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Kingston Police Department Included in State Funding to Reduce Violence Crime

Kingston, N.Y.: The Kingston Police Department, in collaboration with the Ulster County District Attorney's Office, Sheriff's Office and Probation Department have been awarded \$179,175, the second in a two year funding cycle. The funds, administered by the NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services, will be shared and used to support firearm and violent crime reduction efforts.

"These funds are critical to the success of our strategies to address aggravated assaults, particularly domestic violence," stated Police Chief Egidio Tinti. "Our local initiative fits into New York State's broader effort to reduce violent crime."

Funds allocated for the Kingston Police Department include \$15,000 towards personnel costs to support directed patrols, gun related investigations, community outreach, and the implementation of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design; \$45,000 for crime analysis consulting services; \$2,000 for software; and \$500 for travel expenses related to training.

Along with the funding allocation, the partnership will receive technical assistance and training on topics such as: enhancing street outreach; partnering with community groups and social services organizations to communicate with chronic offenders the consequences of continued criminal behavior; using data to effectively target resources; and implementing Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design to address physical aspects of the community that contribute to areas being conducive to criminal activity.

"We are very pleased to be part of this important effort," stated Mayor Steve Noble. "This partnership allows us to more effectively address issues of violence that are unfortunately still prevalent in our society."

The funding year runs from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

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