested
Sub-Total In-State Travel					\$0

IN-STATE TRAVEL JUSTIFICATION:

Out-of-State Travel

Position Title	Destination	Per Diem	Estimated Airfare	Mileage Allowance	Amount Requested
Sub-Total Out-of-State Travel					\$0

OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL JUSTIFICATION:

TRAINING COSTS: Registration fees/conference/training costs should be included in this section.					
Training Title	Location	# of Attendees	Titles of Positions	Reg Fee	Amount Requested
Sub-Total Training					\$0
TOTAL TRAVEL + TRAINING					\$0

No more than 3 people will be approved to attend the same training.

TRAINING JUSTIFICATION:

SUPPLIES / OPERATING COSTS: Include in this section requests to support all of the following: telephone, postage, printing and copying, publication, desktop and consumable office supplies, drug testing supplies, and other. For cell phone, include the cost of monthly service and charges by minutes/plan. For printing and copying, include the cost per page and number of pages per month. For desktop and consumable supplies, include the cost per person per month. For drug testing supplies use the average cost per month.

SUPPLIES:

Item	Quantity (per person per month)	Unit Price	Total for year	Amount Requested
Batteries, general office supplies, memory cards, drug testing supplies, etc.	Avg \$100 per month total		\$1,200	\$1,200
Note: above items paid to DCSO				
Sub-Total Supplies				\$1,200
OPERATING:				
Nextel Phone Service	\$520		\$6,240	
Verizon Cell Phone	\$20		\$240	
AT & T Computer Line	\$10		\$120	
Metrocall Pager	\$5		\$60	
Software Maintenance	\$14		\$168	
Note: above items paid to DCSO				\$3,759
ST800 GPS System Annual Maintenance		\$900	\$900	
Fuel (\$150 per person per month)	\$150		\$3,600	
Sub-Total Operating				\$3,759
TOTAL SUPPLIES + OPERATING				\$4,959

SUPPLIES AND OPERATING JUSTIFICATION:

EQUIPMENT: Non-consumable items with a life of one year or more and an acquisition cost of \$500 or more per item (excluding printers) should be listed in this category. Like items or related components must be considered as a group and may not be separated to avoid complying with these standards. Provide a list of all items including number of items, manufacturer, location of item and price per item. Law Enforcement agencies must go through the 1033/1122 Program for equipment purchases but need not receive an estimate for purposes of this application.

Item	Quantity	Unit Price	Total	Amount Requested
TOTAL EQUIPMENT				\$0

EQUIPMENT JUSTIFICATION:

CONFIDENTIAL FUNDS: Funds will be considered for State law enforcement agencies and law enforcement agencies serving units of local government. For continuation grants, balance expended during previous grant years will be considered.

Item	Rate per month	Total for Year	Estimate Portion to be used from forfeiture funds	Amount Requested
Buy Money (Drugs)	\$833	\$10,000		\$7,500
TOTAL CONFIDENTIAL FUNDS				\$7,500

CONFIDENTIAL FUNDS JUSTIFICATION:

An integral part of successful illicit and prescription Control Substance investigations is based upon Tri-NET's ability to purchase drugs, pay Cooperating Sources and the associated expenses related to conducting undercover operations.

The use of Cooperating Sources (C/S's) are invaluable tools that when used properly during narcotic investigations. They are an efficient and effective means to an end due to their ability to infiltrate the drug trafficking organizations and the established base of known suspects already involved in the possession, manufacture, sale and trafficking of illicit and prescription controlled substances. As motive for continued use and information C/S's are routinely given a financial incentive for their assistance.

Examples of investigative expenses paid with Confidential Funds include prepaid phones for Cooperating Sources, hotel/motel room rentals to conduct the undercover operations, rental cars and food/supplies necessary during negotiations or meetings with suspects.

The Tri-NET Task Force strives to investigate and infiltrate mid and upper level trafficking organizations as opposed to street level drug sales. Targeting this level of criminal enterprise is expensive. Currently, Tri-NET is paying \$1,600 - \$2,200 an ounce for Methamphetamine, which is the dominate drug of choice, except for Marijuana. In the past three (3) calendar years Tri-NET has paid out \$ 89,089.45 towards the purchase off illegal/ illicit and prescription controlled substances to further their investigative efforts. In return Tri-NET has seized \$ 13,007,979.56 worth or illegal/ illicit and prescribed controlled substances.

Based upon this vital need, the combined Confidential Funds requested for all three grantees (Douglas County, Lyon County and Carson City) in the Tri-NET Task Force is worthy of being increased to \$24,000, which equals \$8,000 each. This amount, combined with Nevada General Funds, other grant sources and forfeiture funds will help cover the costs for Tri-NET's total Confidential Funds needs. Approximately 75% of Confidential Funds are used for the purchase of drugs, 13% are used for payments to or on the behalf of Cooperating Sources and the remaining 12% is used for investigative undercover operations.

The failure to continue funding to cover the costs associated with the purchase of illicit and prescription Controlled Substances would severely hamper Tri-NET's ability to successfully investigate these types of cases.