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Ohio Governor Mike DeWine has announced additional support for local law enforcement body-worn camera programs around the state.

As part of the fifth round of the Ohio Body-Worn Camera Grant Program, the Ohio Department of Public Safety's Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS) will award \$4.4 million in funding to help local law enforcement agencies across Ohio pay for body-worn camera equipment and associated costs.

Police Department will receive \$8,999.99. Governor DeWine created the Ohio Body-Worn Camera Grant Program in 2021. A total of 131 law enforcement agencies will receive a grant award, including 10 agencies that will use funding to establish new body-worn camera programs and 121 agencies that will dedicate funding toward expanding or upgrading existing technology.

In total, 370 law enforcement agencies have received funding as part of the initiative.

"Today, body-worn cameras on law enforcement officers are commonplace; they protect both the public and our first responders," said Governor DeWine. "My upgrade administration is proud to have helped hun-

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