

## News from U.S. Rep. Adam Smith (WA-09)

Chairman, House Armed Services Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities; Member, House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence; vice-chair of the New Democrat Coalition.

# Fiscal Year 2010 Project Requests (Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies)

**Project Name:** Pierce County Regional Gang Prevention Partnership

**Amount:** \$1,000,000

**Recipient:** Safe Streets Campaign

**Address:** 1501 Pacific Avenue, Suite 305

**City:** Tacoma

**State:** WA

**Zip:** 98402

**Explanation:** This funding will be used to continue efforts for prevention and intervention entities to reach out to youth and families impacted by gangs. This is a good use of taxpayer funds because the project will provide support to law enforcement officials to ensure that communities stay safe from gang violence.

**Project Name:** Public Safety Mapping System for Washington State

**Amount:** \$1,500,000

**Recipient:** Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs

**Address:** 3060 Willamette Drive NE, #200

**City:** Lacey

**State:** WA

**Zip:** 98516

**Explanation:** This funding will be used to create a system that makes critical infrastructure and facility information available to emergency responders about the twenty public four-year colleges and universities in Washington State. This is a good use of tax payer funds because it will enhance the ability of first responders and public safety personnel to respond to emergencies at universities in Washington State, thus improving the safety of students, faculty, and the surrounding communities.

**Project Name:** Puyallup Justice Center Project

**Amount:** \$480,000

**Recipient:** Puyallup Tribe of Indians

**Address:** 3009 Portland Avenue

**City:** Tacoma

**State:** WA

**Zip:** 98404

**Explanation:** This funding will be used to purchase security and communications equipment for the Puyallup Tribe's detention center. This is a good use of taxpayer funds because it will allow the Tribe to safely and securely detain criminals.

**Project Name:** Records Management System

**Amount:** \$1,000,000

**Recipient:** City of Lacey

**Address:** 420 College Street SE

**City:** Lacey

**State:** WA

**Zip:** 98509

**Explanation:** This funding will be used to purchase hardware and software components for a new records management system to be used by law enforcement agencies in Thurston County. This is a good use of taxpayer funds because it will enable officials to exchange information seamlessly among regional partners. Coordination will increase public safety, more effectively utilize police resources in the region, increase communication between agencies, and provide a more efficient system to reduce operational redundancies.

**Project Name:** Superior Court Criminal Tracking System

**Amount:** \$2,000,000

**Recipient:** King County

**Address:** 516 Third Avenue, Room 1200

**City:** Seattle

**State:** WA

**Zip:** 98104

**Explanation:** This funding would be used to develop a single information system that would provide comprehensive data sharing among criminal justice agencies, state and local law enforcement officials, and the courts in King County. This is a good use of taxpayer funds because it will improve the ability of these law enforcement organizations to share information, make informed criminal justice decisions, and track criminals moving through the system.

**Project Name:** Valley Cities Public Safety Wireless Regional Broadband Network

**Amount:** \$3,000,000

**Recipient:** City of Auburn

**Address:** 25 West Main Street

**City:** Auburn

**State:** WA

**Zip:** 98001

**Explanation:** This funding will be used to construct a fiber and wireless broadband network to streamline communications throughout the Valley Cities including Auburn, Renton, Kent, Tukwila, Algona, and Pacific. This is a good use of tax payer funds because it will provide better communications in a mutual aid or disaster response situation.

**Project Name:** Washington State Meth Initiative

**Amount:** \$2,000,000

**Recipient:** Pierce County Alliance

**Address:** 510 Tacoma Avenue South

**City:** Tacoma

**State:** WA

**Zip:** 98402

**Explanation:** This funding will be used to continue investigations of clandestine meth labs, treatment programs for those addicted to methamphetamine, and mobilize education and prevention efforts. This is a good use of taxpayer funds because the program has had a profound effect in mitigating the local meth epidemic and has reduced the number of meth incidents in the state.