



**Annual Report on the Police Use of Military Equipment**

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**Introduction:**

This report provides a comprehensive assessment of the Brea Police Department's (BPD) use of military equipment in compliance with Assembly Bill (AB) 481. The purpose of this report is to provide transparency, accountability, and insights into the department's acquisition, deployment, and usage of military equipment during the reporting period.

On September 30, 2021, the Governor of the State of California approved AB 481 requiring law enforcement agencies to obtain approval of the applicable governing body (Mayor and City Council) by adoption of a military equipment use policy. The department is required to seek City Council approval of their military equipment use procedure by ordinance at a regular open meeting prior to taking certain actions relating to the funding, acquisition, or use of military equipment, as defined.

The bill allows the governing body to approve the funding, acquisition, or use of military equipment within its jurisdiction only if it determines that the military equipment meets specified standards. The ordinance is subject to an annual City Council review to determine whether, based on an annual military equipment report, the standards set forth in the approving ordinance have been met. The City Council may renew the authorizing ordinance, disapprove authorization for particular military equipment where standards have not been met, or require modifications to the military equipment use procedure to address any non-compliance with standards.

AB 481 requires a law enforcement agency that receives approval for military equipment use to submit an annual military equipment use report. The use report is for each type of military equipment approved by the governing body within one year of approval and annually thereafter for as long as the military equipment is available for use. The law enforcement agency shall also make each annual military equipment report required by this section publicly available on its internet website for as long as the military equipment is available for use.

The annual military equipment report shall include the following information for the immediately preceding calendar year for each type of military equipment:

- (1) A summary of how the military equipment was used and the purpose of its use.
- (2) A summary of any complaints or concerns received concerning the military equipment.
- (3) The results of any internal audits, any information about violations of the military equipment use policy, and any actions taken in response.
- (4) The total annual cost for each type of military equipment, including acquisition, personnel, training, transportation, maintenance, storage, upgrade, and other ongoing costs, and from what source funds will be provided for the military equipment in the calendar year following submission of the annual military equipment report.
- (5) The quantity possessed for each type of military equipment.
- (6) If the law enforcement agency intends to acquire additional military equipment in the next year, the quantity sought for each type of military equipment.

Within 30 days of submitting and publicly releasing an annual military equipment report pursuant to this section, the law enforcement agency shall hold at least one well-publicized and conveniently located community engagement meeting, at which the general public may discuss and ask questions regarding the annual military equipment report and the law enforcement agency's funding, acquisition, or use of military equipment.

**Methodology:**

The information presented in this report is based on data provided by the Brea Police Department. The data includes inventory records, training documentation, deployment reports, and community engagement efforts related to the use of military equipment. The reporting period for this analysis is from January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024.

**Overview of Military Equipment:**

Military equipment refers to specialized equipment that law enforcement agencies acquire and utilize to enhance their capabilities in critical situations. Such equipment may include armored vehicles, tactical gear, riot control equipment, surveillance technology, and specialized firearms.

**Training and Deployment Procedures:**

The Brea Police Department places significant emphasis on training its officers to safely and effectively utilize military equipment items. Officers receive specialized training on the operation, maintenance, and deployment procedures specific to each type of equipment. This training includes scenario-based exercises, de-escalation techniques, and an emphasis on the preservation of life and the protection of individual rights.

Deployment of military equipment is conducted in accordance with departmental policies and protocols. The decision to deploy such equipment is carefully evaluated, and a supervisor's approval is typically required. Situations warranting the use of military equipment include high-risk operations, acts of terrorism, armed confrontations, and natural disasters where public safety and officer wellbeing are at stake. Oftentimes, this equipment is deployed by the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team.

**Summary of Military Equipment Usage:**

The summary of military equipment usage is intended to describe specific incidents where the equipment was deployed, including the nature of the incident, the equipment used, and the outcome of the deployment.

During the reporting period, the Brea Police Department deployed its military equipment during the following situations:

**40mm Less Lethal:**

On November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024, officers attempted to arrest a possible drunk driver who had crashed into a wall in the area of Lambert Rd and SR 57. The suspect was uncooperative and began ramming police vehicles. A Brea Police Officer deployed three (3) 40MM Less Lethal foam projectiles. It is unknown if the projectile struck the suspect and they were not effective.

**Pepperball Launcher:**

On July 14, 2024, a Brea Police Officer was working in the capacity of a SWAT officer with the North Orange County SWAT Team. A felony suspect had barricaded himself inside of a home in the 3200 Block of Topaz Lane in Fullerton. The Brea PD SWAT operator deployed approximately 50 pepper balls into the residence. The pepper balls were effective and the suspect exited the residence and was arrested without incident by Fullerton PD.

**Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS):**

In 2024, the Brea Police Department (BPD) UAS team conducted approximately 100 flights, accumulating over 100 hours of airtime. The primary purpose of the UAS program remains the enhancement of public and officer safety through aerial surveillance in various situations, including but not limited to: search & rescue, situational awareness during critical incidents, missing persons, fleeing suspect searches, SWAT operations, high-risk traffic stops, event security and planning, and any other situation where the UAS would improve officer safety, public safety, and suspect safety.

Over the past year, the UAS team has been deployed in numerous critical operations, including suspect searches, barricaded suspect incidents, and tactical operations. Additionally, UAS has played a significant role in monitoring crime trends, particularly in assisting with retail theft response and prevention efforts.

- In 2024, the department purchased six UAS systems.

- In 2025, the department purchased two DFR (Drone as a First Responder) UAS systems.
- DFR operations are scheduled to start in the summer of 2025, covering approximately 75% of the city.

**Summary of Complaints:**

The department did not receive any complaints concerning military equipment use in 2024.

**Violations of Policy / Internal Audits:**

An internal review regarding the use of the aforementioned equipment revealed no violations of policy.

