



**MAYOR'S OFFICE OF  
EMERGENCY  
MANAGEMENT**

MICHELLE WU  
Mayor



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Chief Shumeane Benford  
Somerville Police Department  
220 Washington St  
Somerville MA, 02143

Dear Chief Benford,

Pursuant to MOA 63511 between the City of Boston and the City of Somerville, the Mayor's Office of Emergency Management (OEM) is pleased to notify you that the Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) FFY23 funding (CFDA#97.067) under the Safety and Security Goal Area supports the City of Somerville Police Department's Active Shooter Training.

OEM is able to support the cost of this initiative not to exceed Two Hundred and Seventy-Four Thousand Dollars (\$274,000). The project must be in compliance with all local, state and federal requirements. This project must conform to the specifications laid out in the FFY23 UASI Plan Project Justification U23 – 1.2 *Regional SWAT Sustainability*. Any equipment not already listed in that Project Justification requires prior approval from OEM. The execution of training also requires additional approval and notification to OEM and EOPSS prior to completion. All equipment must appear on FEMA's Authorized Equipment List. Procurement must comply with Chapter 30B of the Massachusetts General Laws.

Once procurement is completed and invoices have been paid, please submit a signed letter to OEM indicating the amount requested for reimbursement and referencing this award letter and the corresponding UASI grant year. Included with the letter, please submit proof of 30B compliance: copies of agency purchase orders, vendor invoices, and proof of payment to OEM for reimbursement. Final reimbursement request must be submitted to OEM by May 31, 2026. Failure to provide accurate documentation in a timely matter could result in refusal to reimburse your agency for incurred costs.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Stephen Maguire at (617) 343-2400 or [stephen.m.maguire@Boston.gov](mailto:stephen.m.maguire@Boston.gov).

Sincerely,

Andrew Bloniarz  
Deputy Director