

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE
OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE
2022 STATE BODY ARMOR REPLACEMENT FUNDS**

WHEREAS, the Township of North Brunswick desires to apply and accept funding for the replacement of police bullet proof vests; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of North Brunswick reviewed the accompanying application and has approved said request; and

WHEREAS, the project is a joint effort between the State of New Jersey, Division of Criminal Justice and North Brunswick Township Police Department for the purpose described in the application.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, on this 19th Day of September, 2022 by the Township Council of North Brunswick Township, Middlesex County, State of New Jersey, that:

- 1) As a matter of public policy North Brunswick Township Police Department wishes to participate to the fullest extent possible with the State of New Jersey, Division of Criminal Justice.
- 2) The Division of Criminal Justice is responsible for the receipt and review of the applications for said funds.
- 3) The Township of North Brunswick will receive funding via electronic transfer of funds or in the form of a check for "FY 2022 State Body Armor Replacement Fund Program." The amount will be determined by the State of New Jersey at the time of the award.

Joseph A. Battaglia, Date
Chief of Police

Justine Progebin Date
Business Administrator

Cavel Gallimore Date
Chief Financial Officer

Ronald Gordon, Esq. Date
Township Attorney,
Approved as to Legal Form

ROLL CALL				
Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Notes
MS. HUTCHINSON				
MR. MEHTA				
MS. GUADAGNINO				
MR. ANDREWS				
MR. SOCIO				
MR. DAVIS				
MAYOR WOMACK				

I, Lisa Russo, Municipal Clerk hereby certify that the above Resolution was duly adopted by the Township Council of the Township of North Brunswick, County of Middlesex, at its meeting held on the 19th day September, 2022.

Lisa Russo
Township Clerk

Body Armor Application 2022

Agency Information	
Agency Id	354
DCJ Tracking Number	26529
Treasury Location Code	00
Tax ID	22-600-2154
Agency Name	North Brunswick Police
Agency Type	Local PD
County	Middlesex
Municipality	NORTH BRUNSWICK TWP.
Address	83710 Hermann Road
City, State, ZIP	North Brunswick, NJ 08902
Phone Number	(732) 247-0922 ext. 400
Fax Number	(732) 220-0761

Agency Contact Information	
Name	Mr. Brian Hoiberg
Title	Captain
Email Address	bhoibe@northbrunswicknj.gov
Address	710 Hermann Road
City, State, ZIP	North Brunswick, NJ 08902
Phone Number	(732) 247-0922 ext. 370
Fax Number	(732) 220-0761

Agency Head/Chief Law Enforcement Officer	
Name	Mr. Joseph A. Battaglia
Title	Chief of Police
Email Address	jlarkin@northbrunswicknj.gov
Address	710 Hermann Road
City, State, ZIP	North Brunswick, NJ 08902
Phone Number	(732) 247-0922 ext. 307
Fax Number	(732) 220-0761
Submission Date	08/25/2022
Current Officers	83, in 2021: 91

Chief Financial Officer	
Name	Ms. Cavel Gallimore
Title	CFO
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Financial History							
Year	# Officers	Funding	State Funded Expenditure	Cumulative Unexpended Balance	Vests Purchased	Reason Not Spent	Other Reason
1998	0	\$5,165.49	\$5,165.49	\$0.00	10		
1999	0	\$7,548.44	\$7,548.44	\$0.00	15		
2000	0	\$8,499.59	\$3,749.62	\$4,749.97	14		
2001	83	\$7,795.11	\$2,775.00	\$9,770.08	10		
2002	84	\$7,875.89	\$5,075.23	\$12,570.74	13	PRC	
2003	84	\$7,723.57	\$6,838.70	\$13,455.61	21	NIN	
2004	83	\$7,682.38	\$6,889.21	\$14,248.78	17	PRC	
2005	84	\$7,491.10	\$7,264.44	\$14,475.44	9	NIN	
2006	85	\$7,941.26	\$7,987.96	\$14,428.73	17	NIN	
2007	85	\$9,204.56	\$5,019.00	\$18,614.30	7	NIN	
2008	84	\$8,129.87	\$717.00	\$26,027.16	1		
2009	82	\$2,502.27	\$24,833.00	\$3,696.44	49	NIN	
2010	78	\$6,650.07	\$0.00	\$10,346.51	0	NIN	
2011	75	\$6,890.56	\$17,237.07	\$0.00	29		
2012	77	\$7,242.56	\$4,631.20	\$2,611.36	10	NIN	
2013	76	\$9,176.55	\$8,709.76	\$3,078.15	15	NIN	
2014	76	\$6,910.70	\$0.00	\$9,988.85	0		
2015	81	\$7,319.73	\$17,308.58	\$0.00	25		
2016	80	\$6,915.89	\$6,915.89	\$0.00	20		
2017	84	\$7,248.99	\$7,248.98	\$0.00	17		
2018	84	\$8,143.89	\$834.90	\$7,308.98	10		
2019	91	\$8,138.04	\$0.00	\$15,447.03	0		
2020	90	\$6,024.45	\$0.00	\$21,471.48	0		
2021	91	\$3,804.49	\$0.00	\$25,275.97	0		
Totals		\$172,025.45	\$146,749.48	\$25,275.97	309		



NORTH BRUNSWICK POLICE DEPARTMENT STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE

SUBJECT: BODY ARMOR		# OF PAGES: 4
EFFECTIVE DATE: September 11, 2020	ACCREDITATION STANDARDS: 1.6.2	
BY THE ORDER OF: Deputy Chief Joseph Battaglia		
BY AUTHORITY OF: Director Kenneth McCormick		

PURPOSE: To establish a uniform procedure for the care and use of personal body armor.