**Total Annual Costs and Inventory of Military Equipment:**

The estimated annual cost for the maintenance and uses of the military equipment in our current inventory is listed under each specific item. Not all items incur an annual maintenance cost. The following constitutes an inventory of previously purchased equipment deemed to be military equipment as defined by our policy:

**UNMANNED, REMOTELY PILOTED, POWERED AERIAL VEHICLES**

**[Government Code section 7070(c)(1)**

**Item: Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS)**

**Quantity: 6**

**Use and Capability:** Sustained flight controlled by a remote pilot on the ground.

**Expected Lifespan:** 3 to 5 years

**Product Description:** Commercially available platforms designed for aerial productivity with configurability for industrial applications, flight safety, and data security.

**Purpose:** To assist police personnel in enhancing public safety while protecting the rights and privacy of the general public.

**Authorized Use:** UAS are utilized for various tasks such as search and rescue operations, accident investigations, and surveillance during calls for service, investigations, and specific incidents.

**Purchase Price:** \$36,000

**Annual Upkeep Costs:** \$1,000

**Legal and Procedural Rules:** Officers who have attended a specific FAA and BPD training may deploy UAS. UAS are to be used for law enforcement purposes, and in compliance with the Brea Police Department policy and relevant state and federal laws.

**Training Required:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Part 107 License and department-provided training.

### **ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIERS**

#### **[Government Code section 7070(c)(2)]**

**Item:** Lenco BEARCAT

**Quantity:** 2\*

\*These items are owned and maintained by the Fullerton Police Department and La Habra Police Department, but are mutual aid assets used by Brea Police Department personnel as part of a regional SWAT team.

**Use and Capability:** Commercially-produced, four-wheeled armored personnel carrier and rescue vehicle; capable of transporting 10-12 fully equipped SWAT officers, with an open floor plan to allow for

rescue of downed personnel or victims/civilians. The vehicle can be used for both SWAT and non-SWAT incidents.

**Expected Lifespan:** 25 years.

**Manufacturer's Product Description:** The Lenco BearCat G2 is the standard tactical armored vehicle for special operations units within the US Law Enforcement community. Since the early 2000s, agencies such as LAPD, LASD SEB, NYPD ESU, Boston PD and hundreds of Federal, State and Local Law Enforcement agencies have made the BearCat G2 part of their standard operating procedure. The G2 has excellent on-road driving characteristics and maneuverability in tight urban settings. The large floor plan seats 10 – 12 fully equipped officers with a long list of tactical features only found on the Lenco BearCat line of armored SWAT vehicles for Police and Government.

**Purpose:** To be used in response to dangerous incidents to enhance officer and citizen/victim safety, improve scene containment and stabilization, and assist in resolving critical incidents.

**Authorized Use:** The use of armored vehicles shall be authorized by a Watch Commander or SWAT Commander, based on specific circumstances of a given critical incident. Armored vehicles shall be used only by officers trained in their deployment and in a manner consistent with Department policy and training.

**Purchase Price:** \$315,518.65\*\*

\*\*Both BearCat vehicles were obtained through the UASI group procurement process.

**Annual Upkeep Costs:** Annual maintenance cost of approximately \$5,000 per vehicle (paid for by the City of Fullerton and City of La Habra)

**Legal and Procedural Rules:** It is the policy of the Department to utilize armored vehicles only for official law enforcement purposes, and pursuant to State and Federal law.

**Training Required:** All drivers/operators must first attend formalized in-house instruction which includes vehicle operations and practical driving instruction.

**COMMAND AND CONTROL VEHICLES**

**[Government Code section 7070(c)(5)]**

**Item: R & S CUSTOM TRAILER MODEL T-22PR ROAD HAULER (CERT Trailer)**

**Quantity: 1**

**Use and Capability:** A vehicle-towed mobile office trailer that provides shelter, access to department computer systems, and restroom facilities during extended events.

**Expected Lifespan:** 20 years

**Manufacturer's Product Description:** Not available.

**Purpose:** The 2011 Model T-22 Road Hauler trailer is a 22 feet long box trailer that has is used as a mobile, portable command post for primary use by the Civilian Emergency Response Team and can be utilized by the Police Department for DUI checkpoints and as a command post at community events. Additional authorized uses of the CERT Trailer may include, but are not limited to, critical incidents, emergencies and natural disasters.

**Authorized Use:** Only City of Brea personnel who have completed any required training and have obtained the California Department of Motor Vehicles Class A Driver License will be allowed to tow the CERT Trailer.

**Purchase Price:** \$0\*

\*The Anaheim/Santa Ana UASI group completed the procurement process of the CERT Trailer for the City of Irvine, utilizing FY2008 UASI funds to purchase a volunteer management/equipment trailer in

support of FEMA's Citizen Corps Program, specifically the Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT). This trailer was issued to the City of Irvine's CERT Program through the Irvine Police Department. In 2014, the Anaheim/Santa Ana UASI grant office was notified that the Irvine CERT program could no longer use the trailer due to operational and administrative issues, they returned the trailer for issuance to another CERT program. The Anaheim/Santa Ana UASI office identified the City of Brea to receive this trailer for use in support of its CERT Program. The trailer was issued to the City of Brea's CERT Program through the Brea Police Department. The CERT Program was later moved to the Brea Fire Department who then took over the administration of CERT and the trailer.

**Annual Upkeep Costs:** Approximately \$200

**Legal and Procedural Rules:** Use of the CERT Trailer is not governed by the policies of the Brea Police Department, and may be used at the discretion of the Emergency Preparedness Coordinator or Brea Fire Department Administration.

**Training Required:** The driver towing the CERT Trailer shall be a City of Brea employee who possesses a valid California Department of Motor Vehicles Class A Driver License.

