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**SEMINOLE COUNTY GOVERNMENT  
AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

**SUBJECT:** ARRA: Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance (JAG) Program - Grant Documents

**DEPARTMENT:** Fiscal Services

**DIVISION:** Administration - Fiscal Services

**AUTHORIZED BY:** Lisa Spriggs

**CONTACT:** Jennifer Bero

**EXT:** 7125

**MOTION/RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve for the Sheriff's Office to submit the grant application to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) requesting \$109,350.00 through the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA); and authorize the Chairman to execute the grant application and supporting documents.

County-wide

Michele Saunders, Jennifer Bero

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**BACKGROUND:**

During their meeting held May 12, 2009, the Board of County Commissioners authorized county participation in the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program and named Michele Saunders, Director of the Community Services Department, as the coordinator for the applications. The grant guidelines require that all units of government in Seminole County reach a consensus concerning the distribution and use of the \$984,151 allocation.

In compliance with the grant guidelines, Ms. Saunders facilitated a meeting with representatives from each of the seven (7) municipalities, the Sheriff's Office, and the Orlando-Sanford Airport Police Department. The group arrived at a consensus to equally distribute the funds, \$109,350 per agency. Given the financial challenges realized by all agencies, it was also agreed for each to apply for their respective unfunded priority projects in lieu of a single collaborative project. A final list of the projects is attached for review.

As detailed above, the Sheriff's Office is one of the participating agencies in the grant. For their application to be considered for funding, the Board must approve and authorize the Chairman to execute the application. A separate grant agreement/contract will be presented to the Board for approval upon award.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the Board approve for the Sheriff's Office to submit the grant application to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) requesting \$109,350.00 through the ARRA-Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program; and authorize the Chairman to execute the grant application and supporting documents.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Project Summaries

**Additionally Reviewed By:**

Grant Review ( Lisa Spriggs )

## **2009-2010 Byrne Grant Project Summary (\$984,151)**

### **RIFLES FOR PATROL**

**\$109,350**

The City of Altamonte Springs will allocate their monies to purchase long rifles and accessories (i.e., slings, ammunition, scopes, etc) along with replacement laptops for the police patrol vehicles. This project is approved under the Law Enforcement Program which is one of the seven federally approved program areas.

### **CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE UPDATE SPECIFICALLY, BUILDING SECURITY SYSTEM**

**\$109,350**

The City of Lake Mary will upgrade their current Radionics/Simplex facility security system in the Police department building. An additional radio position in the communications center is needed due to the increased call and radio volume. The grant funding will be supplemented by the City Impact Fee funds if necessary to meet the financial goals. This project is approved under the Law Enforcement Program which is one of the seven federally approved program areas.

### **EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS FOR YOUTH WITH TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENTS**

**\$109,350**

The City of Winter Springs will provide law enforcement educational programs for children (DARE/GREAT, etc.) and for their Community Youth Organization (CYO) which provides positive alternatives for children during summer break. The technology improvements will provide Night Vision Goggles and a license plate recognition unit system for the Police department's tactical team. This project is approved under the prevention and education programs which is one of the seven federally approved program areas.

### **POLICE EQUIPMENT PROJECT**

**\$109,350**

The City of Oviedo will purchase police equipment. This project is approved under the Law Enforcement Program, which is one of the seven federally approved program areas.

### **POLICE PATROL VEHICLES**

**\$109,350**

The City of Casselberry will purchase police patrol vehicles. This project is approved under the Law Enforcement Program which is one of the seven federally approved program areas.

### **SUPPLEMENT EQUIPMENT FOR EXISTING DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS**

**\$109,350**

The City of Longwood will update and augment existing police patrol, traffic, and criminal investigation related equipment. The items will be used to prevent and control criminal activity. This project is approved under the Law Enforcement Program which is one of the seven federally approved program areas.

### **SEMINOLE COUNTY JUVENILE ASSESSMENT CENTER TRUANCY INTERDICTION PROJECT**

**\$109,350**

The Seminole County Sheriff's office will utilize the grant funds to contract with Boys Town of Central Florida for the provision of two staff members. These staff members will be employees of Boys Town and will assist with the supervision of truant youth while at the JAC STAY Center as well as enhance the current services by including home visits, counseling and follow up. This project is approved under the Law Enforcement Program which is one of the seven federally approved program areas.

### **SUPPORT EQUIPMENT FOR POLICE OFFICERS PROJECT**

**\$109,350**

The City of Sanford will procure equipment in support of the ten police officers that have applied under the Department of Justice's COPS grant program. This project is approved under the Law Enforcement and Prevention and Education Programs which are one of the seven federally approved program areas.

### **LICENSE PLATE RECOGNITION PROJECT**

**\$109,350**

The Sanford Airport Authority will purchase image –processing technology used to identify vehicles by their license plates. This technology is used in various security and traffic applications. This project is approved under the Law Enforcement Program which is one of the seven federally approved program areas.