

Staff Report

SUBJECT:	Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program Fiscal Year 2021 Interlocal Agreement
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DATE	September 7, 2021
FROM:	Sean Thuilliez, Chief of Police
TO:	Mayor and City Council

Background and Analysis:

The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) is seeking applications for the 2021 FY Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program (Attachment A). This program assists state, local, and tribal law enforcement efforts to prevent or reduce crime and violence.

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program is the primary provider of federal criminal justice funding to states and units of local government. BJA will award JAG Program funds to eligible units of local government under the FY 2021 JAG Program Local Solicitation.

In general, JAG funds awarded to a unit of local government under this FY 2021 solicitation may be used to provide additional personnel, equipment, supplies, contractual support, training, technical assistance, and information systems for criminal justice, including any one or more of the following:

- Law enforcement programs,
- Prosecution and court programs,
- Prevention and education programs,
- Corrections and community corrections programs,
- Drug treatment and enforcement programs,
- Planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs,
- Crime victim and witness programs (other than compensation), and
- Mental health programs and related law enforcement and corrections programs.

City staff is seeking City Council approval to enter into an interlocal agreement between Riverside County and the City of Beaumont to seek JAG funds in the amount of \$12,073 (Attachment B). \$310 will be allocated towards required National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS) training, and \$1,208 will be allocated to Riverside County for providing administrative services for the FY2021 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program (Attachment C).

Fiscal Impact:

The grant funds will be deposited into the Grant Fund Account and any costs or fees associated with the purchases will be utilized from the expense account 240-0000-4455-0000.

Recommended Action:

Authorize City staff to apply for the FY 2021 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) program.

Authorize the City Manager to execute an interlocal agency agreement between the County of Riverside and the City of Beaumont to seek JAG funds.

Attachments:

- A. Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program FY 2021 Solicitation.
- B. Interlocal Agreement
- C. JAG Grant Budget FY 2021