

City of Gainesville

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Legislation Text

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Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program FY2014 Formula Program: Local Solicitation (B)

This is a request for City Commission approval to accept and execute a Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant.

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) is a direct award based on JAG formula (violent crime and population). The JAG Program funds are provided to a unit of local government that performs law enforcement functions. A funding disparity exists when both a county and a municipality within that county qualify for a direct award, yet the award amount for the municipality exceeds 150% of the county's award amount. The Gainesville Police Department (GPD) and the Alachua County Sheriff's Office must apply together producing a single award. The application must be submitted together along with a joint Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). These funds will be used to support operational teams and activities that work directly with the reduction of violent crimes.

Of the \$97,664 total, \$58,800 is a direct award to GPD.

The City Commission: 1) authorize the City Manager to accept and execute the grant award and any other necessary documents, subject to review by the City Attorney as to form and legality; 2) approve the expenditures as outlined in the approved grant award; and 3) authorize the execution of the MOU between the City and the County.