

# City of Greensboro

Melvin Municipal Building 300 W. Washington Street Greensboro, NC 27401

# **Legislation Text**

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Resolution Calling a Public Hearing for August 3, 2015 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**:

Collectively, the City of Greensboro, City of High Point and Guilford County have been awarded Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program FY 2015 funding totaling \$191,755. In accordance with Department of Justice funding requirements Council is required to offer public input prior to their consideration to approve proposed grant fund allocations and a Memorandum of Understanding between the participating jurisdictions. The City Council is requested to adopt the attached resolution calling a public hearing for August 3, 2015 to consider authorizing grant application and execution of a Memorandum of Understanding for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program FY 2015.

#### **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.

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## RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:

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