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To: Senator Henry Wilkins, IV, Co-chair
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From: Pete Hollingsworth

Re: Annual Report- Court Security Grant Program; Act 576 of 2007

Date: June 29, 2010

Act 576, section 1 of 2007, codified as Ark. Code Ann. § 16-10-1006, provides as follows:

Court security grant program.

(a) The Administrative Office of the Courts shall administer a court security grant program for the purpose of providing financial assistance from funds specifically appropriated for that purpose to city and county governments to assist in the implementation of local security and emergency preparedness plans for circuit courts and district courts.

The Act further states that on July 31, 2010, the Administrative Office of the Courts shall provide an annual report to the Legislative Council that shall include the number of grant requests received from cities and counties and the number and amount of grants approved.

This is the first year that competitive grants were awarded for this program. In each of the last two years grant funds were used to provide funding for all seventy-five counties to assist in the development of Local Security and Emergency Preparedness Plans. This year, grants of up to \$15,000 were awarded to assist local committees with the implementation of those plans.

Eligible applicants included any counties which completed all requirements for the submission and approval of their comprehensive Local Court Security and Emergency Preparedness Plan, including the Facility Assessment, Court Security Plan, Emergency Response Plan and Continuity of Operations Plan. 67 counties were eligible and 47 counties submitted applications. The total amount of funds requested was \$868,930.61. The Supreme Court Committee on Court Security and Emergency Preparedness reviewed all of the applications and approved 24 of the requests for a total of \$250,000.

The grants were disbursed to the counties on May 21, 2010 and must be expended by December 31, 2010. Quarterly grant reports will be required of all successful applicants during the grant period.

Enclosed is the list of counties and the amount of the grants awarded.

Enclosure: 2010 Grant Report

cc: Judge Ham Singleton, Chair
Supreme Court Committee on Security and Emergency Preparedness

Court Security and Emergency Preparedness FY2010 Act 576 Grant Report

Approved County	Approved Amount	Approved Project (Brief Description)
Arkansas	\$15,000.00	Panic Buttons
Bradley	\$14,961.00	Video Arraignment/ Panic Buttons
Chicot	\$7,080.00	Security Cameras
Cleburne	\$7,500.00	Security Cameras
Conway	\$15,000.00	Security Cameras/ Magnetic Locks
Crittenden	\$15,000.00	Metal Detectors/ Security Cameras/ Keypad Locks
Desha	\$8,002.00	Panic Buttons
Drew	\$500.00	Locks
Franklin	\$15,000.00	Panic Buttons
Grant	\$6,000.00	Crash Bars
Independence	\$15,000.00	Door Access Control
Lee	\$15,000.00	Security Cameras
Logan	\$7,500.00	Magnetic Locks
Marion	\$15,000.00	Security Cameras
Ouachita	\$13,790.00	Metal Detectors
Poinsett	\$1,499.00	Stun Belt
Pulaski	\$4,578.00	Emergency Lighting/ Bullet Resistant Material for Bench
Randolph	\$12,097.00	Metal Detector/ Security Cameras
Saline	\$13,926.00	Security Cameras
Sharp	\$4,850.00	Metal Detector/ Hand Wands
St. Francis	\$11,962.00	Panic Buttons
Stone	\$15,000.00	Emergency Generator
Washington	\$755.00	Panic Buttons
Yell	\$15,000.00	Metal Detector/ Cameras/ Magnetic Locks
24 Awards	\$250,000.00	