



Santa Rosa Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Bob Johnson

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To: Santa Rosa County Board of County Commissioners

From: Sheriff Bob Johnson

RE: Santa Rosa County Sheriff's Office vehicle procurement and disposal

Procurement

The Sheriff's Office procures vehicles through the Florida Sheriffs Association Cooperative Purchasing Program. This program provides a list of approved vehicle vendors that offer pursuit-rated vehicles at government pricing. Vehicles and specifications are requested through these designated dealers, and once quotes are received, a purchase order (P.O.) is issued. When the vehicles arrive—often after an extended period if they are still in the factory build phase—the Fiscal Department processes payment of the P.O.

Specialty vehicles, including those used for undercover operations or assigned to civilian personnel, are purchased through local dealerships whenever possible. The Agency conducts a thorough market review to ensure the most fiscally responsible purchase is made prior to acquiring any specialty vehicle.

Below is a list of vehicles acquired during FY2025.

DESCRIPTION	ACQUISITION	FUND	UNIT COST	CONTRACT PRICE
2023 DODGE CHARGER	10/31/2024	140	\$33,995.00	\$36,876.00
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2025 FORD F-150 TRUCK	05/26/2025	140	\$48,958.00	\$48,958.00
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2025 FORD F-150 TRUCK	06/04/2025	140	\$48,958.00	\$48,958.00
2025 FORD F-150 TRUCK	09/30/2025	140	\$48,958.00	\$48,958.00
2025 CHEVROLET TAHOE	08/04/2025	140	\$52,343.36	\$52,343.36
2025 CHEVROLET TAHOE	08/19/2025	140	\$52,343.36	\$52,343.36
2025 CHEVROLET TAHOE	09/09/2025	140	\$52,343.36	\$52,343.36
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2020 GMC TERRAIN SUV	11/08/2024	FORFEIT	\$0.00	AT AUCTION
2022 NISSAN FRONTIER	12/20/2024	FORFEIT	\$0.00	UNDERCOVER
2011 DODGE CHALL	01/03/2025	FORFEIT	\$0.00	UNDERCOVER



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2024 HYUNDAI ELANTRA	04/21/2025	INS.	\$21,000.00	UNDERCOVER
2023 ENCLOSED TRAILER	06/26/2025	INS.	\$13,856.00	DRT
2019 BMW ALPI87 CAR	06/19/2025	UNCLAIM	\$0.00	AT AUCTION

Vehicle Upfitting

All procured vehicles are professionally upfitted to meet Agency standards. The Agency standardizes its equipment to ensure uniformity, reliability, and safety across the fleet. Whelen equipment is used exclusively for all emergency lighting systems. Westin and Setina products are utilized for partitions, push bumpers, consoles, and other required metal components. In-car radios are procured through Motorola, and radar systems are procured through Stalker. Each fiscal year cost comparisons and proposals are reviewed to determine best cost.

A local, Agency-approved upfitter is used for the installation of all equipment. This ensures consistency in vehicle configuration and adherence to the Agency's operational and safety standards. All lighting equipment carries a seven (7) year manufacturer's warranty, and the upfitter's workmanship is warrantied for one (1) year.

Disposal of Vehicles

Patrol vehicles that are involved in accidents and declared a total loss are stripped of all markings and equipment and surrendered to the insurance company. Proceeds from these vehicles are deposited into an insurance fund maintained by the Fiscal Department and may be used to purchase replacement vehicles.

Aging patrol vehicles are disposed of through several methods. Some high-mileage vehicles are donated to less-resourced counties or to the State Prison System. In the past, vehicles have also been donated to the local law enforcement academy.

Most patrol vehicles, once they reach retirement age, are stripped of all markings and upfitted equipment and then sold to local (in-county) salvage yards or retained as parts vehicles when feasible. Any equipment removed is either reused on new vehicles or utilized to repair equipment on other vehicles of the same make, model, and year. Equipment that cannot be reused is disposed of in accordance with applicable regulations.

Seized vehicles are sold at auction after completing the court process and being formally surrendered to the Sheriff's Office. Some seized vehicles are retained for undercover operations and assigned to appropriate units. Proceeds from the sale of seized vehicles are maintained in a designated seizure fund.



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Below is a list of vehicles disposed of during FY2025, and the reason for disposal.

ASSET DESCRIPTION	RETIRE DATE	STATUS CODE	REASON
2006 FORD F-350	10/09/2024	DISPOSED	MECH ISSUES
2018 DODGE CHARGER	10/30/2024	DISPOSED	DONATED TO PROBATION
2017 NISSAN ALTIMA	05/05/2025	DISPOSED	SOLD TO GET UNDERCOVER VEHICLE
2016 TOYOTA CAMRY	05/05/2025	DISPOSED	SOLD TO GET UNDERCOVER VEHICLE
2019 DODGE CHARGER	09/09/2025	DISPOSED	TOTALED FROM CRASH
2020 CHEVROLET TAHOE	06/18/2025	DISPOSED	MECH ISSUES
2020 DODGE CHARGER	03/04/2025	WRECKED	TOTALED FROM CRASH
2020 CHEVROLET TAHOE	01/09/2025	DISPOSED	TOTALED FROM CRASH
2020 GMC TERRAIN SUV	07/10/2025	DISPOSED	AT AUCTION

See attached insurance audit trail.

Vehicle Fleet Maintenance

In January 2024, the Sheriff's Office transitioned to a new vendor for fleet maintenance services. Under the current arrangement, vehicles that are no longer covered by factory warranty and require maintenance or repair are serviced at the vendor's repair facility located in the southern end of the county.

The following comparison outlines the key differences between the previous fleet maintenance vendor and the current contracted vendor, with emphasis on cost structure, warranty coverage, service delivery, and operational impact.

Category	Previous Vendor	Current Vendor
Labor Rate	\$130 per hour	\$120 per hour
Parts Pricing	Cost plus 35%	Cost plus 20%
Warranty Coverage	No implied warranty	24 months / 24,000 miles (parts and labor)

Overall, the current vendor has reduced labor and parts costs, introduced comprehensive warranty coverage, and significantly improved vehicle turnaround time, resulting in enhanced fleet availability and operational efficiency.

If any additional information is needed, to include prior fiscal years, please let me know and I will provide it.