

Legislation Text

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Resolution Authorizing Grant Application and Execution of a Memorandum of Understanding for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program FY 2017

Department: Police Council District: All

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PURPOSE:

Collectively, the City of Greensboro, City of High Point and Guilford County have been awarded an Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program FY 2017 funding of \$209,245. Award notification was received June 26, 2018. On August 6, 2018, City Council was presented with a resolution calling a public hearing for August 21, 2018 to consider authorizing grant application and execution of a Memorandum of Understanding for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program FY 2017. Council is now requested to adopt the attached resolution and Memorandum of Understanding.

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 17 JAG for the award period of October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2020.

This grant is a disparate allocation between the Greensboro Police Department, High Point Police Department and Guilford County Sheriff'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 \$209,245 JAG funds to the Greensboro Police Department (\$113,616); Guilford County Sheriff's Department (\$53,206); and the High Point Police Department (\$42,423). An application process is required to approve the proposed use of funds.

BUDGET IMPACT:

This is a reimbursable grant and 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 \$113,616 in federal funds.

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:

City Council is requested to adopt the attached resolution and Memorandum of Understanding authorizing the Police Department to apply for and the City of Greensboro to execute the agreement for the appropriation of the 2017 Justice Assistance Grant in the amount of \$209,245.