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To: The Honorable Christopher T. Sununu  
Governor of the State of New Hampshire

The Honorable Jeb Bradley  
President of the NH Senate

The Honorable Sherman Packard  
Speaker of the NH House of Representatives

From: Robert L. Quinn, Commissioner; NH Dept. of Safety *Rd 2/10/2023*

CC: Richard Bailey, Jr. Assistant Commissioner of Safety  
Eddie Edwards, Assistant Commissioner of Safety  
Michael W. Kane, Legislative Budget Assistant  
Michael J. Landrigan, Office of Legislative Budget Assistant

Re: Reporting on Progress with RSA 21-P:66 and RSA 21-P:68

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As of December 31, 2022:

A total of \$1,200,000 was awarded to Counties and Municipalities across New Hampshire to conduct substance abuse enforcement activities in accordance with RSA 21-P:66. A summary of activities via expenditure is on the next page:

Grant Recipient	Budget	YTD Expenditures	Remaining
Berlin Police Department	\$30,000	\$0	\$30,000
Carroll County Sheriff's Office	10,000	0	10,000
Concord Police Department	45,000	0	45,000
Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office	70,000	0	70,000
Keene Police Department	30,000	0	30,000

Laconia Police Department	45,000	0	45,000
Lebanon Police Department	10,000	0	10,000
Manchester Police Department	490,000	5,590	484,410
Nashua Police Department	330,000	0	330,000
Rockingham County Sheriff's Office	70,000	0	70,000
Strafford County Sheriff's Office	70,000	0	70,000
<b>Total Awards to Locals/Counties</b>	<b>\$1,200,000</b>	<b>\$5,590</b>	<b>\$1,194,410</b>

Program awards were made in the late fall of 2022 with many operations starting in late November-December 2022. Expenditures and activities are expected to increase during future reporting periods. Please see page 4 for a summary table of all seizure activities.

**Additional NHSP Funding:**

346:316 Substance Abuse Enforcement Program; Appropriations.

I. The sum of \$618,632 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021 is hereby appropriated to the Department of Safety. This sum shall be expended as follows:

(a) \$180,632 shall be expended for the purpose of funding overtime at the state forensic laboratory as a result of increased caseloads attributable to narcotics related enforcement and investigations with no more than 50 percent of the appropriation expended in each fiscal year of the biennium ending June 30, 2023.

Class Description	Budget	Expenditures as of 12/31/2022	Balance
Overtime-Lab staff	\$ 64,265	\$ 16,941	\$ 47,324
Benefits	21,535	5,678	15,857
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 85,800</b>	<b>\$ 22,619</b>	<b>\$ 63,181</b>

(b) \$438,000 shall be expended for the purpose of funding overtime at the state Police for narcotics related enforcement and investigations with no more than 50 percent of the appropriation expended in each fiscal year of the biennium ending June 30, 2023.

Class Description	Budget	Expenditures as of 12/31/2022	Balance
Overtime-Troopers	\$ 153,735	\$ 98,226	\$ 55,509
Benefits	54,315	38,088	16,227
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 208,050</b>	<b>\$ 136,314</b>	<b>\$ 71,736</b>

**21-P:68 Cross Border Drug Interdiction Program:**

In accordance with RSA 21-P:68, the Commissioner of Safety established a cross-border drug interdiction program which consists of state troopers and Narcotics Investigation Unit (NIU) detectives to perform drug interdiction work targeted at, but not limited to, stemming the flow of illegal drugs into the state of New Hampshire. The Mobile Enforcement Team (MET) efforts are aimed at combating the opioid crisis

facing the state through the collaborative efforts of uniform, investigative, and forensics lab services in an ongoing, cross-border enforcement activity. A summary of expenditures is presented below:

