



Legislation Text

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Recovery Act: Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant (JAG) (NB)

This item requests City Commission authorization to apply for the Recovery Act: Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant for a total amount of \$344,426 for two years. One purpose of Recovery Act funding is to preserve and create jobs to promote economic recovery. The Gainesville Police Department has identified two proposals addressing this purpose to be submitted to the U.S. Department of Justice for consideration.

The Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant program is funded for a two year period. One project proposes the creation of a full-time position Crime Analyst position with an emphasis on Information Led Policing. The two year fiscal impact for this award will be \$135,900. The second project proposes to fund two full-time positions and one contract position currently supported by the 21st Century Learning Grant through the School Board of Alachua County. This grant expires in August 2009. Recovery Act funding for these positions would prevent an interruption of services for the population of at-risk youth being served by the Reichert House. The fiscal impact for this award is \$208,526.

Each application is for a two-year funding cycle in FY 2010. The current Federal Regulations do not require a match for these grants. The total award amount for both proposals is \$344,426.

The City commission authorize the City Manager to: 1) apply to the Recovery Act: Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant Program for \$344,426 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 decline the opportunity to apply for and receive grant funds from the Recovery Act: Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant Program in the amount of \$344,426.