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SUFFOLK'S WATERWAYS NOW SAFER

SUFFOLK, Virginia (September 24, 2009) The City of Suffolk believes it has taken a major step toward being a viable partner in the support of security for the Hampton Roads Port. The City has been notified that the Police Department will receive \$386,450 through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Port Security Grant Program. This money will be used to replace an outdated police boat with a new boat, replace an aging dive support truck, replace a boat motor of one of the current serviceable boats and purchase other marine and dive equipment. According to Debbie George, city spokesperson, "With these assets, the Police Department will be able to better patrol the Suffolk waterways and assist the United States Coast Guard and other local agencies in regional port security. With the continued threat of both foreign and domestic terrorism, all agencies must work together to provide a cohesive security force."

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