



City of Gainesville Agenda Item Report

File Number: 2023-793

Agenda Date: August 17, 2023

Department: Gainesville Police Department

Title: 2023-793 2023 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (B)

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Description: Requesting approval from the City Commission to apply for the 2023 Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Program for equipment totaling \$91,061.00.

Fiscal Note: The grant application amount is \$91,061.00. The 2023 Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant does not have a local match requirement.

Explanation:

The Justice Assistance (JAG) Grant Program provides states, tribes, and local governments with critical funding necessary to support a range of program areas including law enforcement, prosecution, indigent defense, courts, crime prevention and education, corrections and community corrections, drug treatment and enforcement, planning, evaluation, technology improvement, crime victim and witness initiatives, mental health programs and related law enforcement and corrections programs, including behavioral programs and crisis intervention teams, and implementation of state crisis intervention court proceedings and related programs or initiatives including, but not limited to, mental health courts, drug courts, veterans courts, and extreme risk protection order programs

Eligible applicants are limited to units of local government appearing on the FY 23 Local JAG Allocations list. The City of Gainesville is eligible to receive a direct allocation of \$91,061.00. The deadline to apply for funding is August 24, 2023.

Staff is requesting approval from the City Commission to submit an application for the full allocation to be applied for equipment at the Gainesville Police Department. Types of equipment includes: ballistic shields, electroshock weapons and forensic evidence drying lockers.

Strategic Connection:

- Goal 1: Equitable Community
- Goal 2: More Sustainable Community
- Goal 3: A Great Place to Live and Experience
- Goal 4: Resilient Local Economy
- Goal 5: “Best in Class” Neighbor Services

Recommendation: The City Commission 1) approve the grant application amount of \$91,061.00 for equipment at the Gainesville Police Department and 2) authorize the City Manager or designee to apply for, accept, and execute the grant application and any other necessary documents, subject to review by the City Attorney as to form and legality.