#### **EXPLOSIVE BREACHING APPARATUSES AND RELATED MUNITIONS**

**[Government Code section 7070(c)(7)]**

**Item: REMINGTON 870 SHOTGUN, MODIFIED WITH A BREACHING BARREL**

**Quantity: 1**

**Use and Capability:** This weapon allows for SWAT Officers to safely utilize shotgun breaching rounds in order to disable deadbolts, locks, and door hinges. There is a spiked stand-off built into the end of the barrel to allow for positive placement of the gun into the correct position. The stand-off has vents to deflect debris and gases to prevent overpressure. The weapon can also defeat windows and sliding glass

doors with a flash bang round (a less lethal 2.4 inch, 12-gauge shotgun round firing a ballistic fiber bag filled with 40 grams of lead shot at a velocity of 270-290 feet per second)

**Expected Lifespan:** 20 years

**Manufacturer's Product Description:** Not available.

**Purpose:** To allow SWAT officers to defeat locks and/or hinges to safely enter a structure.

**Authorized Use:** Use of any explosive breaching device shall only occur after authorization by the Incident Commander or SWAT Commander in the field, or during training exercises. Only fully trained SWAT operators shall use these weapons and munitions.

**Purchase Price:** \$1,200

**Annual Upkeep Costs:** Approximately \$50

**Legal and Procedural Rules:** It is the policy of the Brea Police Department to utilize this breaching tool only for official law enforcement purposes, and pursuant to State and Federal Law. This equipment is owned and operated by Brea Police Department, but may be used any trained member of the regional SWAT team, North County SWAT, during training and SWAT operations.

**Training Required:** All SWAT Officers who use a breaching shotgun shall first successfully complete an approved explosive breaching class, and must receive annual in-house training for the use of the breaching shotgun and munitions.

**Related Munitions:**

**Item: TKO BREACHING SHOTGUN ROUNDS**

**Description:** A round that is fired from a breaching shotgun and is used to disable deadbolts, locks and hinges.

**Current Inventory:** 25 rounds

**Usual Inventory:** 30 rounds

**Authorized Use:** Use of any explosive breaching device shall only occur after authorization by the Incident Commander or SWAT Commander in the field, or during training exercises. Only fully trained SWAT operators shall use these weapons and munitions.

**Purchase Price:** \$6.09 per round

**Legal and Procedural Rules:** It is the policy of the Brea Police Department to utilize this breaching tool only for official law enforcement purposes, and pursuant to State and Federal Law. This equipment is owned and operated by Brea Police Department, but may be used any trained member of the regional SWAT team, North County SWAT, during training and SWAT operations.

**Training Required:** All SWAT Officers who use a breaching shotgun shall first successfully complete an approved explosive breaching class, and must receive annual in-house training for the use of the breaching shotgun and munitions.

#### **SPECIALIZED FIREARMS / ASSAULT WEAPONS**

##### **[Government Code section 7070(c) (10)]**

**Item:** Rifle

**Quantity:** 77

**Use and Capability:** Firearm designed and intended to be fired from the shoulder and designed to use the energy in a fixed metallic cartridge to fire only a single projectile through a rifled bore for each single pull of the trigger.

**Expected Lifespan:** 10 years

**Manufacturer's Product Description:** Patrol and/or SWAT rifle chambered in 5.56 caliber.

**Purpose:** Rifles enable officers, when in compliance with the Brea Police Department's Use of Force Policy, to address medium to long distance threats, or those threats who are heavily armed, armored or both. Further, in both short and long-distance deployments, they allow officers precision shot placement minimizing the risk to officers and innocent citizens

**Authorized Use:** Officers who have attended a POST-certified rifle course may carry and deploy rifles. Patrol rifles are to be used for law enforcement purposes, and in compliance with the Brea Police Department Use of Force policy and relevant state and federal laws.

**Purchase Price:** \$1,400 per rifle

**Annual Upkeep Costs:** \$50

**Legal and Procedural Rules:** It is the policy of the Brea Police Department to utilize rifles only for official law enforcement purposes, in compliance with the Brea Police Department Use of Force policy, and pursuant to state and federal laws regarding the use of force.

**Training Required:** Prior to deploying and using a rifle, officers must first be certified by POST instructors in the operation of the rifle. Additionally, all members that operate any rifle are required to pass a range qualification quarterly prior to use.

**Item:** LARUE TACTICAL OPTIMIZED BATTLE RIFLE (OBR), 7.62 MM

**Quantity:** 1

**Use and Capability:** Firearm designed and intended to be fired from the shoulder and designed to use the energy in a fixed metallic cartridge to fire only a single projectile through a rifled bore for each single pull of the trigger.

**Expected Lifespan:** 15 years

**Manufacturer's Product Description:** The LaRue OBR (Optimized Battle Rifle) was built from the ground up, using a newly designed upper-receiver platform, combined with a lower, inspired from our successful 5.56 MM lower. Both the upper and lower are CNC-machined from billet, for the optimum fit and consistency. The receiver components are designed with more material in critical areas to alleviate known issues of weakness in 7.62 platforms and to stiffen the receiver...translating into maximum accuracy.

**Purpose:** Sniper rifles enable officers, when in compliance with the Brea Police Department's Use of Force Policy, to address medium to long distance threats, or those threats who are heavily armed, armored or both. They allow officers precision shot placement minimizing the risk to officers and innocent citizens

**Authorized Use:** Officers who have attended a specific POST-certified rifle course may carry and deploy rifles. Rifles are to be used for law enforcement purposes, and in compliance with the Brea Police Department Use of Force policy and relevant state and federal laws.

**Purchase Price:** \$4,125 per rifle

**Annual Upkeep Costs:** \$50

**Legal and Procedural Rules:** It is the policy of the Brea Police Department to utilize rifles only for official law enforcement purposes, in compliance with the Brea Police Department Use of Force policy, and pursuant to state and federal laws regarding the use of force.

**Training Required:** This rifle may only be used by SWAT Officers who have successfully completed a POST-certified rifle marksmanship or sniper course. Additionally, all members that operate any rifle are required to pass a range qualification quarterly prior to use.