POLICY: It is the policy of the North Brunswick Police Department to maximize officer safety by providing its members with body armor for use in conjunction with prudent safety procedures and to require wearing of body armor while engaged in field activities.

PROCEDURES:

I. Availability and Use

- A. All sworn officers will have body armor issued to them or made available to them.
 - 1. This department shall make maximum use of federal, state and private grant opportunities to fund the purchase of body armor.
- B. All sworn officers will receive an initial issue of body armor to include a trauma pad/plate. The manufacturer of the body armor as well as its type and specifications will be decided by the Chief of Police but will minimally meet the requirements set forth by the State of New Jersey Body Armor Replacement Program. Minimally, the body armor should provide protection from a bullet fired from our department's standard sidearm.
- C. The replacement of body armor at the end of the manufacturer's suggested life span will be based on available funding. Absent available funding, officers may purchase their own new replacement body armor with the approval of the Chief of Police.
 - 1. To request the personal purchase of replacement body armor an officer must submit an official written request, through the chain of command, to the Chief of Police for approval.
 - 2. The written request must contain the name of the manufacturer, the type of ballistic vest, and all the related specifications.
 - 3. The proposed body armor must minimally meet the requirements set forth by the State of New Jersey Body Armor Replacement Program.
- D. All personnel involved in pre-planned high-risk situations shall wear body armor.
 - 1. The attending supervisor shall ensure that all participating personnel are properly equipped with and wearing body armor on all pre-planned high-risk situations.
- E. All sworn officers shall wear body armor at all times while on patrol in uniform engaged in patrol related activities. This is required to receive funds from the State of New Jersey Body Armor Replacement Program.
- F. Uniformed personnel assigned to administrative duties that generally require them to remain in police headquarters may elect not to wear the body armor.
- G. Detectives and plain-clothed personnel are not required to wear body armor while on-duty.
- H. If not wearing body armor, personnel should have it available for use if the situation presents itself.
- I. All personnel shall wear body armor while attending range sessions or any live fire training. Supervisory range staff shall inspect for body armor at all range sessions.

II. Administrative Responsibilities Including Care and Maintenance

- A. This department will replace body armor, for all regular full-time officers, which become unserviceable due to age, regular use, or damage from a job-related incident. Body armor that must be replaced due to abuse by the officer shall be paid for by the police officer.
 - 1. Abuse includes, but is not limited to, immersion in water or other liquids, cutting, puncturing or breaching of the ballistic panels, or exposure to corrosive substances not as a result of an official action.
 - 2. If the vest's outer shell, or carrier, becomes unserviceable before the ballistic panels, then the responsibility for replacing the shell is the individual officer's.
- B. Depending on the circumstances, officers may be fitted at this department or sent to the vendor to be fitted for body armor. The decision is based on the number of officers being fitted and the availability of a vendor representative.
- C. Supervisors are responsible for ensuring that body armor is worn and maintained as required by this directive.
- D. There shall be an annual inspection of all body armor for fit, cleanliness, signs of damage, wear, or abuse. The Chief of Police or designee will ordinarily determine when the annual inspection occurs.
- E. The serviceable life of body armor is dependent upon many factors. On the average, a vest should remain serviceable for about five (5) years. Depending on the conditions and the care given, a vest may last much longer than five years. Officers must be aware of the daily condition of their vest.
- F. Officers are responsible for the proper care and storage of body armor in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and a daily inspection for signs of wear, damage, and general cleanliness.
- G. As dirt and perspiration may erode the ballistic panels, each officer shall be responsible for cleaning their body armor in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
- H. Officers are responsible for reporting any damage or deficiency in their body armor, in writing, to their supervisor. The supervisor receiving such notification shall inspect the body armor to determine if the report is accurate. If accurate, the supervisor shall forward the report to the Chief of Police through the chain of command. The Chief of Police will determine if a replacement is needed and if so how the replacement is to be funded.

III. Training

- A. The Department's Designee shall be responsible for:

1. Monitoring technological advances in the body armor industry that may necessitate a change in body armor.
2. Assessing weapons and ammunition currently in use and the suitability of approved body armor to protect against those threats.
3. Providing training programs that demonstrate body armor's stopping power under actual firing conditions and that emphasize its safe and proper use.
4. Maintaining statistics on incidents where armor has or has not protected officers from harm, including traffic accidents.

IV. Retiring of Body Armor

- A. Body armor that has reached its useful life span may be retired.
- B. This agency will retire body armor in a responsible manner so as to deny access to it by any criminal element.
- C. The retirement of any body armor must be in accordance with this policy and must be approved by the Chief of Police prior to it being turned over to an approved new entity or before it is marked for destruction.
 1. The Chief of Police approval will be in writing and will be retained in agency records in accordance with the records retention schedule set forth by the State of New Jersey.
- D. Pre-approved entities that may receive body armor are:
 1. Any law enforcement agency in the United States or one of their auxiliaries.
 2. Any United States Military, reservists, National Guard, or one of their auxiliaries.
 3. Any foreign law enforcement agency after obtaining approval from the United States State Department.
- E. If body armor is personally owned by an officer he/she must dispose of it in a manner so as to deny access to it by any criminal element.