
**SEMINOLE COUNTY GOVERNMENT
AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

SUBJECT: Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Program - Certificate of Participation for Annual Grant Funding

DEPARTMENT: Fiscal Services

DIVISION: Administration - Fiscal Services

AUTHORIZED BY: Lisa Spriggs **CONTACT:** Michele Saunders, Jennifer Bero **EXT:** 2301, 7163

MOTION/RECOMMENDATION:

Approve to continue participation in the Florida Department of Law Enforcement's Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program, authorize the Chairman to execute the Certificate of Participation naming Michele Saunders as the coordinator for the countywide application, and authorize the County Manager to execute any supporting documentation as may be required for the application.

County-wide

Jennifer Bero

BACKGROUND:

Through the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) provides an annual allocation of funding to local government agencies for activities that prevent and control crime. Staff was notified that Seminole County's allocation for FY 2009/10 is \$239,756. These funds are in addition to the allocation received as a result of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

The grant guidelines require that all units of government in the county reach a consensus concerning expenditures of these funds, including the projects to be implemented and the agency responsible for such implementation. The FDLE recommends facilitation of this consensus and coordination of the application process be handled by the Board of County Commissioners. Staff is requesting Board acceptance of this role by execution of a Certificate of Participation naming Michele Saunders, Community Services Department Director, as the designated coordinator.

In compliance with the grant guidelines, Ms. Saunders would facilitate a meeting with representatives from each of the seven (7) municipalities, the Sheriff's Office, and the Orlando-Sanford Airport Police Department to achieve the required consensus for use of the funding.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

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ATTACHMENTS:

1. Certificate

Additionally Reviewed By:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Budget Review (Lisa Spriggs)

CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION

Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program

Date: July 28, 2009

Mr. Clayton H. Wilder, Administrator
Office of Criminal Justice Grants
Florida Department of Law Enforcement
2331 Phillips Road
Tallahassee, FL 32308

Dear Mr. Wilder:

This is to inform you that the Board of County Commissioners Accepts X Declines the invitation to serve as the coordinating unit of government in the Florida Department of Law Enforcement's Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program.

For the purposes of coordinating the preparation of our application(s) for grant funds with the Office of Criminal Justice Grants, we have designated the following person:

Name: Michele Saunders
Title: Director of Community Services Department
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Telephone: (407) 665-2301 County: Seminole
Date: July 28, 2009

Sincerely,

Bob Dallari, Chairman
Seminole County Board of County Commissioners