## **FLASHBANG GRENADES, TEAR GAS, AND PEPPER BALLS**

### **[Government Code section 7070(c) (12)]**

**Item: DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY LOW ROLL II, DISTRACTION DEVICE**

**Current Inventory: 21**

**Usual Inventory: 20**

**Use and Capability:** Device used to distract device used to disorient or divert a suspect'(s) attention away from SWAT Officers using light and sound. This device can allow SWAT Officers to gain safer access to a high-risk situation, giving extra time to assess and analyze existing threats. This device can prevent injury to officers and citizens. This device can lead to a safer resolution and allow SWAT Officers to take a suspect'(s) into custody without force

**Expected Lifespan:** Until expended

**Manufacturer's Product Description:** The 11-Gram Low Roll II® Non-Reloadable Distraction Device®, High Humidity utilizes an M201A1 type fuse with Hex design steel body. This compact version of the 8933 Low Roll Distraction Device body is the newest version of the first reusable non-bursting canisters that limits movement and rolling once deployed. The compact Distraction Device fits safely in your hand and packs all the power of the full-size Distraction Device. This is a smaller, lighter device with the same output. This is a modified version of the Low Roll II Non-Reloadable Distraction Device that is designed for use in high humidity environments, which incorporates a water-resistant charge tube. The standard render safe practice involving 24-hour water submersion will no longer be effective for the high humidity devices, please consult the render safe procedure for incineration in the instructions.

**Purpose:** A distraction device is ideal for distracting dangerous suspects during assaults, hostage rescue, room entry or other high-risk arrest situations. To produce atmospheric overpressure and brilliant white light and, as a result, can cause short-term (6 - 8 seconds) physiological/psychological sensory deprivation to give officers a tactical advantage.

**Authorized Use:** Diversionary Devices shall only be used by officers who have been trained in their proper use, in hostage and barricaded subject situations, in high-risk warrant (search/arrest) services where there may be extreme hazards to officers, during other high-risk situations where their use would enhance officer safety, and during training exercises.

**Purchase Price:** \$46 each

**Annual Upkeep Costs:** None

**Legal and Procedural Rules:** It is the policy of the Brea Police Department to utilize this item only for official law enforcement purposes, and pursuant to State and Federal Law. This equipment is owned and operated by Brea Police Department, but may be used by any trained member of the regional SWAT team, North County SWAT, during training and SWAT operations.

**Training Required:** Prior to use, officers must successfully complete diversionary device training that is conducted by POST-certified instructors.

**Item:** DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY, FLAMELESS TRI-CHAMBER CS GRENADE

**Current Inventory:** 13

**Usual Inventory:** 10

**Use and Capability:** Handheld/throwable grenade use to deploy and disperse CS chemical agent.

**Expected Lifespan:** Until expended, or five years from date of manufacture

**Manufacturer's Product Description:** The design of the Tri-Chamber Flameless CS Grenade allows the contents to burn within an internal can and disperse the agent safely with reduced risk of fire. The grenade is designed primarily for indoor tactical situations to detect and/or dislodge a barricaded subject. This grenade will deliver approximately .70 oz. of agent during its 20-25 seconds burn time. The Tri-Chamber Flameless Grenade can be used in crowd control as well as tactical deployment situations by Law Enforcement and Corrections, but was designed with the barricade situation in mind. Its applications in tactical situations are primarily to detect and/or dislodge barricaded subjects. The purpose of the Tri-Chamber Flameless Grenade is to minimize the risks to all parties through pain compliance, temporary discomfort, and/or incapacitation of potentially violent or dangerous subjects. The Tri-Chamber Flameless Grenade provides the option of delivering a pyrotechnic chemical device indoors, maximizing the chemicals' effectiveness via heat and vaporization, while minimizing or negating the chance of fire to the structure. The Tri-Chamber Flameless Grenade is NOT to be launched utilizing a launching cup.

**Purpose:** To limit the escalation of conflict where employment of lethal force is prohibited or undesirable. Situations for use of the less lethal weapon systems may include, but are not limited to: self-destructive, dangerous and/or combative individuals; riot/crowd control and civil unrest incidents; circumstances where a tactical advantage can be obtained.; potentially vicious animals; training exercises or approved demonstrations.

**Authorized Use:** Only officers who have received POST certification in the use chemical agents are authorized to use chemical agents.

**Purchase Price:** \$35 each

**Annual Upkeep Costs:** None

**Legal and Procedural Rules:** It is the policy of the Brea Police Department to utilize this item only for official law enforcement purposes, and pursuant to State and Federal Law. This equipment is owned and operated by Brea Police Department, but may be used any trained member of the regional SWAT team, North County SWAT, during training and SWAT operations.

**Training:** Sworn members utilizing chemical agent canisters must first be certified by POST less lethal and chemical agent instructors.

**Item: DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY SPEDE-HEAT CS GRENADE**

**Current Inventory:** 15

**Usual Inventory:** 10

**Use and Capability:** Handheld/throwable or weapon-launchable grenade use to deploy and disperse CS chemical agent.

**Expected Lifespan:** Until expended, or five years from date of manufacture

**Manufacturer's Product Description:** The Speed-Heat™ CS Grenade is a high volume, continuous burn it expels its payload in approximately 20-40 seconds. The payload is discharged through four gas ports on top of the canister, three on the side and one on the bottom. This launchable grenade is 6.12 in. by 2.62 in. and holds approximately 2.9 oz. of active agent.

**Purpose:** To limit the escalation of conflict where employment of lethal force is prohibited or undesirable. Situations for use of the less lethal weapon systems may include, but are not limited to: self-destructive, dangerous and/or combative individuals; riot/crowd control and civil unrest incidents; circumstances where a tactical advantage can be obtained.; potentially vicious animals; training exercises or approved demonstrations.

**Authorized Use:** Only officers who have received POST certification in the use chemical agents are authorized to use chemical agents.

