



Agenda Report

2725 Judge Fran Jamieson
Way
Viera, FL 32940

Consent

F.12.

7/25/2023

Subject:

Permission to Advertise for a Public Hearing to Consider Two Grant Applications for Brevard County.

Fiscal Impact:

This U.S. Department of Justice grant provides funding and does not require a local match.

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| 1. | Grant: FY 2023 JAG, Local Direct | Award amount: \$52,316.00 |
| 2. | Grant: FY 2022 FDLE JAG Countywide Subgrant | Award amount: \$152,869.00 |

Dept/Office:

Brevard County Sheriff's Office

Requested Action:

It is requested that the Board of County Commissioners grant permission for Brevard County Sheriff's Office to advertise for a public hearing to consider the two Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant applications.

Summary Explanation and Background:

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG), is a national, formula-based grant program administered by the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) with the goal of improving the criminal justice system. It provides funds to local units of government and state criminal justice agencies to enhance initiatives in their jurisdiction.

The U.S. Department of Justice has allocated JAG grant funds for Brevard County that must be used for law enforcement purposes.

The **JAG, Local, Direct** annual award will enhance criminal investigations by funding a Deputy Agent position that focuses on forensic fraud, referring to crimes in which someone wrongfully obtains and uses another person's personal data in a way that involves fraud or deception, typically for economic gain. A prevalent crime in Brevard County, fraud and identity theft has had a significant financial and investigative impact on law enforcement. The agency believes this position and associated operational expenses continue to be the best use of grant funds.

The **JAG, Countywide** Subgrant award will continue the countywide Prisoner Transportation program, which has provided coordinated transportation of arrestees to the county jail from the field by Brevard's Law Enforcement agencies for over 20 years. The program allows law enforcement agencies who find it difficult to transport arrestees to the County Jail Complex the ability to have arrestees picked up by the Sheriff's Office,

leaving more time for safety patrol functions. This grant requires the approval of 51% of law enforcement agencies in Brevard County.

**Contact: Mr. Brett Carman, BCSO Chief Financial Officer
321-264-2506**

Clerk to the Board Instructions:



July 26, 2023

Honorable Wayne Ivey
Brevard County Sheriff
700 South Park Avenue
Titusville, FL 32780

Attn: Brett Carman

Dear Sheriff Ivey:

RE: Item F.12., Permission to Advertise for Public Hearing to Consider Two Grant Applications for Brevard County

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on July 25, 2023, granted permission for Brevard County Sheriff's Office to advertise for a public hearing to consider the two Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant applications.

Your continued cooperation is always appreciated.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RACHEL M. SADOFF, CLERK

Kimberly Powell
Kimberly Powell, Clerk to the Board

cc: Finance
Budget