

City of Greensboro

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Agenda Report

File Number: 2022-838

Agenda Item# G.2.

Agenda Date: 8/16/2022. **Department:** Police

Meeting Type: Council Meeting Category: Consent Agenda

Title: 2022 – 838 Resolution Authorizing Grant Application for the Edward Byrne Memorial

Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program FY22- \$297,844

Council Priority: Place an 'x' in the box.

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Council District: All

Public Hearing: No

Advertising Date/By: NA

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PURPOSE:

The Greensboro Police Department, High Point Police Department and Guilford County Sheriff's Office wish to jointly apply for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program FY22 in the amount of \$297,844. Council is requested to adopt the attached resolution approving the grant application.

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 FY22 JAG for the award period of October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2025.

These agencies have agreed to allocate the \$297,844 JAG funds as follows: the Greensboro Police Department (\$168,128); Guilford County Sheriff's Department (\$74,814.40); and the High Point Police Department (\$54,901.60). This grant is a disparate allocation between the Greensboro Police Department, High Point Police Department and Guilford County Sheriff's Department.

Over the past decade, the Greensboro Police Department has used JAG funds to purchase equipment that exceeds their general fund budget. Such items have included bomb suits as well as capital equipment to update the Forensics Division Laboratory to help investigate and solve violent crime. For the 2022 JAG, anticipated expenditures include needed equipment for Police Canine, technology for investigative units, and devices to expand the department's real time crime center.

BUDGET IMPACT:

This is a reimbursable grant and no match is required. Any expenses exceeding the JAG funding will be absorbed by each agency's budget.

ACCOUNT NUMBER:

NA

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:

It is recommended that City Council adopt the resolution granting the Greensboro Police Department approval to apply for the 2022 Justice Assistance Grant in the amount of \$297,844.