



ILEAS Issues Document
Governing Board Meeting
12 December, 2024

ILEAS Training Center Upgrade Project

The ILEAS Training Center improvements are nearing an end. We are at the “punch-list” stage of the project with only minor corrections and tasks yet to be completed. The final work on the parking lot repairs have been completed. There is a drain issue that is being addressed by the county but that is not associated with this project. Financially, we are within our allocated budgeted amount and have planned the final expenditures. Due to the excellent work of the finance staff, as well as Facilities Manager Mark Griffeth, we have been able to prepare and submit an end plan that accomplishes our goals, stays within our budget and meets the BEP requirements assigned to this project by DCEO.

The new space has been extremely well received and heavily used by training organizations and other groups. Looking ahead, when the last “To-Do” is finally checked off, we would like to host an Open House to officially introduce the upgrade and recognize some of the people who have made it all come to fruition. We anticipate this planning to begin in earnest later next month or possibly into February. When known, the Governing Board will be made aware and encourages to participate.

Requested Board Action:

No Action required, information only

ILEAS FY25 Unmet Needs/Ballistic Shields

On 13 September, 2024 a list of unmet needs items including approximate cost and ILEAS prioritization was prepared and sent to IEMA-OHS. The items listed are able to be incorporated into an already approved and funded grant classification and all are scalable meaning that if only partial funding is available, we can do a portion of the purchase without having to quash the entire initiative. At the September 26th Governing Board Meeting, staff requested and was authorized to accept and execute the unmet needs list as presented in the event that funds were made available.

LEMAC Unmet Needs Priority

13 September, 2024

Priority	Agency	Item	Cost	Scalable	Description
1	ILEAS	Ballistic Shields	\$180,000	Yes	Continue deployment of ballistic shields to local LE agencies (20 Sets)

On or about 5 December, 2024 staff was notified that IEMA-OHS had identified \$190,000.00 that they were directing to the ILEAS Ballistic Shield Program. Due to the nature of the funding source, those identified funds were divided into \$95,000.00 for UASI area agencies and \$95,000.00 for non-UASI agencies. This funding distribution was discussed and approved during the financial report

including pending GAN's (grant adjustment notice).

ILEAS Grant and Training staff have worked together to put these funds to use. We currently have quotes for the United Shield 20X34 III+ Shield with viewport with W7K LED Light installed, (\$6,267.00) and the United Shield MXV-III A 20X34 Shield with Special HH handle and viewport with B50 LED light installed. (\$2,357.00)

- Staff proposes purchasing 10 sets of shields totaling \$86,240.00 to be distributed to UASI agencies and
- 9 sets of shields totaling of \$77,616.00 for non-UASI agencies.
(86,240+77,616=\$163,856 total)
- Factor in the probability of training cadre costs of \$20,500.00 for the 5 day "Train the Trainer" Shield Course.
- Estimated lodging for 9 non-UASI individuals for 5 nights is \$6,750.00.
- Any shortfall will be made up with existing grant training funds.

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ADDITIONAL 21 SHSP & UASI GRANT FUNDS FOR SHIELDS			
11.19.24			
	21SHILESRT	21UAILESRT	TOTAL
Grant Funds	\$ 95,000.00	\$ 95,000.00	\$ 190,000.00
Instructor Fees	\$ 10,250.00	\$ 10,250.00	\$ 20,500.00
Lodging for 9 shield recipients	\$ 6,750.00		\$ 6,750.00
Amount Remaining for Shields	\$ 78,000.00	\$ 84,750.00	\$ 162,750.00
			\$ -
Price per Shield Set	\$ 8,624.00	\$ 8,624.00	
# of Shield Sets per Grants	9	10	
Cost of Shields	\$ 77,616.00	\$ 86,240.00	\$ 163,856.00
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Remaining Amount	\$ 384.00	\$ (1,490.00)	\$ (1,106.00)
Lodging Costs Per Shield Recipient			
Lodging Cost Per Night	\$ 150.00		
# of Nights		5	
Lodging Costs Per Shield Recipient	\$ 750.00		

- Returning to our current list of applications, the review committee has recommended the following awards:

UASI	Broadview PD	Northlake PD
	Flossmoor PD	LaGrange PD
	Deerfield PD	Summit PD
	Brookfield PD	Arlington Heights PD
	Lincolnwood PD	Chicago Ridge PD
Non UASI	South Jacksonville PD	Hawthorn Woods PD
	Pingree Grove PD	SIU Edwardsville PD
	Lake Zurich PD	Mt. Vernon PD
	McLean County SO	DeKalb County SO
	St. Clair County SO	

Requested Board Action:

Information Only. Staff is requesting acknowledgement of this plan.

