

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 High Intensity Drug Trafficking (HIDTA)

\$40 million for competitive grants to provide assistance and equipment to local law enforcement along the southern border and in High-Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas to combat narcotics activity stemming from the southern border.

Wyoming has participated with the Rocky Mountain HIDTA since 1998 and has six designated HIDTA counties; Laramie, Albany, Sweetwater, Uinta, Natrona and Campbell. Four of DCI's five Regional Drug Enforcement Teams receive HIDTA funding.

HIDTA funding provides for a portion of special agents and task force officers (TFO's) overtime and travel expenses, in addition to a full-time administrative assistant (contract employee) for the Southeast Enforcement Team, Cheyenne office. Local agencies that receive HIDTA funds; Albany County Sheriff's Office, Sweetwater County Sheriff's Office, Natrona County Sheriff's Office, Campbell County Sheriff's Office, Green River Police Department, Laramie County District Attorney's Office and Natrona County District Attorney's office receive funding for personnel expenses.

Wyoming DCI is the fiduciary for all local HIDTA agencies.

No match requirements.

These funds provide the State with more spending authority if grant is awarded through competitive application process.

It is unknown at this time as to what amount Wyoming may receive. This is competitive grant that is applied through the Rocky Mountain HIDTA Office in Denver, Colorado.

All monies must be encumbered by September 30, 2010.