



Exeter Township Police Department



News Release

Date 10/11/2016	Incident Type Ballistic vest grant awarded to the Exeter Township Police Dept.	
	Incident #	Incident Date 10/11/2016
Location of Incident Exeter Township		
Involved Person(s) Exeter Township Police, US Department of Justice		

Incident Details

The Exeter Township Police Department has been awarded a federal grant from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bulletproof Vest Partnership. The award of \$4,876 will help offset the cost of purchasing new or replacement vests by 50%. The average cost of a ballistic vest is approximately \$1000 and each vest typically expires after 5 years.

The Exeter Township Police Department has a “mandatory wear policy” which states that the ballistic vest is part of the uniform and shall be worn at all times. It has become increasingly dangerous for police nationwide in 2016. Instances of Officers killed by gunfire are up 57% from this time last year according to ODMP.org . Now more than ever, keeping officers safe and keeping their equipment up to date is of the utmost importance. This grant award will help ensure that the ETPD’s ballistic vest replacement program will continue with less burden on the Exeter Township Police budget.

For more information, please contact the Exeter Township Police at 610-779-1490.