



MEMORANDUM

City of Venice

Police Department

TO: Ed Lavallee, City Manager

FROM: Chief Student, STUDENT GOVERNMENT PROJECT

DATE: October 3, 2019

COUNCIL APPROVAL: Yes

MEETING DATE: November 7, 2019

STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL: Choose an item.

SUBJECT: Purchase Impairment Goggles, Support Students against Destructive Decisions, (National Program)

Background: Statistics reveal that underage drinking and marijuana use, especially for high school students are responsible for killing our children at an alarming rate. The facts show that sometimes it takes very little alcohol to become legally drunk. Several factors can weigh in on one's drunkenness. Drunk simulation goggles teach people of all ages what it is like to be over the limit and how the impairment affects reaction time behind the wheel.

Wearing drunk simulation goggles, also known as fatal vision goggles or beer goggles, let an individual experience a realistic impaired vision: reduced alertness, slowed reaction time, confusion, visual distortion, altered depth and distance perception, reduced peripheral vision, poor judgment and decision making, double vision, and lack of muscular coordination.

The program kit includes six Fatal Vision Alcohol Simulation Goggles to demonstrate the effects of alcohol impairment at five estimated blood alcohol concentration, (BAC) levels. Participants are encouraged to engage in a hands-on demonstration which allows them to experience with a sober mind, the simulated physical and cognitive impairments of alcohol, including slowed reaction time, reduced peripheral vision, and equilibrium loss. This experience helps participants realize how susceptible they are to the potentially dangerous consequences while driving impaired, and even while walking.

Includes:

6 – Fatal Vision Goggles with Cleaning Cloth Bags

1 – Backpack

1 – Germicidal Wipes

1 – “Walk the Line” Tape

- 1 – TVL Lens Combo Pack
- 1 – Fatal Vision Evidence-Based Program Support Materials
- 1 – Smash Match Impairment Challenge
- 1 – DIES Winding Sidewalk Mat
- 1 – DIES Roadside Sobriety Test and Stairs Challenge Mat

Fatal Vision Goggles also simulate marijuana's true effects by diminishing the participant's capacity to make quick, accurate decisions thus causing a person to miss important external cues that could lead to an accident. The goggles accomplish this by impairing the ability to perceive the color red. This lack of perception means the participant does not have all the necessary information to complete specially designed activities.

Fatal Vision Goggles are an excellent teaching aid for alcohol and marijuana misuse and abuse. The glasses are a great tool to educate high school students who are not yet legally able to drink. Many students giggle when first trying on the goggles, but then quickly come to realize with a sober mind that performing simple tasks such as walking a straight line or driving a golf cart around a set of cones at low speeds is quite challenging. The goggles serve an intelligent purpose to educate everyone about the dangers of destructive decisions.

The Fatal Vision Marijuana Simulation Experience Event Kit is a complete package with six activities and the required accessories to help teach about the potentially dangerous consequences of recreational marijuana use. Lessons and activities demonstrate visual perception loss, short-term memory loss, altered visual perception and slowed reaction time and decision-making.

The Venice Police Department's intent is to engage and educate our students and community about this growing health and safety concern.

Includes:

- 1 – Fatal Vision Marijuana Simulation Experience Goggles with cleaning cloth bag
- 1 – Backpack
- 12 – Activity Balls with 3 fabric boxes
- 400 – Executive Function Double-sided Mazes with 10 LED Activity Pens
- 1 – USB with Road Scenes and User Guide
- 1 – DVD – Marijuana: Does Legal Mean Safe?
- 1 – Grid Mat Activity (1 Grid Mat with Numbers, 12 Activity Lights)
- 1 – DIES (Danger in Every Step) Distracted Driving Activity Mat

The Venice Police Department will use the goggles to educate the Venice Community's Students of the impairment dangers and to support the national, "Students against Destructive Decisions" Program.

Requested Action: Request authorization to utilize the Forfeiture Fund to purchase one (1) Fatal Vision Kit (drunk simulation) and one (1) Fatal Vision Kit (marijuana impairment simulation), for a total estimated cost of \$3,600.00

City Attorney Review/Approved: N/A

Risk Management Review: N/A

Finance Department Review/Approved: N/A

Funds Availability (account number): 106-0000-351.20-00

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Cc: L. Senne, Finance Director, R. Brown, Admin. Asst., Records, Accreditation