**Purchase Price:** \$28 each

**Annual Upkeep Costs:** None

**Legal and Procedural Rules:** It is the policy of the Brea Police Department to utilize this item only for official law enforcement purposes, and pursuant to State and Federal Law. This equipment is owned and operated by Brea Police Department, but may be used any trained member of the regional SWAT team, North County SWAT, during training and SWAT operations.

**Training:** Sworn members utilizing chemical agent canisters must first be certified by POST less lethal and chemical agent instructors.

**Item:** DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY CS TRIPLE-CHASER SEPARATING CANISTER

**Current Inventory:** 10

**Usual Inventory:** 30

**Use and Capability:** Handheld/throwable grenade use to deploy and disperse CS chemical agent.

**Expected Lifespan:** Until expended, or five years from date of manufacture

**Manufacturer's Product Description:** The Triple-Chaser<sup>®</sup> CS consists of three separate canisters pressed together with separating charges between each. When deployed, the canisters separate and land approximately 20 feet apart allowing increased area coverage in a short period of time. This grenade can be hand thrown or launched from a fired delivery system. The grenade is 6.5 in. by 2.7 in. and holds an approximately 3.2 oz. of active agent payload. It has an approximate burn time of 20-30 seconds.

**Purpose:** To limit the escalation of conflict where employment of lethal force is prohibited or undesirable. Situations for use of the less lethal weapon systems may include, but are not limited to: self-destructive, dangerous and/or combative individuals; riot/crowd control and civil unrest incidents; circumstances where a tactical advantage can be obtained.; potentially vicious animals; training exercises or approved demonstrations.

**Authorized Use:** Only officers who have received POST certification in the use chemical agents are authorized to use chemical agents.

**Purchase Price:** \$44 each

**Annual Upkeep Costs:** None

**Legal and Procedural Rules:** It is the policy of the Brea Police Department to utilize this item only for official law enforcement purposes, and pursuant to State and Federal Law. This equipment is owned and operated by Brea Police Department, but may be used any trained member of the regional SWAT team, North County SWAT, during training and SWAT operations.

**Training:** Sworn members utilizing chemical agent canisters must first be certified by POST less lethal and chemical agent instructors.

**Item: DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY, OC TRIPLE CHASER SEPARATING CANISTER**

Current Inventory: 11

Usual Inventory: 30

Use and Capability: Handheld/throwable grenade use to deploy and disperse OC chemical agent.

Expected Lifespan: Until expended, or five years from date of manufacture

Manufacturer's Product Description: The OC Triple-Chaser® Pyrotechnic Grenade is one of our first-ever pyrotechnic grenades that combines the effectiveness of Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) as an irritant and inflammatory agent with the flexible delivery methods, range and area coverage of pyrotechnic munitions for crowd control. The Triple-Chaser OC consists of three separate canisters pressed together. This grenade can be hand thrown or launched from a delivery system. The grenade is 6.5 in. by 2.7 in. and holds approximately 1.06 oz. of active agent payload. It has an approximate burn time of 20-30 seconds.

Purpose: To limit the escalation of conflict where employment of lethal force is prohibited or undesirable. Situations for use of the less lethal weapon systems may include, but are not limited to: self-destructive, dangerous and/or combative individuals; riot/crowd control and civil unrest incidents; circumstances where a tactical advantage can be obtained.; potentially vicious animals; training exercises or approved demonstrations.

Authorized Use: Only officers who have received POST certification in the use chemical agents are authorized to use chemical agents.

Purchase Price: \$35 each

Annual Upkeep Costs: None

Legal and Procedural Rules: It is the policy of the Brea Police Department to utilize this item only for official law enforcement purposes, and pursuant to State and Federal Law. This equipment is owned and operated by Brea Police Department, but may be used any trained member of the regional SWAT team, North County SWAT, during training and SWAT operations.

Training: Sworn members utilizing chemical agent canisters must first be certified by POST less lethal and chemical agent instructors.

**Item: DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY, CS POCKET TACTICAL CANISTER**

**Current Inventory:** 12

**Usual Inventory:** 10

**Use and Capability:** Handheld/throwable grenade use to deploy and disperse CS chemical agent.

**Expected Lifespan:** Until expended, or five years from date of manufacture

**Manufacturer's Product Description:** The Pocket Tactical CS Grenade is small, and lightweight. The 0.9 oz. of active agent will burn approximately 20-40 seconds. At 4.75 in. by 1.4 inches in size, it easily fits in most tactical pouches. This is a launchable grenade; however, it is normally used as a signaling or covering device. Though this device is slightly over four inches in length, it produces a smoke cloud so fast it appears to be an enveloping screen produced by a full-size tactical grenade.

**Purpose:** To limit the escalation of conflict where employment of lethal force is prohibited or undesirable. Situations for use of the less lethal weapon systems may include, but are not limited to: self-destructive, dangerous and/or combative individuals; riot/crowd control and civil unrest incidents; circumstances where a tactical advantage can be obtained.; potentially vicious animals; training exercises or approved demonstrations.

**Authorized Use:** Only officers who have received POST certification in the use chemical agents are authorized to use chemical agents.

**Purchase Price:** \$39 each

**Annual Upkeep Costs:** None

**Legal and Procedural Rules:** It is the policy of the Brea Police Department to utilize this item only for official law enforcement purposes, and pursuant to State and Federal Law. This equipment is owned and

operated by Brea Police Department, but may be used any trained member of the regional SWAT team, North County SWAT, during training and SWAT operations.

**Training:** Sworn members utilizing chemical agent canisters must first be certified by POST less lethal and chemical agent instructors.

**Item: DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY, SMOKE CANISTER**

**Current Inventory:** 6

**Usual Inventory:** 10

**Use and Capability:** Handheld/throwable grenade use to deploy and disperse inert smoke.

**Expected Lifespan:** Until expended, or five years from date of manufacture

**Manufacturer's Product Description:** The Military-Style Maximum Smoke Grenade comes from the Defense Technology® #3 smoke grenade. It is a slow burning, high volume, continuous discharge grenade designed for outdoor use in crowd management situations. Emits grey-white smoke only for approximately 1.5 to 2 minutes.

