



## GRANDVIEW POLICE DEPARTMENT 2007-2008 3/10ths Update

Thanks to the voters of Yakima County, the Grandview Police Department has been able to increase uniformed officer presence on our streets, expand public service program availability, place an officer in our local schools, and purchase new never-before-possible equipment to improve officer safety and offer more options in specialized law enforcement activity. We are thankful the voters considered these factors a priority as we continue to expand the availability of services and effective enforcement options that make Grandview a safer place to live.



With 3/10<sup>th</sup> money, Grandview has been able to hire two and a half (2 ½) additional uniformed patrol officers. This enhancement has addressed:

- officer safety issues
- increased visibility in the community as a deterrent
- provided quicker response to calls for service
- the ability to better concentrate manpower when needed
- ability to place a uniformed SRO officer into Grandview schools, (50% funded by 3/10<sup>th</sup> and 50% supported by the School District)

With 3/10<sup>th</sup> money, new and upgraded equipment has been purchased, for example:

- Two tasers
- Two portable radios
- One radar unit

With 3/10<sup>th</sup> money, we have made overtime money available with which to conduct emphasis operations with multiple officers much more frequently than in the past:

- monitoring and mitigating any increased issues with gang-like activity
- enhanced focus and enforcement to help with problems after school
- arrest warrant service – taking thousands of dollars worth of warrants “off the books”
- more vigorous and proactive pursuit of illegal narcotics violations

With 3/10<sup>th</sup> money, our local court was able to hire a process server to deliver legal papers:

- subpoenas
- court documents
- reports

This service frees officers to focus on what **should** be their priority ... public safety



## GRANDVIEW POLICE DEPARTMENT Cont.

When the voters approved the 3/10<sup>th</sup> sales tax for Law and Justice in 2004, we pledged to expend these funds in a responsible way to improve a multitude of law enforcement activities. We believe we have made great strides in providing 1) additional officers, 2) more enforcement options for our officers, 3) new and improved equipment made available by technology advances, and 4) funds to allow more specialized enforcement for unique and potentially volatile criminal activity. We continue to strive towards making our agency even better, thus being in a position to offer more concentrated, efficient, and professional public safety service to the citizens of Grandview.

We restate our pledge to make every effort at spending any future funding in a responsible, efficient, and cost-effective manner for law enforcement and judicial activity. In this way we might offer to continue expanding the availability of programs, services, and effective law enforcement activities that continue to make Grandview a safer place to live for all of us.