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May 20th, 2010

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IN THE OFFICE OF
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SUMTER COUNTY
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The Honorable Doug Gilpin
Chairman, Sumter County
Board of Commissioners
910 North Main Street
Bushnell, Florida 33513

Re: Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2010 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program

Dear Chairman Gilpin:

The Sumter County Sheriff's Office is requesting permission to submit application for the above mentioned grant that funds the Sumter County Drug Task Force. Please sign the attached form. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

Juliane Day

Juliane Day MS, CJM, CAP
Administrative Sergeant – Project Director

CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION

Edward Byrne Memorial
Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program

Date: _____

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

Dear Mr. Wilder:

This is to inform you that the Board of County Commissioners Accepts ✓ 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 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: Juliane Day
Title: Administrative Sergeant - Project Director
E-mail address: jday@sumtercountysheriff.org
Agency: Sumter County Sheriff's Office
Address: 219 East Anderson Avenue
Telephone: 352 793 0229 County: Sumter
Date: _____

Sincerely,

Chair, Board of County Commissioners

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May 11, 2010

The Honorable Doug Gilpin
Chairman, Sumter County
Board of Commissioners
910 North Main Street
Bushnell, Florida 33513

Re: Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2010 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program – JAG Countywide – State Solicitation

Dear Chairman Gilpin:

The Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) anticipates an award from the United States Department of Justice for FFY 2010 JAG funds. FDLE will distribute these funds in accordance with the JAG Countywide distribution provisions of Chapter 11D-9, Florida Administrative Code.

FDLE has set aside $85,212 funds for use by all units of government within Sumter County. The enclosed Program Announcement provides an overview of these funds and can be used by local units of government to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime and to improve the criminal justice system. **Please note that the Program Announcement includes information from the U.S. Department of Justice relating several areas of national focus and its priorities to help maximize the effectiveness of the Byrne/JAG funding.**

As a condition of participation in this program, the units of government in each county must reach a consensus concerning the expenditure of these funds. This consensus must include the projects to be implemented as well as the agency responsible for such implementation.

Developing such consensus will require someone to exercise leadership and assume a coordinating role in the development of applications for these funds. FDLE recommends that the Board of County Commissioners assume this responsibility. In the event the county declines to serve in this capacity, the Department will request the governing body of each municipality in the county, in descending order of population, to serve as the coordinating unit of government.

The enclosed Certificate of Participation form requests the identification of an individual coordinator. We will send this individual further information regarding the application process in FDLE's on-line grant management system. Please complete the enclosed Certificate of Participation and return it within 30 days from the date of this correspondence to:

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

We look forward to working with you. If you have any questions or if we can provide you with any assistance regarding the JAG Program, please contact me at (850) 617-1250.

Sincerely,

Clayton H. Wilder
Administrator

CHW/JP/ps

Enclosures

cc: Mayors in Sumter County
Law Enforcement Agencies in Sumter County
Project Directors in Sumter County

PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT
FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2010

Edward Byrne Memorial
Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program

The State of Florida, Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE), anticipates an award from the United States Department of Justice (USDOJ) for $12,058,334 in Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) funds. FDLE will distribute these funds in accordance with the JAG Countywide distribution provisions of Chapter 11D-9, Florida Administrative Code. This announcement is to notify eligible applicants of program requirements. **Please note this Program Announcement includes information from the USDOJ relating several areas of national focus and its priorities to help maximize the effectiveness of the Byrne/JAG funding.**

Eligible Applicants

Units of local government are eligible to receive subgrants from FDLE. "Units of local government" means any city, county, town, township, borough, parish, village, or other general-purpose political subdivision of a State and includes Native American Tribes that perform law enforcement functions as determined by the Secretary of the Interior.

Program Strategy and Purposes

JAG blends the previous Byrne Formula and Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG) Programs to provide agencies with the flexibility to prioritize and to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime based on their own local needs and conditions. JAG funds can be used for state and local initiatives, technical assistance, training, personnel, equipment, supplies, contractual support, and information systems for criminal justice. Local units of government receiving JAG funding have the flexibility to implement projects in any of the seven federally approved purpose areas, listed below.

1) Law enforcement programs
2) Prosecution and court programs
3) Prevention and education programs
4) Corrections and community corrections programs
5) Drug treatment programs
6) Planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs
7) Crime victim and witness Programs

Any law enforcement or justice initiative previously eligible for funding under Byrne or LLEBG is eligible for JAG funding.

Coordination Efforts

Each county is allocated a sum of money for use by all local governments within the county. This amount is determined through a funding algorithm established in the administrative rule.

Chapter 11D-9.005, Florida Administrative Code, requires that units of government in each county reach consensus concerning the expenditure of these funds, including the projects to be implemented and the agency responsible for such implementation. Maximum coordination is required to meet this program requirement, and the Department requests the county board of commissioners to serve as the coordinating unit for all local governments within the county. The Chairman, Board of County Commissioners, in each county so notified is requested to return to the Department a statement of certification indicating the county's willingness to serve. This certification must be returned within 30 days from the date of receipt of notification. In the event the county declines to serve in this capacity, the Department will request the governing body of each municipality in the county, in descending order of population, to serve as the coordinating unit of government.

Each county or coordinating unit of government is encouraged to form a criminal justice coordinating/planning group to identify and implement criminal justice priorities for the county, to plan strategies to address those priorities, to identify areas of greatest need, and to review all possible sources of revenue to make sure that funds go to the programs or issues that need them most.

Furthermore, FDLE requires that units of government in each county reach consensus concerning the expenditure of the JAG funds, including the projects to be implemented and the agency responsible for such implementation. Each county must document this consensus by submitting letters from at least 51 percent of the units of government which also represents at least 51 percent of the population located in said county.

Match Requirements

There is no match requirement under the guidelines of the JAG program.

DOJ/Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Priorities

BJA wishes to ensure that recipients are aware of several areas of national focus and priority and to encourage recipients to maximize the effective use of JAG funds. The following is a brief list of key priorities:

1) Effective counterterrorism and terrorism prevention programs
2) Ensure that justice is truly done in the Criminal Justice System.
3) Smart Policing – evidence-based and data driven.
4) Offender Re-entry
5) Children exposed to violence are responded to effectively.

For more information on BJA's priorities, recipients may access: http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/grant/10JAGLocalSol.pdf (see pages 2 and 3). **This is for informational purposes only; do not apply for any funds through this solicitation. Recipient must still submit application for funding through SIMON.**

Application Requirements and Deadlines

Once the Certificate of Participation form designating the coordinator for your county is received, the Office of Criminal Justice Grants will send this individual further information regarding the application process.

Applicants must apply on-line using FDLE's grant management system. The deadline for the on-line submission is **5:00 P.M., Friday, June 25, 2010**. In addition, applicants must print out the completed application and submit **two (2) hard copies** (both with *original signatures*) no later than **5:00 P.M., Friday, July 2, 2010.** **A separate application must be submitted for each proposed project**. Applications should be mailed or hand delivered to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Office of Criminal Justice Grants, 2331 Phillips Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32308, Attention: Clayton H. Wilder, Administrator.

Applications must be accompanied by letters of approval representing agreement among at least 51 percent of all units of local government representing at least 51 percent of the county population as to the allocation of dollars to each project in the county.

Questions regarding this Program Announcement should be directed to Clayton H. Wilder, Florida Department of Law Enforcement, at (850) 617-1250.