**Purpose:** To limit the escalation of conflict where employment of lethal force is prohibited or undesirable. Situations for use of the less lethal weapon systems may include, but are not limited to: self-destructive, dangerous and/or combative individuals; riot/crowd control and civil unrest incidents; circumstances where a tactical advantage can be obtained.; potentially vicious animals; training exercises or approved demonstrations.

**Authorized Use:** Only officers who have received POST certification in the use chemical agents are authorized to use chemical agents.

**Purchase Price:** \$49 each

**Annual Upkeep Costs:** None

**Legal and Procedural Rules:** It is the policy of the Brea Police Department to utilize this item only for official law enforcement purposes, and pursuant to State and Federal Law. This equipment is owned and operated by Brea Police Department, but may be used any trained member of the regional SWAT team, North County SWAT, during training and SWAT operations.

**Training:** Sworn members utilizing chemical agent canisters must first be certified by POST less lethal and chemical agent instructors.

**Item:** FTC PEPPERBALL LAUNCHER

**Quantity:** 1

**Use and Capability:** A compressed-air powered launcher designed to launch non-lethal PepperBall projectiles, both inert and irritant-containing, at a maximum distance of 150 feet.

**Expected Lifespan:** 20 years

**Manufacturer's Product Description:** FTC is a high-capacity, semi-automatic launcher that is perfect for crowd management and mobile field force operations. Reliable and accurate, it features a hopper that can hold up to 180 rounds and a flexible air source configuration.

**Purpose:** To limit the escalation of conflict where employment of lethal force is prohibited or undesirable. Situations for use of the less lethal weapon systems may include, but are not limited to: self-destructive, dangerous and/or combative individuals; riot/crowd control and civil unrest incidents; circumstances where a tactical advantage can be obtained.; potentially vicious animals; training exercises or approved demonstrations.

**Authorized Use:** Only SWAT Operators who have been trained in the use of PepperBall launchers are authorized to use them.

**Purchase Price:** \$573.25

**Annual Upkeep Costs:** \$50

**Legal and Procedural Rules:** It is the policy of the Brea Police Department to utilize this item only for official law enforcement purposes, in compliance with the Brea Police Department Use of Force policy, and pursuant to state and federal laws regarding the use of force.

**Training Required:** SWAT Operators utilizing PepperBall launchers and projectiles must first be trained in their use by POST certified less lethal and chemical agent instructors.

**Item: PEPPERBALL LIVE-X PROJECTILES**

**Manufacturer's Product Description:** Our most potent and powerful concentration of PAVA pepper powder. One round of LIVE-X™ contains the equivalent PAVA irritant chemical agent in 10 regular PepperBall® LIVE™ rounds.

**Current Inventory:** 700 rounds

**Usual Inventory:** 750 rounds

**Authorized Use:** Only SWAT Operators who have been trained in the use of PepperBall launchers are authorized to use them.

**Purchase Price:** \$2,500 per 750 rounds

**Legal and Procedural Rules:** It is the policy of the Brea Police Department to utilize this item only for official law enforcement purposes, in compliance with the Brea Police Department Use of Force policy, and pursuant to state and federal laws regarding the use of force.

**Training Required:** SWAT Operators utilizing PepperBall launchers and projectiles must first be trained in their use by POST certified less lethal and chemical agent instructors.

**Item: PEPPERBALL INERT PROJECTILES**

**Manufacturer's Product Description:** Containing a harmless, scented powder, this projectile is best suited for training, qualifications, and direct impact when chemical exposure is not desired.

**Current Inventory:** 700 rounds

**Usual Inventory:** 750 rounds

**Authorized Use:** Only SWAT Operators who have been trained in the use of PepperBall launchers are authorized to use them.

**Purchase Price:** \$646 per 750 rounds

**Legal and Procedural Rules:** It is the policy of the Brea Police Department to utilize this item only for official law enforcement purposes, in compliance with the Brea Police Department Use of Force policy, and pursuant to state and federal laws regarding the use of force.

**Training Required:** SWAT Operators utilizing PepperBall launchers and projectiles must first be trained in their use by POST certified less lethal and chemical agent instructors.

**LONG RANGE ACOUSTIC DEVICE (LRAD)**

**[Government Code section 7070(c) (13)]**

**Item: AARDVARK LRAD 100x PORTABLE HAILING SYSTEM**

**Quantity:** 1

**Use and Capability:** A high intensity directional acoustical array for long-range, crystal-clear hailing, notification, and an unmistakable warning tone. The LRAD is primarily used as a communication device.

**Expected Lifespan: 25 years**

**Manufacturer's Product Description:** The Model 100X Portable Hailing System is a self-contained, hand-held, portable communications device for use in on-scene and tactical communications. It has the capability to be 20-30 dB louder than legacy bullhorns and vehicle-based P.A. systems, while still being 4x- 6x louder and more intelligible than products with a comparable size and weight. Weighing at only 15 lbs. (6.8 kg) with battery, accessories, and cables, the easy portability of the 100X can safely communicate beyond standoff distances to determine intent. The highly intelligible voice messages over distances up to 600 meters; max range of 250 meters over 88 dB of background noise and 137dB SPL @ 1 meter, A-weighted maximum continuous output. Taking advantage of its focused, directional sound pattern, optimized driver and waveguide technology, the 100X can penetrate buildings and vehicles to ensure communications are heard and understood. The warning tone provides a safer alternative to non-lethal measures and safely modifies behavior while creating additional time to scale the escalation of force if necessary. With an 8-hour rechargeable battery, optional power sources and water-resistant casing, the 100X creates an instant acoustic standoff perimeter even through wind, engines, sirens, and noisy crowds. The 100X is easily operable with gloves or MOPP gear using the simple user interface.

