## OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF



## MEMORANDUM

TO: LESO Program Manager, DLA Disposition Services Law Enforcement Support Office (LESO)

74 Washington Avenue North, Battle Creek, MI 49037

FROM: Sheriff K.W. Stolle

**DATE:** January 18, 2018

SUBJECT: Armored Vehicle Justification

1. Please thoroughly explain the intended use and impact the resource will have upon your jurisdiction and/or neighboring jurisdiction support to other agencies (examples may include SWAT, active shooter, barricaded suspect, emergency response, first responder, critical incident, hostage rescue, natural disaster response, border security, homeland security, counter-drug, counter-terrorism).

The Virginia Beach Sheriff's Office is committed to providing for the public safety of the citizens of Virginia Beach. In doing so, I intend to use an armored vehicle to provide a safe means of transportation for sworn deputies during times of an active shooter, barricaded suspect or hostage rescue at the Virginia Beach Courthouse and other high risk incidents requiring an emergency response. I also intended to use the armored vehicle to provide support to the Virginia Beach Police Department during times of critical incident involving an emergency response. The impact this armored vehicle will have on the City of Virginia Beach will be a positive one. The armored vehicle will only be used to protect the citizens of this city and to protect those sworn to serve it.

2. Number of full/part compensated sworn officers in the agency making the request.

445

3. Is the requesting agency located within an office of National Drug Control Policy designated High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA)?

Yes.

4. Is the requesting agency involved by mutual agreement with multi-agency associations/task forces of a counter-drug/counter-terrorism/border security nature?

Yes, the Virginia Beach Sheriff's Office is formally involved by mutual agreement with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security for counter-drug operations. The Virginia Beach Sheriff's Office is also involved with the Virginia State Police with narcotics interdiction.

5. State the population within the requesting agencies jurisdiction and describe the geographical size of the area of responsibility.

452,602 residents and approximately 15 million annual tourists/visitors.

6. Describe the type of facility that will be used to store and secure the resource.

The armored vehicle will be stored in a garage protected by a garage door and an exterior perimeter gate with barbed wire. The garage will be monitored by security cameras.

7. Provide estimated usage/mission requirements for the requested armored vehicles.

The call volume for this vehicle would vary; however, historically we have three threats of an active shooter at the municipal center and one potential large protest within the past two years. We also have a yearly "college week" that has escalated to a critical incident involving destruction and violence in the past. With this vehicle, the Virginia Beach Sheriff's Office will be a vital asset to support the Virginia Beach Police Department during times of critical incident requiring an emergency response.

8. If requesting a Tracked Armored Vehicle, provide additional justification for intended use. (Justify the need for a tracked vehicle)

The Virginia Beach Sheriff's Office is not requesting a tracked armored vehicle.

Chief Law Enforcement Official/Head of Local Federal Agency .(Supervisor/RAC/SAC):	
(Print Name and Official)	1/18/18
(Signature and Date)	

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Dave Hansen, City Manager

FROM: Sheriff K.W. Stolle

**DATE: January 18, 2018** 

SUBJECT: Military Surplus Armored Vehicle

This letter is to notify you that the Virginia Beach Sheriff's Office has the intent to acquire a military surplus armored vehicle as soon as one becomes available. This armored vehicle will be used during high risk operations to ensure public and deputy safety.