ICJIA Less Lethal Alternative for L.E. Grant

On 6 September, 2024 ILEAS signed the new grant agreement with ICJIA for \$5,000,000 for the Less Lethal Law Enforcement Alternative Grant. Applications for less lethal devices had started and RFP's for training vendors followed soon after. Of note:

- **404** of **919** eligible Illinois agencies applied for the Taser portion of the grant (44%)
- Of the **404** applicants **223** agencies (55%) were identified to receive all or partial awards based on their requests with an additional 12 agencies awarded later.
- **10,614** less lethal devices were requested in the application process. **1,383** awarded. (13%)
- Total cost of all Taser devices requested = **\$32,219,306**
- Total available for devices after training vendors and other costs = **\$4,135,668.00**

On October 1st, 223 agencies, to include the City of Chicago, were notified that they would be receiving a Taser award. Based on available funds the awards were capped to a maximum of 5 Tasers (Choice of Taser 7 or Taser 10). In many instances these awards fully met the recipient agencies request, in other cases it was a partial award based on their request.

Of Note:

- On November 1st, based on available funding another 12 agencies were notified they would be receiving an award, bringing the total number of agencies that applied verses received an award to 58%.
- *As agencies worked through the document and acquisition process, unfortunately a small handful have had to decline the award, mostly due to additional costs to bring the respective Taser platform to their department that they could not afford.
- ILEAS grant staff has confirmed with several agencies that they have already received part or all of their Taser orders, much quicker than anticipated.
- Staff continues to work with all the recipient agencies to help them navigate the processes and paperwork. The first round of reimbursement was received from the state on 9 December, 2024. Reimbursement checks to requesting agencies have begun to be issued.
- Lastly, ILEAS Staff have been in contact with the ICJIA legislative liaisons to formulate a plan on how to recommend to the State Legislature and the Governor's Office for appropriation of grant funding in the FY25 Budget. This will be a concerted effort moving forward to secure

this continual funding. (Talking Points Document included)

With respect to the training portion of the grant, ILEAS launched a Request for Proposal October 8th seeking qualified vendors to provide in-person training to sworn law enforcement. The proposals were to focus on less lethal alternatives topics such as de-escalation, procedural justice and cultural competency. Six vendors responded; **Force Science, Calibre Press, Axon, MTU 15, Real Training Systems and Be Sure Consulting**. After careful consideration of each Vendor, their capabilities, the training courses proposed, and the potential class size, **Force Science** and **Calibre Press** were selected. While still working through contract language:

Force Science is expected to host a Realistic De-escalation Instructor Course. This two day instructor level training course will allow officers to teach others in their department and/or area agencies to allow for an even bigger impact. The class will be held twice, once in the northern section of the state and another in the southern. The negotiated cost is **\$20,000 per class = \$40,000 total. Max occupancy of 85.**

Force Science is also expected to host a Fundamentals of Realistic De-escalation course. This one day "end user" course will be held **eight** times with varying locations throughout the state. The negotiated cost is **\$8,500 per class = \$68,000. Max occupancy of 85.**

With the two proposed courses, the total contractual cost with Force Science is **\$108,000.**

Calibre Press will host an Avoiding Preventable Uses of Force course. This one day "end-user" course will be offered in each of the 13 MTU's. The negotiated cost is **\$7,475 per class** with max occupancy of **100**. Total contract for **Calibre Press = \$97,175**

ILEAS will continue to work with the vendors and ICJIA to complete all necessary documentation and contractual agreements to move the project forward.

Requested Board Action:

ILEAS LLA Grant Staff is requesting authorization to enter into agreements with vendors **Force Science (\$108,000.00)** and **Calibre Press (\$97,175.00)** totaling **(\$205,175.00)** in order to provide numerous state-wide trainings on the instructor and end-user level related to de-escalation, and preventable uses of force per the requirements of the ICJIA LLA-LA Grant. Staff is requesting Board approval not to exceed **\$210,000.00**

NARCAN Grant Update and Purchase

Since 1 October, 2017 ILEAS has had a relationship with the Illinois Department of Public Health to provide NARCAN to first responders. Over the years our cooperation with IDPH has seen them become more and more confident in our ability to deliver on the ever changing restrictions and guidelines of this annual program. When IDPH has additional funds to spend, they contact ILEAS to see if we are able to receive the additional funds in order to support the grant program.

The current grant period will be ending 30 September, 2025. The program was initially a 4 year program that was extended another 4 years. This is the last year of the second 4 year grant cycle. The current grant original total is **\$207,703** and there may be an extra **\$200,000** available this year making the overall grant total **\$407,703**. There has been no specifics addressed about where this program goes after September 30,

2025. There is a reasonable expectation that there will be some continued mechanism to provide NARCAN and “Leave Behind Kits” to agencies into the future. Staff will be contacting agencies towards the end of this grant period to discuss ordering NARCAN. Additionally, the NARCAN being provided will have a 3 year shelf life to provide some flexibility into the future.

