



# City of Pensacola

222 West Main Street  
Pensacola, FL 32502

## Memorandum

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**File #:** 19-00175

City Council

4/25/2019

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### **LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEM**

**SPONSOR:** Grover C. Robinson, IV, Mayor

**SUBJECT:**

FY 19 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) PROGRAM: STATE

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That City Council approve and authorize the Mayor to execute the acceptance the FY 19 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program: State, agreement between the City of Pensacola and the State of Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Office of Criminal Justice Grants in the amount of \$34,348, upon award of the grant. Further, that City Council approve the supplemental budget resolution appropriating the grant funds.

**HEARING REQUIRED:** No Hearing Required

**SUMMARY:**

The Pensacola Police Department (PPD) will be submitting a grant application to the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Formula (State) to support efforts with purchasing fifteen tactical vests with rifle plates for the SWAT team.

These tactical vests will provide SWAT team members with ballistic protection while carrying out high risk operations. The current tactical vests worn by SWAT team members will expire in 08/2019, therefore new vests are required to remain in compliance with the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation Standards and is an essential, best practice.

The JAG Program blends the previous Byrne Formula and Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG) Programs (under Title XI-Department of Justice Reauthorization) to provide agencies with the flexibility to prioritize and place justice funds where they are most needed. The JAG Program provides states, tribes and local governments funding to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime based upon local needs and conditions. Matching funds are not required under the JAG Program.

Among the grant requirements are that the Pensacola Police Department notify City Council of its intended use of the grant and to allow the citizens an opportunity to comment prior to the application submission.

**PRIOR ACTION:**

None

**FUNDING:**

Budget: \$34,348

Actual: \$34,348

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The estimate grant award for the FY 19 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance (JAG) Program: State is \$34,348, based on the 2019 Florida Local JAG Allocations. Projects to be funded from this grant award do not require a local match. Approval of the supplemental budget resolution will appropriate funding for this grant.

**CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW:** Yes

4/4/2019

**STAFF CONTACT:**

Christopher L. Holley, City Administrator  
Tommi Lyter, Chief of Police

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1) Certificate of Sub-Award
- 2) Supplemental Budget Resolution
- 3) Supplemental Budget Explanation

**PRESENTATION:** No