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Public Hearing to Receive Public Comments on an Application for the 2015 Justice Assistance Grant

Department: Greensboro Police Department
Council District: All Districts

Public Hearing: 8/3/2015
Advertising Date/By: 7/23/15

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PURPOSE:

A public hearing has been advertised for August 3, 2015 for City Council to receive public comments on an application for the 2015 Justice Assistance Grant.

BACKGROUND:

Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program awards are formula-based, non-competitive federal criminal justice funds which do not require a match. JAG allocations are based on violent crime and population and the local unit of government award allocations are based on their proportion of the state's 3-year violent crime average. The Greensboro Police Department will serve as the lead/fiscal agency for the FY 15 JAG for the award period of October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2018.

This grant is a disparate allocation between the Greensboro Police Department, High Point Police Department and Guilford County Sherriff's Department. A disparate allocation occurs when a city or municipality is allocated more funds than the county, while the county bears more than 50 percent of the costs associated with prosecution or incarceration of the municipality's Part 1 violent crimes. These agencies have agreed to reallocate \$191,755 in JAG funds to the City of High Point for a total of \$39,974; to Guilford County for a total of \$48,321; and to the City of Greensboro for a total of \$103,460. An application process is required to approve the proposed use of funds. Greensboro will seek to purchase two vehicles to increase their fleet.

BUDGET IMPACT:

This is a reimbursable grant; no match required. Any expenses exceeding the JAG funding will be absorbed by each agency's budget. If approved and awarded as proposed, the Greensboro Police Department will leverage \$ 103,460 in federal funds.

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:

City Council is being requested to hold a public hearing to receive public comments on an application for the 2015 Justice Assistance Grant.