## **BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BRIEFING PAPER**

## Topic: Budget Supplemental Approval for the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program

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		Place on Business/
		Hearing Agenda

**Issue:** Amendment to the 2025 General Fund budget for a grant from the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP).

**Background:** The SLCGP is an Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) authorized grant distributed through the State of Colorado's Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management. The program provides Crowdstrike Falcon Complete MDR licenses and Crowdstrike Falcon Spotlight licenses to local governments.

BIT's successful July 2024 SLCGP grant application resulted in a non-cash grant award of cybersecurity software licenses (non-cash). The 20% match normally required for this grant is being covered by the Colorado Governor's Office of Economic Recovery.

**Discussion:** On July 2, 2024, the Business Information & Technology (BIT) Department and the Grants Management Team briefed to apply for and accept the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant (SLCGP) on July 2, 2024. Subsequently, the grant was awarded on October 31, 2024, in the amount of \$192,000. Staff request approval to supplement the 2025 budget for a non-cash award of up to \$192,000.

This grant will decrease the County's 2025-26 expenses for this critical cybersecurity product. Crowdstrike provides vital cybersecurity services that protect the County from cyber threats.

## Fiscal Impact: ⊠ yes □no

This state grant will provide cybersecurity software licenses to the county valued up to \$192,000. There is a 20% match requirement for the grant that will be funded by the Colorado Governor's Office of Economic Recovery.

A supplemental will be needed to increase the revenue and expenditure appropriations in the General Fund up to \$192,000.

- Year(s) of impact: 2025, 2026
- Existing grant or project: No.
- New grant or project: Yes.
- Requested in adopted budget: No.
- Ongoing or one-time: One-time.
- General Fund impact: None. No funds will be provided, rather licenses will be purchased for the County by the State of Colorado.
- Staffing impact: None.
- Match requirements: The State of Colorado will cover the 20% noncash match.
- Mandate/Contractual obligation: None.

**SPA Review:** Dan Conway, 4/10/25.

Supports, no concern.

This is a state grant with no County match requirement. A supplemental for the General Fund up to \$192,000 is needed to appropriate the revenue and expenditures for this grant award.

County Attorney Review: Approved, Kurtis Behn, 4/10/25.

Facilities Review: Supports, no concerns. Mark Danner, 4/15/25.

**BIT Review:** Supports, no concerns. Andy Corbett, 4/15/25.

Fleet Review: Supports, no concerns. Janice Mayer, 4/11/25.

County Human Resources Review (new FTE only): N/A

**Recommendations:** That the Board of County Commissioners direct staff to supplement the Business Information & Technology Department's 2025 budget in the amount up to \$192,000 in the General Fund for the State and

Local Cybersecurity Grant.

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