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January 27, 2016

Her Excellency, Governor Margaret Wood Hassan  
And the Honorable Council  
State House  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Your Excellency and Members of the Council:

REQUESTED ACTION

1. Authorize the Department of Justice to enter into a subgrant with the New Hampshire Department of Safety (vendor #177878), in the amount of \$19,500, from the FFY 2014 Paul Coverdell National Forensic Science Improvement Act Grant Program to support activities in the NH State Police Forensic Crime Lab upon the date of Governor and Council approval to March 31, 2016. 100% Federal Funds.

Funding is available in account # 02-20-20-201510-4467(Job# 20NFS14A), Department of Justice, Grants Management, entitled Forensic Science Improvement Act as follows:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
072-500576	Department of Safety	\$19,500

2. Authorize the Department of Justice to enter into a subgrant with the New Hampshire Department of Safety (vendor #177878), in the amount of \$28,700, from the FFY 2015 Paul Coverdell National Forensic Science Improvement Act Grant Program to support activities in the NH State Police Forensic Crime Lab upon the date of Governor and Council approval to September 30, 2016. 100% Federal Funds.

Funding is available in account # 02-20-20-201510-4467 (Job#20NFS15A), Department of Justice, Grants Management, entitled Forensic Science Improvement Act as follows:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
072-500576	Department of Safety	\$28,700

## EXPLANATION

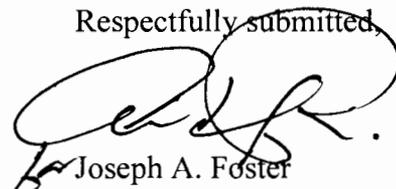
The Department is seeking authorization to award funds from federal fiscal years 2014 and 2015 from the Paul Coverdell National Forensic Science Improvement Act. These federal funds are intended to support and enhance state forensic services, to include overtime for the reduction of backlog of cases involving opioid overdoses and deaths and funding to support professional training for laboratory personnel.

New Hampshire has historically used these funds to support the NH State Police Forensic Crime Lab and the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, both of which provide statewide forensic services for New Hampshire. This award to the Crime Lab is intended to support and enhance the functioning of the Crime Lab by providing additional funding for services that would not ordinarily be available through state budgeted funds. These services include greater ability to access training, the purchase of equipment and the contracting for services within the lab to support their equipment and/or training needs.

In the event that federal funds become no longer available, general funds will not be requested to support this program.

Please let me know if you have any questions concerning this request. Your consideration is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attorney General

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Enclosure

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE GRANT AWARD		
Agency Name: NH Department of Safety		Vendor No.: 177878-B001
Program Name: Forensic Services		Amount: \$ 19,500.00
Grant Start Date: 2/10/2016	State Grant Number: 2016NFS2	
Grant End Date: 3/31/2016	Federal Grant Number: 2014-CD-BX-0047	
Appropriation No.: 02-20-20-201510-4467-072-500576 Job #20NFS14A		
Head of Agency	Project Director	Fiscal Officer
John J. Barthelmes  33 Hazen Drive Concord, NH 03305 271-3573	Tim Pifer Laboratory Director	Tammy Holso
Federal Grant Name:	National Forensic Science Improvement Act	
Federal Agency:	United States Department of Justice	
Bureau/Office:	Office of Justice Programs	
CFDA Number:	16.560	
Purpose of Grant:	Crime Lab Staff Training & Certification	
Program Requirements:	Adherence to Program Conditions and Guidelines.	
Match Requirements:	Match must be spent on program allowable activities.	
Program income Requirements:	Program Income must be reported and spent on program allowable activities.	
Reporting Requirements:	Monthly or quarterly Financial reports. Required Performance reports and audit. Adherence to Program Conditions and Guidelines. Completion of Monitoring forms and processes.	
Approval	Program Agency	NH Department of Justice
Name	John J. Barthelmes	Kathleen Carr
Title		Director of Administration
Date		
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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE GRANT AWARD		
Agency Name:	NH Department of Safety	Vendor No.: 177878-B001
Program Name:	Forensic Services	Amount: \$ 28,700.00
Grant Start Date:	2/10/2016	State Grant Number: 2016NFS2A
Grant End Date:	9/30/2016	Federal Grant Number: 2015-CD-BX-0047
Appropriation No.:	02-20-20-201510-4467-072-500576 Job #20NFS14A	
Head of Agency	Project Director	Fiscal Officer
John J. Barthelmes  33 Hazen Drive Concord, NH 03305 271-3573	Tim Pifer Laboratory Director	Tammy Holso
Federal Grant Name:	National Forensic Science Improvement Act	
Federal Agency:	United States Department of Justice	
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