In the grant’s present form, there is a known expenditure of **\$43,560.00** for additional NARCAN and related program supplies. There is anticipation of an additional purchase of **\$200,000.00** in NARCAN as the year progresses towards the 30 September 2025 end date.

Requested Board Action:

Based on the current budget and 8 years of experience with this particular grant program, ILEAS staff requests board approval to purchase up to **\$245,000.00** worth of NARCAN and related supplies through the 30 September, 2025 expiration date.

RNC/DNC

RNC

ILEAS staff has worked very hard with representatives from IEMA-OHS, Milwaukee Police Department and Wisconsin Emergency Management to present a detailed but concise submission for reimbursement in regards to the Republican National Convention in July. At this point, amounts submitted are:

2024 RNC	Personnel	Per Diem	Mileage	Fee	Totals
Illinois State Police	\$38,090.17	\$2,040.00	\$1,021.86	\$0	\$41,152.03
Chicago Police Dept	\$723,216.45	\$28,725.00	\$838.49	\$0	\$750,454.94
ILEAS Agencies	\$674,503.16	\$47,536.00	\$4,585.81	\$0	\$722,780.97
ILEAS Personnel	\$10,613.53	\$1,532.00	\$0	\$0	\$12,145.53
ILEAS M&A Fee	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$32,778.69	\$32,778.69
Totals	\$1,446,423.31	\$79,833.00	\$6,446.16	\$32,778.69	\$ 1,565,481.16

In meetings held last week, Wisconsin Emergency Management and MPD received specific instructions from the Department of Justice covering the mechanics and standards required for Grant eligibility and reimbursement. Coordination continues between all agencies as we navigate what is proving to be lengthy and challenging process.

DNC

The DNC reimbursement portal will soon be open. Lessons being learned in the RNC process have created a need for more indepth discussion and care when deciding what supporting documentation will have to accompany the request to avoid the issues presented with the RNC compilation.

SIU Carbondale EOD Team

The SIU/Carbondale EOD Team has been a long standing member of the Bomb Squads supported by ILEAS and recognized by the FBI for many years in the State of Illinois.

To hold the designation as a certified Bomb Squad Team, an agency must staff a minimum number of personnel who have attended the FBI Hazardous Devices School. Like so many departments, retirements, military deployments and other reasons outside of their control have left this team outside of allowable standards to continue to be officially accredited. With an insufficient number of qualified personnel, they have been forced to stand the team down.

Per IEMA direction, ILEAS recovered the following items from this team on 20 November, 2024.

- Andros F6A Bomb Robot
- ICOR Mini Caliber SWAT robot
- 7 X 12 Haulmark Trailer
- X-ray Equipment
- Multiple Med Eng Bomb Suits

Since recovery, Special Teams Manager Frost and Inventory Control Coordinator Tony Shaw have been working with remaining Bomb Teams that ILEAS supports. Agencies with needs for available equipment will be identified and it transferred via MOU agreement.

As additional commentary, ILEAS began supporting EOD teams across Illinois as far back as 2009. There were a number of recognized entities positioned individually all trying to provide a service that requires an enormous financial and personnel investment. ILEAS was in a unique position to represent the scattered teams and see that some of their needs could be presented and met in a manner that they could not individually effect. For the 15 plus years that ILEAS has worked with the SIU Carbondale Team, we have found them to be motivated and committed to the mission. Even during the hour of their demise, they were consummate professionals and returned all expected gear without hesitation and in top form. ILEAS is sad to see them have to end their participation.

Requested Board Action:

No action at this time. Information only

Governing Board Election Date Determination and Process

According the LEMAA:

*Starting in 2015, the election of Governing Board members shall occur every two years in March of the year **on a date to be determined by the Governing Board members in office in the October prior to the date of the election.***

The next bi-annual Governing Board election process starts in January. As usual, it will begin with nominations in January thru February. The new Board will be seated at the March meeting. In the

meantime, please consider whether you want to remain on the Board or not. I ask that if you do not want to, think about nominating someone in your region that you think would be a good Board member for ILEAS.

Requested Board Action

Staff requests that the board select the dates of March 3rd thru 14th, 2025 for the Governing Board elections with the winners to be seated at the March meeting.

ILEAS Governing Board Meeting Dates for 2025

Per the ILEAS By-Laws, annual meeting dates are established by the President with advice and consent of the Governing Board. Additionally, there is a mandate that there be no less than four regular meetings throughout each year in addition to the annual Conference meeting.

Requested Board Action:

Staff recommends that President Metzler propose the following dates for regularly scheduled Governing Board meeting dates during 2025 and to be approved by the board.

- January 23rd
- April 1st (at the annual Conference)
- June 26th
- August 28th
- October 23rd
- December 11th