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The State of New Jersey

“N.J. cops' 2-year military surplus haul: $40M in gear, 13 armored vehicles”


http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k18ELQFsnNo
Section I – MRAP

The State of Alabama – Hostage Situation

I want to thank you both again for all the hard work you have done in maintaining the LESO program, and especially for the efforts on your part that made the acquisition of our agency’s MRAP possible. We had our first deployment of the MRAP today for a bank hostage situation. Although the MRAP did not have to be used in any type of entry, having it staged on the scene was a big relief for the officers knowing that they had something substantial to use if need be. I’ve attached a photo from the event taken by a local news photographer and a copy of our internal Armored Vehicle report, that we will use as part of our debrief after any incident in which this vehicle is used. As you look at the operator’s report, please understand we now have 6 teams of trained, certified MRAP drivers (each team driver and assistant driver) and these reports are to document any deployment, staging or otherwise, where this equipment is used.

Again, thank you for what you do.

Edward Vaughn, Captain, Commander of Training an Logistics, Tuscaloosa Police Department

(Above is an email sent to Mr. Shane Bailey, Alabama LESO State Coordinator and Mr. Burt Brownell, Alabama LESO State Point of Contact)

Section I – MRAP
The State of California

Woman surrenders after blocking Tower Bridge in West Sacramento.

Police: Driver claimed to have bomb in car

Section II – HMMWV
The State of Georgia

Frank: (Frank Mize, LESO State Point of Contact (SPOC))

The Pelham Police Department is using LESO equipment to assist storm victims as follows:

Jan. 22, 2017 - Used a HMMWV in rescue operations and clearing roads into damaged neighborhoods in Albany
Jan. 23, 2017 - Used two HMMWVs for victim rescue efforts and road clearing in Albany
Jan. 24, 2017 - Used a HMMWV to deliver food, water and supplies into damaged neighborhoods in Albany

Thanks,
Nealie McCormick
Chief of Police
Pelham Police Dept.
Section II – HMMWV
The State of New Jersey

“Thank you as always for a job well done”

This picture and citizen letter were received from NJ Rumson PD in regards to the use of their 1033 Program Humvee.

Lt. Robert Aponte
NJ LESO State Coordinator

January 25, 2017

Dear Mayor and Council,

Tuesday morning with flood waters still very high, Bob and I were so relieved and fortunate to enlist the Town’s Army jeep to help us get to our car at St. George’s. Bob was scheduled to have a procedure which had been on the calendar for weeks and was quite important to keep. Even though we thought we were good to go with the car moved, we did not anticipate the still high waters which would have been tough to slog through even with hip boots.

Thanks to the cooperation of Chief Patterson down to the dispatcher we got the word that they could help us. We certainly understand that the use of the vehicles are meant for serious situations and we were grateful that the decision to assist us was made.

Needless to say, the town is lucky to have been the recipient of the surplus vehicles and had the foresight to request them.

Thank you as always for a job well done,

Sincerely,

Nancy Haaren-Schuster

cc Chief Patterson
Section II – HMMWV
The State of West Virginia

Military Surplus Equipment Proves Irreplaceable in Alderson Floods

http://www.wearewvproud.com/story/34543251/militarysurplusequipmentprovesirreplaceableinaldersonfloods
Section III – Aircraft
The State of New York – Finding Lost Hikers (Update)

New York State Police Pilots Honored

The use of the UH-1H Hueys provide OCSD with capabilities they've never had before. These are the first medium lift helicopters owned by OCSD and they are multi-role. Their primary function is to serve as an air rescue platform. OCSD's original UH-1 is equipped with a rescue hoist and is staffed with paramedics to provide Advanced Life Support (ALS) rescue capabilities. In the last year, OCSD has performed over 30 remote hoist rescues using the UH-1 platform. OCSD has also equipped the UH-1 with a fast-rope system. This allows OCSD to rapidly deploy SWAT team members onto a roof top, or remote marijuana grow. Additionally, the UH-1 can also be used in the event of a natural disaster or terrorist attack to transport personnel or supplies during gridlock or when ground transportation is not feasible.