<b>Class Description</b>	<b>Adjusted Authorized</b>	<b>Expenses and Encumbrances</b>	<b>Balance</b>
SALARIES	\$ 622,290	\$ 255,379	\$ 366,911
OVERTIME	338,638	144,946	193,692
CURRENT EXPENSES	75,905	51,536	24,369
RENTS-LEASES OTHER THAN STA	10,014	-	10,014
EQUIPMENT NEW REPLACEMENT	136,381	128,284	8,097
TELECOMMUNICATIONS	2,640	1,966	674
CONTRACTUAL MAINT BUILD-GRN	2,468	2,465	3
TRANSFER TO OTHER STATE AGENCIES	316	-	316
BENEFITS	476,810	175,037	301,773
EMPLOYEE TRAINING	5,000	4,386	614
IN/OUT TRAVEL	30,500	20,061	10,439
CONTRACTS FOR OP SERVICES	36,636	36,557	79
CATASTROPHIC CASUALTY INS	1,172	1,172	-
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 1,738,770</b>	<b>\$ 821,789</b>	<b>\$ 916,981</b>

#### **Activity Reports – 7/1/22 – 12/31/2022**

The following chart illustrates attributed drug seizures and activity for MET from 7/01/22 – 12/31/22 without Granite Shield (GS) funds. MET has been on numerous joint operations with NIU while GS funds were utilized to pay NIU, but MET was paid with other funds during those operations.

<b>FY 2023 NHSP MET TEAM Activity</b>	
<i>July 1, 2022 thru Dec 30, 2022</i>	
Arrests Total	52
Currency	\$122,831
Arrests- Possession Narcotics - Felony	23
Arrests Possession Narcotics w/intent -Felony	45
Weapons/guns	4
Crack Cocaine Grams	521.20
Cocaine Grams	4,782.50
Heroin (Black tar) Grams	0
Fentanyl Grams	7,232.20 (361,610 potential lethal doses)
Methamphetamine Crystal Grams	12,831.96
Methamphetamine Grams powder	0
Psilocybin Mushrooms Grams	0

Butane Honey Oil Grams	20
Marijuana/THC Grams	1,334.18
Unknown Pills	4
Motor Vehicle Seizure	0
Total Values of Drugs/Currency Seized this Period	\$2,647,740.64
<b>FY 2023 Granite Shield NHSP NIU Activity</b>	
<i>July 1, 2022 thru Dec 30, 2022</i>	
Arrests	57
Currency	\$174,681
Weapons	27
Cocaine Grams	2,444.50
Crack Cocaine Grams	0
Fentanyl Grams	3,277.60 (163,880 potential lethal doses)
Gabapentin Pills	0
Heroin Grams	0
Marijuana Grams	432
Mushroom Grams	30
Suboxone D/U	19
Unknown Pills	225
Methamphetamine Grams	19,045

- Weapons = multiple handguns, rifles, airsoft look-alikes; ammunition; knives, etc.
- Paraphernalia = packaging materials, scales, consumption products

Local Agency Granite Shield Totals Ending 31 December 2022

Agencies	Arrests	Currency Value USD	Weapons	Cocaine Grams	Crack Cocaine Grams	Fentanyl Grams	Fentanyl-Meth Grams	Heroin-Fentanyl Grams	Marijuana Grams	Methamphetamine Grams	Suboxone Pills	Unknown Pills
Berlin Police Department	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carroll County Sheriff	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Concord Police Department	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hillsborough County Sheriff	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Keene Police Department	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Laconia Police Department	9	-	-	-	-	49	12	-	25	23	2	2
Lebanon Police Department	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Manchester Police Department	3	\$1,061	-	46	81.5	10.5	-	77.8	60	1.2	-	60
Nashua Police Department	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rockingham County Sheriff	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	10	-	10	-	-
Strafford County Sheriff	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Totals</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>\$1,061</b>		<b>49</b>	<b>81.5</b>	<b>59.5*</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>87.8</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>34.2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>62</b>

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\* equivalent to 2,975 potential lethal doses.