**Purpose:** To be used to issue dispersal orders during crowd and riot control situations or to address the public in the event of civil emergencies, natural disasters, evacuations, and police incidents (e.g., missing persons, perimeters for wanted suspects/ K9 deployments, etc.). The LRAD may also be used to issue a warning tone.

**Authorized Use:** The LRAD use may only occur after the authorization of the Incident Commander or SWAT Commander in the field and/or during training exercises by personnel trained to operate the LRAD.

**Purchase Price:** \$12,293.95

**Annual Upkeep Costs:** None

**Legal and Procedural Rules:** It is the policy of the Brea Police Department to utilize this breaching tool only for official law enforcement purposes, and pursuant to State and Federal Law. This equipment is owned and operated by Brea Police Department, but may be used any trained member of the regional SWAT team, North County SWAT, during training and SWAT operations.

**Training Required:** No formal training is required, however SWAT Operators trained in the use of the LRAD should set up and operate the device.

#### **PROJECTILE LAUNCH PLATFORM AND RELATED MUNITIONS**

**[Government Code section 7070(c) (14)]**

**Item: DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY LMT 40 MM LMT SINGLE SHOT LAUNCHER**

**Quantity:** 13\*

\*Four launchers are assigned to the SWAT team, nine launchers are assigned to Patrol

**Use and Capability:** 40MM Launchers are utilized by department personnel as a less lethal tool to launch less-lethal impact rounds, and authorized CS and OC rounds.

**Expected Lifespan:** 15 years

**Manufacturer's Product Description:** Manufactured exclusively for Defense Technology®, the 40LMTS is a tactical single shot launcher that features an expandable ROGERS Super Stoc and an adjustable

Integrated Front Grip (IFG) with light rail. The ambidextrous Lateral Sling Mount (LSM) and QD mounting systems allow both a single- and two-point sling attachment. The 40LMTS will fire standard 40mm less lethal ammunition, up to 4.8 inches in cartridge length. The Picatinny Rail Mounting System will accept a wide array of enhanced optics/sighting systems.

**Purpose:** To limit the escalation of conflict where employment of lethal force is prohibited or undesirable. Situations for use of the less lethal weapon systems may include, but are not limited to: self-destructive, dangerous and/or combative individuals; riot/crowd control and civil unrest incidents; circumstances where a tactical advantage can be obtained.; potentially vicious animals; training exercises or approved demonstrations.

**Authorized Use:** Situations for use of the less lethal weapon systems may include, but are not limited to: self-destructive, dangerous and/or combative individuals; riot/crowd control and civil unrest incidents; circumstances where a tactical advantage can be obtained; potentially vicious animals; training exercises or approved demonstrations.

**Purchase Price:** \$1,000 each

**Annual Upkeep Costs:** \$50 each

**Legal and Procedural Rules:** It is the policy of the Brea Police Department to utilize the 40mm only for official law enforcement purposes, and pursuant to State and Federal law, including those regarding the use of force.

**Training Required:** Sworn members utilizing 40mm less lethal munitions, chemical agents or impact rounds, must first be trained in their use by POST-certified less lethal and/or chemical agent instructors.

**Related Munitions:**

**Item: DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY, 40MM EXACT IMPACT SPONGE**

**Description:** The eXact iMPact™ 40 mm Sponge Round is a point-of-aim, point-of-impact direct-fire round. This lightweight, high-speed projectile consisting of a plastic body and sponge nose that is spin stabilized via the incorporated rifling collar and the 40 mm launcher's rifled barrel. The round utilizes smokeless powder as the propellant, and, therefore, have velocities that are extremely consistent. Used for Crowd Control, Patrol, and Tactical Applications.

**Current Inventory:** 605 rounds

**Usual Inventory:** 675 rounds

**Authorized Use:** Situations for use of the less lethal weapon systems may include, but are not limited to: self-destructive, dangerous and/or combative individuals; riot/crowd control and civil unrest incidents; circumstances where a tactical advantage can be obtained; potentially vicious animals; training exercises or approved demonstrations.

**Purchase Price:** \$18 per round

**Legal and Procedural Rules:** It is the policy of the Brea Police Department to utilize the 40mm only for official law enforcement purposes, and pursuant to State and Federal law, including those regarding the use of force.

**Training Required:** Sworn members utilizing 40mm less lethal munitions, chemical agents or impact rounds, must first be trained in their use by POST-certified less lethal and/or chemical agent instructors.

**Item: DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY, 40MM CS FERRET POWDER BARRICADE PENETRATING PROJECTILE ROUND**

Description: The 40MM CS Ferret Powder munition is a barricade penetrating round filled with a CS Powder chemical agent. It is a frangible projectile that is spin stabilized utilizing barrel rifling of the 40MM launcher. It is non-burning and designed to penetrate barriers. It is primarily used to dislodge

barricaded subjects and can also be used for area denial. It is used by tactical teams to penetrate barriers such as windows, hollow core doors, wallboard (drywall), and thin plywood. Upon impact, the nose ruptures and instantaneously delivers the agent payload inside of a structure of vehicle. The active CS agent is 7.6 grams and instantaneously discharges on impact.

**Current Inventory:** 15 rounds

**Usual Inventory:** 35 rounds

**Authorized Use:** Situations for use of the less lethal weapon systems may include, but are not limited to: self-destructive, dangerous and/or combative individuals; riot/crowd control and civil unrest incidents; circumstances where a tactical advantage can be obtained; potentially vicious animals; training exercises or approved demonstrations.

**Purchase Price:** \$21 per round

**Legal and Procedural Rules:** It is the policy of the Brea Police Department to utilize the 40mm only for official law enforcement purposes, and pursuant to State and Federal law, including those regarding the use of force.

**Training Required:** Sworn members utilizing 40mm less lethal munitions, chemical agents or impact rounds, must first be trained in their use by POST-certified less lethal and/or chemical agent instructors.