The latest UH-1 (pictured below) acquired from the Army out of Yuma, AZ is currently being outfitted with law enforcement radios and mission equipment. It will soon also have a hoist and fast-rope system installed.

Bill Henninge
Administrative Manager I
Orange County Sheriff's Dept.
Section III – Aircraft
The State of California

Bell UH-1(h) “Sable 5” Lifts Off For A Evacuations Planning Flight


The Merced County Sheriff's Office coordinated with emergency responder personnel to plan potential evacuation routes due to the high river flows that affected Merced County. Merced County essentially became a bowl of water as the San Joaquin River and Merced River were flowing to the point where the over flows/bypasses were full. This was compounded by Tuolumne River (downstream of the San Joaquin River) high water flows which essentially backed up in North Western Merced County as the Merced River merges into the San Joaquin River.

The communities of Le Grand, Snelling, and Gustine are served by two lane roads (State Routes Hwy 59, Hwy 140 and Highway 165) and each area could have been cut off for services from public safety/local government.

The Bell UH-1(h) Huey (Merced Sheriff call sign "Sable 5") was used to plan evacuation routes and quickly assess water flows more efficiently than public safety ground vehicles could. Public safety partners from Cal Fire, Cal OES, Army, Air Force National Guard and other Federal, State and Local government officials were apart of several flights that allowed planning activities to be conducted efficiently with regard to time management.

B. J. Jones
Captain - Operations Division
Merced County Sheriff’s Office
Section IV – Misc. Items
The State of Missouri

Tourniquets Used To Save Lives

Sharing feedback from a Missouri LEA regarding some tourniquets that Harrisonville PD received from the LESO Program.

Heather Haslag
LESO Program State Coordinator

Hello,

Just wanted to drop you a line to say that since we obtained 50 C-A-T style tourniquets we have used two of them to help us save lives. The most recent was a suicidal subject who had slashed his wrist extremely badly and was bleeding heavily. Officers have all been issued a tourniquet that they are encouraged to carry in their cargo pants pockets. One of our officers was able to place the tourniquet prior to EMS being able to respond. It was left in place until the subject was taken to the hospital, possibly saving his life or arm.

Thank you for all you do to help us protect our civilians more effectively.

Det. C. Sheppard
Harrisonville MO Police Department
Section IV – Misc. Items
The State of Delaware – Detecting Sets, Mine (Metal Detectors)

I wanted to share information that I received from Harvey Velott who is the LESO POC for the Delaware State Police. DSP had requested and was awarded 13 detecting sets, mine through the LESO Program that have recently been utilized several times. The Delaware Prison riot that made the national news, in which one correctional officer was killed in the line of duty, was one instance when this equipment was used by DSP to search the grounds, fences and buildings for weapons that had been hidden by the inmates. Several weapons were found during this operation.

Another example was after a homeowner in Milton, Delaware found 2 military ordnance items at his home and the property was searched with the detecting sets by DSP.

Today, DSP used the detecting sets to assist Dover PD search for a weapon thrown into a drainage pond by a murder suspect. It was too shallow to dive and these really helped expedite the search. DSP noted that they found all sorts of good stuff in the bottom of that pond.

Please thank the LESO Team from all of us in Delaware that appreciate everything this program does to help our state.

Thank you again,

Leland Lester Hobbs
LESO State Point of Contact
Section IV – Misc. Items

The State of Georgia

Thermal Imagining Locates Georgia Woman

On March 6th 2017, Deputies from the Morgan County Sheriff’s Office were dispatched to an address off of Bethany Church Road in reference to an 82 year old Alzheimer patient that had gone missing. The husband reported that his elderly wife was last seen around 3 p.m. at the end of the driveway. Once it became dark and the family was unable to find Mrs. Mapp, they called for assistance. Deputies canvased the area trying to gain information from neighbors. When no sightings were reported, deputies requested Morgan County Fire Rescue to respond. Approximately 25 rescue members responded to the call and began the search. Around 9:15 p.m., six hours after she was last seen, Mrs. Mapp was located approximately one mile from the point last observed by husband. Mrs. Mapp was found in some thick underbrush in an auto junk yard. She told EMS that she had been laying in the woods because she fell and could not get back up. Other than some minor cuts and scratches and being cold, Mrs. Mapp was in okay condition and was transported to Morgan Memorial Hospital.

