Executive Summary

Currently, the Town of Bay Harbor Islands does not have mobile access to critical information systems including the Florida Crime Information Center (FCIC) and the National Crime Information Center (NCIC). The island Town employs 38 public safety officials including police officers, dispatchers and detectives. Over the past year the Town realized they were missing important technology to assist in their safety goals. Realizing that neighboring communities were using advanced technology, the Town decided to apply for similar systems to make for a more efficient and effective operation. When officers are in the field they must call in all the information of the vehicles and subjects. With the purchase, installation and implementation of the new technology, the officers in the field will be able to run queries on vehicles and subjects for active hits, warrants and criminal histories. New software including Full Computer Aided Dispatch (C.A.D) and Records Management System (R.M.S) will also be installed. This software will allow the laptops to receive the dispatch information and the officer access to the R.M.S to complete necessary reports in the field. In order to address this need the Town will purchase and install 18 laptop computers in the police vehicles and one desktop computer for mobility link. Along with the new equipment, C.A.D and R.M.S software will be placed into service. The State Interface software including FCIC and NCIC will also be installed. The completion of this project will be the responsibility of the Town of Bay Harbor Islands and should be completed within 6 months after the award notice is received. The purchase and installation of the equipment and technology will be the responsibility of the Town and the selected, experienced contractors. The project will directly serve the public safety officials and directly benefit all the residents of Bay Harbor Islands. The 18 police officers will utilize the new technology each day they are out in the field. Bay Harbor Islands’ population of 2,973 residents plus the hundreds of visitors each year will reap the benefits by experiencing increased safety in the Town. The Bay Harbor Islands Police Department is highly qualified to receive this program. Along with experienced public safety officials, the training received from this grant will make for an efficient working community. The town is ready and able to implement the Broadband Enhancement. Even though the Town has not had access to this technology in the past, they have still managed to keep one of the lowest crime rates in Miami-Dade and the State of Florida. The public safety officials are eager to keep this reputation and realize the benefits of the new technology. The overall cost of the project is $78,242.