**Item:** DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY 40MM CS FERRET LIQUID BARRICADE-PENETRATING PROJECTILE ROUND

**Description:** The 40MM CS Ferret Liquid munition is a frangible projectile filled with chemical agent. It is designed to deliver chemical agents in barricade situations from a 40mm launcher. Spin stabilization from barrel rifling affords maximum stand-off distance and accuracy for safety. The munition is non-burning and suitable for indoor use. It is designed to penetrate barriers, such as windows, hollow core doors, wallboard, and thin plywood. Upon impacting the barrier, the nose cone ruptures and

instantaneously delivers a small chemical payload inside of a structure or vehicle. The active CS agent is 27.6 grams and instantaneously discharges on impact.

**Current Inventory:** 6 rounds

**Usual Inventory:** 20 rounds

**Authorized Use:** Situations for use of the less lethal weapon systems may include, but are not limited to: self-destructive, dangerous and/or combative individuals; riot/crowd control and civil unrest incidents; circumstances where a tactical advantage can be obtained; potentially vicious animals; training exercises or approved demonstrations.

**Purchase Price:** \$21 per round

**Legal and Procedural Rules:** It is the policy of the Brea Police Department to utilize the 40mm only for official law enforcement purposes, and pursuant to State and Federal law, including those regarding the use of force.

**Training Required:** Sworn members utilizing 40mm less lethal munitions, chemical agents or impact rounds, must first be trained in their use by POST-certified less lethal and/or chemical agent instructors.

**Item: REMINGTON 870 12 GAUGE LESS LETHAL SHOTGUN**

**Quantity:** 13\*

\*4 shotguns are assigned to the SWAT team, 9 are assigned to Patrol

**Use and Capability:** The Remington 870 Less Lethal Shotgun is used to deploy the less lethal 12-gauge Super-Sock Beanbag Round up to a distance of 75 feet. The range of the weapon system helps to maintain space between officers and a suspect, reducing the immediacy of the threat which is a principle of de-escalation.

**Expected Lifespan:** 25 years

**Manufacturer's Product Description:** For a half century the Remington Model 870P has been the pump shotgun of choice for government agencies. With over 10 million produced to date, it remains the standard by which all pump actions are measured. Its dual, non-binding action bars deliver ultra-smooth, reliable cycling. The ultimate pump shotgun, the Model 870P stands the test of time, extreme conditions and duty.

**Purpose:** To limit the escalation of conflict where employment of lethal force is prohibited or undesirable. Situations for use of the less lethal weapon systems may include, but are not limited to: self-destructive, dangerous and/or combative individuals; riot/crowd control and civil unrest incidents; circumstances where a tactical advantage can be obtained.; potentially vicious animals; training exercises or approved demonstrations.

**Authorized Use:** Situations for use of the less lethal weapon systems may include, but are not limited to: self-destructive, dangerous and/or combative individuals; riot/crowd control and civil unrest incidents; circumstances where a tactical advantage can be obtained; potentially vicious animals; training exercises or approved demonstrations.

**Purchase Price:** \$1,000 each

**Annual Upkeep Costs:** \$50 each

**Legal and Procedural Rules:** It is the policy of the Brea Police Department to utilize the less lethal shotguns and bean bag munitions only for official law enforcement purposes, and pursuant to State and Federal law, including those regarding the use of force.

**Training Required:** Officers must be trained in the 12 gauge less lethal option by in-service or other training prior to use.

**Related Munitions:**

**Item: DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY DRAG STABILIZED 12-GAUGE BEANBAG ROUND**

**Description:** A less lethal 2.4-inch 12-gauge shotgun round firing a ballistic fiber bag filled with 40 grams of lead shot at a velocity of 270-290 feet per second (FPS). Drag Stabilized rounds are discharged from a dedicated 12-gauge shotgun that is distinguishable by an orange butt stock and fore grip. This round provides accurate and effective performance when fired from the approved distance of not less than five (5) feet. The maximum effective range of this munition is up to 75 feet from the target. The Drag Stabilized Model is in its deployed state immediately upon exiting the barrel. It does not require a minimum range to “unfold” or “stabilize”. The Drag Stabilized Model is an aerodynamic projectile; however, accuracy is relative to the shotgun, barrel length, environmental conditions, and the operator. The Drag Stabilized model is very accurate; however, effectiveness is dependent upon many variables such as distance, clothing, stature, and the point where the projectile impacts.

**Current Inventory:** 237 rounds

**Usual Inventory:** 125 rounds

**Authorized Use:** Situations for use of the less lethal weapon systems may include, but are not limited to: self-destructive, dangerous and/or combative individuals; riot/crowd control and civil unrest incidents; circumstances where a tactical advantage can be obtained; potentially vicious animals; training exercises or approved demonstrations.

**Purchase Price:** \$5 per round

**Legal and Procedural Rules:** It is the policy of the Brea Police Department to utilize the less lethal shotguns and bean bag munitions only for official law enforcement purposes, and pursuant to State and Federal law, including those regarding the use of force.

**Training Required:** Officers must be trained in the 12 gauge less lethal option by in-service or other training prior to use.

**Acquisition of Additional Equipment:**

During the calendar year 2024, the Brea Police Department purchased six UAS systems

**Future Acquisition of Additional Equipment:**

As part of the Brea Police Department's Integrated Crime Center (ICC), the department purchased two DFR UAS in 2025.

**Community Outreach and Transparency:**

The Brea Police Department recognizes the importance of maintaining open lines of communication with the community regarding the use of military equipment. Efforts to promote transparency and engage with the community are of the utmost importance.

It is important to note that the deployment of military equipment is subject to continuous review and evaluation to ensure its necessity, appropriateness, and adherence to departmental policies.

Pursuant to AB 481 and department policy, the Brea Police Department will be sharing this annual use report meeting at the Brea City Council Meeting on August 19th, 2025.