Morgan County Sheriff’s Office used hand held thermal imaging units that were conditionally transferred from the DLA LESO Program. It is unquestionable that without this equipment Mrs. Mapp would not have been located so quickly before she would have been hypothermic and possibly could have perished.

Sheriff Robert Markley
Morgan County Sheriff’s Office
Section IV – Misc. Items
The State of New Jersey – Medical Emergency

Another NJ Rumson PD use of 1033 Property for life saving missions.

Lt. Robert Aponte
NJ 1033 State Coordinator

LESO,

This event occurred last year, but still it was great utilization of the LESO equipment.

Sgt. Koenig, Ptl. Torres, Ptl. Campanella, SO Officer Morse, Rumson Fire Company, Fairhaven EMS and Medic 206 responded to 49 Waterman for a subject with difficulty breathing. All units were advised to stage at Waterman and Grant Avenue due to the flooded roadway. The patient was transported to the staging area by Sgt. Koenig, Ptl. Torres, Ptl. Campanella and Mike Trevitt (Rumson Fire CO) in the 4214 vehicle acquired from the LESO. Fairhaven EMS transported the subject to Riverview Medical.

The first picture is the water level at 49 Waterman, the second picture is the truck used (4214), and the third is the modified deck for water rescue.

Sergeant Peter M. Koenig
Rumson Police Department
Section IV – Misc. Items
The State of Alabama

DLA in the News

Federal program puts equipment in hands of local law enforcement

Byline: Michelle W. Forehand
Publication: Dothan Eagle (AL)
Date: Sunday January 22nd, 2017

Summary
A lack of funds doesn’t always necessarily mean there isn’t a way for police to get things they need. The Newville Police Department receives needed equipment through the Defense Logistics Agency 1033 Program.

Text
Small town police departments don’t always have all the money they need, or would like, for vehicles and equipment that will help officers perform their jobs.

A lack of funds doesn’t always necessarily mean there isn’t a way for police to get things they need.

The Newville Police Department receives needed equipment through the Defense Logistics Agency 1033 Program.

Although the Newville Police Department is one of the newest beneficiaries of the program, the program is not new. It has helped more than 8,000 law enforcement agencies.

"We are very excited to be a part of this program,” Newville Police Chief Henry Danzey said. "This is a great program that many other local law enforcement agencies participate in. I actually started the Gordon Police Department in the program while I was chief there. Following my return back to the Newville Police Department, I spoke with the mayor and council and we all agreed this is a great program and Newville needed to participate."

Once law enforcement agencies have been approved to participate in the 1033 Program, requests for specific items can be requested. The Defense Logistics Agency determines what type of equipment and what quantity of excess military equipment will be released to local law enforcement agencies.

"This program allowed us to receive a rifle, van and a truck,” Danzey said. "If we had not met the qualifications of this program, we would have had to purchase the equipment, or done without. By saving the town’s funds we can put those funds towards something else. This program is just a huge benefit to law enforcement agencies."

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Section IV – Misc. Items
The State of Maine & New Hampshire

“Working Together”

Paul: (Paul Vincent, LESO State Point Of Contact)

Just wanted to let you know about something great that happen between the Cumberland County Sheriff's Office and the Kingston New Hampshire Police Department. We were able to obtain a forklift and a sandbag filler through the LESO program in Rochester, New Hampshire. I met Chief Don Briggs (Kingston PD) while picking up items at DLA Pease. We spoke about the equipment, and without hesitation he offered to assist me in transporting my items to my location as he had obtained a tractor and lowboy trailer through the program previously. His willingness to help made the acquisition of this property simple and cost effective for my agency. Even though we are in neighboring states and have never worked together prior, he still stepped up and I can't thank him enough.

This is a great example how we can make this program work by working together.

Deputy Joe Schnupp
Community Relation Officer
Cumberland County Sheriff's Office

Paul,
Thanks for sharing this, great to hear that there is communication and assistance made available to your LEA. Hope the fork lift is put to good use and that you never have to use the sand bag filler.

Dan Arnold
Team Lead, Eastern U.S.
Law Enforcement Support Office (LESO)