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THE SMALL RURAL TRIBAL BODY-WORN CAMERA PROGRAM NEWSLETTER

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Success Stories ... from Chickasha (OK) Police Department, an agency with 23 full-time officers and 10 BWCs ...

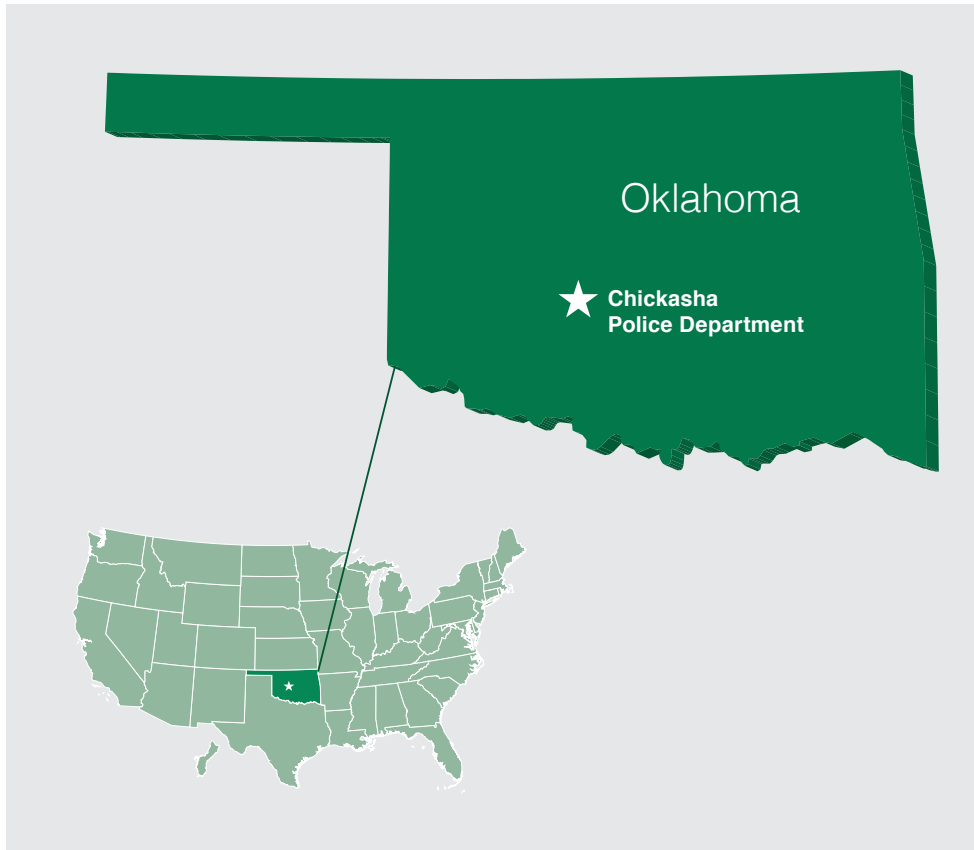
“[We] used BWC footage to dispel a past claim of excessive force.”
(December 2022).

“Using BWC continues to independently prove our officers do the right thing. Footage helped to dispel what a juvenile told his parent about officers using force. The BWC clearly disproved what the juvenile told his mother.”
(September 2022).

“A use of force/officer involved shooting was reviewed... and video clearly helped confirm that a suspect came to his door with a weapon when the

officer shot him. The BWC showed the hand that held the weapon and also confirmed it to be a long gun and not a handgun. The BWC also confirmed the suspect’s actions and the placement of many witnesses and victims who claimed things that were not truthful.”
(May 2022).

Many grantee agencies are sending their success stories as part of their monthly reports. Please continue to do so. If you haven’t submitted a story, please start! We will post your success story on our website and in this newsletter.



Funding Available

Apply NOW for the Body-Worn Camera program. There’s still time. The deadline is Friday, February 17, 2023.

The application kit is on-line and simple to use. Need help? Contact us here

You may apply if you are ...

- 1) a law enforcement department with 50 or fewer full-time sworn personnel;
- 2) a rural agency (those agencies within non-urban or non-metro counties); and
- 3) a federally-recognized tribal agency.

Funds must be used to purchase or lease body-worn cameras and may include expenses reasonably related to a comprehensive BWC program. Funding can be used to support pilot BWC programs, establish new BWC implementation, or expand existing programs.

Grant funds cannot be used for BWCs that have already been purchased.

A one-to-one match is required and can be an “in-kind” match

(see the webinar on [Making the Match](#))

The easy-to-use application is available [HERE](#).



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