

## North Carolina STATE BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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The Honorable Phil Berger President Pro Tempore North Carolina Senate Legislative Building, Room 2008 Raleigh, NC 27601-2808

The Honorable Thom Tillis Speaker of the House North Carolina House of Representatives Legislative Building, Room 2304 Raleigh, NC 27601-1096

Dear President Pro Tem Berger, Speaker Tillis, and Members of the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations:

As you may know, the State Bureau of Investigation (SBI) participates in the Equitable Sharing of Federally Forfeited Property Program with the U.S. Department of Justice and the U.S. Department of Treasury. The SBI is grateful for the availability of federal forfeiture funds to enhance our law enforcement capabilities. Your support of these important efforts is greatly appreciated.

As of January 7, 2014, the SBI Federal Forfeiture Fund had an unencumbered balance of \$2,082,925.66. The SBI reports its intent to use \$779,000.00 leaving a balance of \$1,303,925.66 in our asset forfeiture account.

Pursuant to applicable law, the SBI reports its intent to use federal forfeiture funds as listed on the following page.

Sincerely,

Skeddry S. McLeod

Director





ITEM REQUESTED	AMOUNT
<u>Title III Upgrades, Communication/Surveillance Equipment</u> : Server and storage upgrades to the Lincoln and IP Camera Systems. Current servers are outdated. Undercover Repeaters are outdated. The upgrades are needed to insure the continued seamless operation of investigations and apprehension of criminals.	\$155,000.00
SBI Recruitment/Management System: The SBI maintains a comprehensive recruitment program targeted at obtaining the most qualified applicants. The SBI is nationally accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA). These funds are needed to pay for the costs of the accreditation, travel expenses for the assessors, and other expenses associated with the ongoing re-accreditation process. This management system will allow the SBI Accreditation Manager to possess an all-inclusive solution for the electronic maintenance and administration of policies, certification, and other document-based elements vital to the CALEA accreditation process. The funds will be used for these purposes.	\$55,000.00
3D Crime/Accident Scene Scanner & Software Packages: Advanced technology for scanning crime and fire scenes. The package contains 3D Scanners, including software updates, accessories, and 3-day onsite training course. This enhanced capability will allow the SBI to assist local departments in providing state of the art technology in collecting data at a crime scene.	\$145,000.00
<b>Specialized Training:</b> These funds will be used for specialized training and equipment required for professional development and / or certification required for SBI employees.	\$100,000.00
SBI Mobile Command Center (MCC) Refurbishment: The MCC vehicle, while 15 years old, is mechanically sound. However it contains outdated technology which has become increasingly difficult to support and is inadequate in supporting modern law enforcement mobile operations. The MCC requires a technical refurbishment solution to bring the vehicle up to modern communication and information management standards.	\$167,000.00
Moveable & Replacement Equipment: Equipment/Supplies/Personal Protective Items are needed to replace aging and inefficient items that support operational functions in the various divisions, Field Operations, Special Operations, Professional Standards, and Administration.	\$157,000.00
GRAND TOTAL:	\$779,000.00