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Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) program is the leading source of formula-based federal justice funding to eligible state and local jurisdictions. The JAG Program provides states, tribes, and local governments with critical funding necessary to support a range of program areas.



Eligible Activities

Eligible program areas include law enforcement, prosecution, indigent defense, courts, crime prevention and education, corrections and community corrections, drug treatment and enforcement, planning, evaluation, technology improvement, and crime victim and witness initiatives and mental health programs and related law enforcement and corrections programs, including behavioral programs and crisis intervention teams.

FY 2021-2025 JAG Award Funds = \$34,606

The City can submit only ONE (1) Application for the Total Amount. However, the proposed activity can be changed post award during the grant period of FY 2021-2025 by submission of a Change of Scope Grant Award Modification (GAM).



FY 2020-2024 JAG Award = \$31,296

The City is currently utilizing its FY 2020 -2024 JAG award funding for the City's Recreation Leader position to continue the provision of general management, oversight and coordination of the City's out-of-school programs for at-risk youth at the City's Youth Empowerment Centers. This is an eligible prevention and education program under the JAG Program guidelines.

There is a current balance of \$24,205 remaining on this award.

Staff Recommendation | FY 2021-2025 JAG Award

Staff recommends the establishment of the Out of School Programs Coordinator position to provide general management, coordination and oversight of the City's literacy, prevention and education programs at the City's public library. The funding provided under the FY 2021-2025 JAG award, combined with the current balance of \$24,205 from the FY 2020-2024 JAG award that will be amended to fund this position, will ensure the continuation of these out-of-school programs through Fiscal Year 2024.

The City's out-of-school prevention and education programs have been conducted since FY 2009. They have been highly effective in reducing the incidence of youth delinquency, increased school attendance and improved academic performance among participating youth (ages 10 – 17).

Staff respectfully requests direction from the City Commission to determine the best use of these funds.



Questions?