The Department of Justice (DOJ) Equitable Sharing Program (Program) has been assigned a new CFDA number 16.922. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance is a government-wide designation for Federal payments, such as the Equitable Sharing Program.

As you prepare for your next annual A-133 audit, please note that this number must be used in all future A-133 audit submissions to report DOJ equitable sharing activity. Program activity should be reviewed by the independent auditor and included on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards using the new CFDA number.

The Guide to Equitable Sharing for State and Local Law Enforcement Agencies, Section X.B., requires qualifying state and local law enforcement agencies that receive federally shared cash, proceeds, or tangible property to perform an audit consistent with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular A-133. Treasury Forfeiture Fund Program activity should also be reviewed by the independent auditor and included on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards using CFDA number 21.000.

Upon completion of the A-133 audit, the auditor must enter the audit information in the Federal Audit Clearinghouse database. AFMLS is prepared to assist your A-133 coordinator in submitting your reports to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse. Please contact AFMLS at A133sharing@usdoj.gov with any further questions regarding A-133 and instructions for entering audits into the Federal Audit Clearinghouse.

Inter-Agency Transfers of Equitable Sharing Funds

Section VIII.A.1.l of the Guide to Equitable Sharing for State and Local Law Enforcement, permits transfers of shared funds to any compliant Program participant. These transfers are used most frequently when a task force is the
recipient of the sharing funds and subsequently transfers funds to its member state and local law enforcement agencies. Each member agency of a task force receiving transferred equitably shared funds MUST be a participant in the Program. Both the transferring and recipient agencies must report these transfers on their Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification Form at the end of their respective fiscal years. It is the task force leader’s responsibility to ensure that all recipient member agencies are not only Program participants, but also compliant in the Program at the time of transfer. These reporting and compliance requirements apply to all inter-agency transfers.

AFMLS provides a link on its website in order to facilitate the verification process. Please visit www.justice.gov/criminal/afmls and click on the Agency Compliance link. A list of all 50 states and territories will appear and you will be able to select the state of the recipient agency. If the agency you wish to transfer funds to appears on this list, it is currently compliant and you may proceed with the transfer. Transferring agencies should confirm the recipient agencies’ compliance each time a transfer occurs and retain a copy of the screen shot for compliance confirmation as the website is updated daily.

Please be sure to stop by AFMLS booth # 548 at the National Sheriff’s Association Conference in Nashville, TN June 18-19, 2012

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