



## Legislation Text

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### **Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Application (NB)**

**This item requests City Commission authorization to apply for and accept Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant funds (General) in the amount of \$30,000 for the Tutorial Assistance for At-Risk Youth, \$24,000 for the Sexual Predator and Offender Tracking Program and \$20,000 for the SAFE-T Kiosk.**

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (General) is a competitive grant opportunity consisting of \$186,208 in Federal funding allocated for government entities within Alachua County. The Alachua County Sheriff's Office serves as the Grant Administrator and automatically receives 10% (\$18,620) leaving the county \$167,588 to fund continuing and new programs. On April 29, 2009, the Gainesville Police Department will present three programs for continuation funding to the Byrne Grant Advisory Board. The first presentation will be to continue funding for "Tutorial Assistance for At-Risk Youth," which provides an Educational Coordinator and an Assistant Educational Coordinator for the Reichert House. The second presentation will be to continue funding for the "Sexual Predator and Offender Tracking Program." This program consists of overtime details to monitor and enforce the terms of probation for sexual predators and offenders within the City of Gainesville. The third presentation will be for the "SAFE-T Kiosk." This program consists of overtime funding for an officer to provide information and safety options to individuals in specific areas who are at-risk of becoming a victim of a crime. The Byrne Grant Advisory Board will be asked to continue funding for these three programs through the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant.

Each application is for a one-year funding cycle in FY 2010. The current Federal regulations do not require a match for this grant. The total award amount for all three programs is \$74,000.

The City Commission authorize the City Manager to: 1) apply to the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant program for \$74,000 in grant funds; and 2) execute the grant application, grant award, and any other necessary documents, pending review by the City Attorney as to form and legality.

#### Alternate Recommendation

The City Commission declines the opportunity to apply for and receive grant funds from the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant in the amount of \$74,000.