



Community Safety and Justice

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Council Initiated:

☐ Yes

☒ No

ECAF: 2024-3160

Motion: 24-116

Type:

☐ Contract

☐ Board Appt.

☐ Code Amendment

☐ Budget Action

☒ Other

Requested Handling:

☐ Normal

☐ Expedite

☒ Urgent – 12.31.24

Fund Source:

☐ General Fund

☒ Other

☐ N/A

Executive Rec:

☒ Approve

☐ Do Not Approve

☐ N/A

Approved as to

Form:

☒ Yes

☐ No

☐ N/A

Subject: Grant Award – Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance

Scope: Ordinance 24-116 would approve a grant award between the County and the Department of Justice (DOJ) under which DOJ will provide the Sheriff's Office with a \$448,000 grant to procure and implement Rapid DNA technology.

Duration: January 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026

Fiscal Impact: ☐ Current Year ☒ Multi-Year ☐ N/A

***Annual ongoing costs is *estimated* to be \$25,000. This covers the consumable test kits, technology service/maintenance, and training. Once the grant closed out, ongoing cost will fall to the County.

Expenditures	Current Year	2025	2026	2027	2028	Total
Fund 130	\$0	\$448,000				\$448,000
Ongoing Cost			***	***	***	***
Total's	0	\$448,000	***	***	***	\$448,000

Revenue	Current Year	2025	2026	2027	2028	Total
Fund 130		\$448,000				
Total's	0	\$448,000	0	0	0	\$448,000

Authority Granted: Authorize the Executive to execute to grant award.

Background: "Rapid DNA, or Rapid DNA analysis, is a term used to describe the fully automated process of developing a DNA profile from a reference sample mouth swab in 1-2 hours without the need for a DNA laboratory and without any human interpretation."¹ On December 5, 2024 the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office was awarded a grant from the DOJ for procurement and implementation of Rapid DNA technology. The County has 45 to execute the grant and return to the DOJ. The Sheriff's Office will use this to obtain DNA results within 90 minutes which will aide in criminal investigations and in situations where there may be a natural disaster for identification of individuals.

Requested Action: For Council to set time and date for a public hearing.

¹ [Guide to All Things Rapid DNA - FBI](#)