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MEMORANDUM TO: All Chiefs of Police and

Commissioner Thomas Carrique Chairs, Police Service Boards

FROM: Ken Weatherill

Assistant Deputy Minister Public Safety Division

SUBJECT: Ontario Closed Circuit Television Grant Program – Call

for Applications for Fiscal Year 2024-2025

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I am pleased to advise that the Ministry of the Solicitor General is now accepting applications under the Ontario Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) Grant Program for 2024-2025.

This grant continues to help expand CCTV systems in more municipalities, as part of the Ontario Guns, Gangs and Violence Reduction Strategy (GGVRS).

The Ontario GGVRS delivers a comprehensive and effective solution to the issue of guns and gangs in the province. As part of the GGVRS, investments have been made to fight gun and gang violence through enforcement, intervention, and prevention. The Ontario CCTV Grant Program further supports police services and the communities they serve to increase public safety.

The Ontario CCTV Grant Program is available to all municipal and First Nations police services, as well as municipalities that are policed by the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP). The call for applications is being launched for a one-year grant cycle and will provide one-time funding to successful applicants in the fiscal year of 2024-2025 (period covered is from April 1, 2024, to March 31, 2025).

- <u>NEW</u>: For all OPP-policed municipalities, applications must be reviewed by the OPP's Grant Support Team at <u>OPP.Grant.Support.Team@OPP.ca</u> prior to submission in Transfer Payment Ontario (TPON).
 - Please refer to the Application Guidelines and Instructions for more information on how to apply for funding.

- The maximum funding request for each project is up to \$300,000 for one year (2024-2025).
- There is no limit on the number of applications that can be submitted per eligible applicant.
- Eligible applicants must identify at least one (1) community partner on their application. Applications should include a letter of support from the identified community partner.

Police services will be required to pay for 50 per cent of the project costs. For example, if the total project cost is \$600,000, the applicant must commit \$300,000 of their own funds towards the project and the ministry would cover the remaining 50 per cent of the project costs of \$300,000. For more detailed information, please see the attached Application Guidelines and Instructions.

Please note that grant funding is subject to the ministry receiving the approved appropriation from the Ontario Legislature.

All applications must be submitted through TPON as well as by email to Ramanan.Thanabalasingam@Ontario.ca and Silvana.Burke@Ontario.ca by 4:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on Friday, December 20, 2024.

Late submissions will not be considered for funding. More details on the application process, including accessing the application and applying through TPON, are outlined in the attached Application Guidelines and Instructions document.

If you have any questions related to the application process, please direct your inquiries to Ram Thanabalasingam by email at Ramanan.Thanabalasingam@Ontario.ca or Silvana Burke by email at Silvana.Burke@Ontario.ca.

Sincerely,

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Attachment

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