



City of Greensboro

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300 W. Washington Street
Greensboro, NC 27401

Agenda Report

File Number: 2022-983

Agenda Item# H.1.

Agenda Date: 10/3/2022. **Department:** Police

Meeting Type: Council Meeting **Category:** Public Hearing Agenda

Title: 2022 – 983 Public Hearing to Receive Public Comments on the 2022 Justice Assistance Grant

Council Priority: Place an ‘x’ in the box.

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- Maintain Infrastructure and Provide Sustainable Growth Opportunities
- Promote Public Safety & Reduce Crime
- Exceptional Customer Service and a Diverse City Government Workforce
- Ensure Fiscal Stewardship, Transparency, & Accountability

Council District: All

Public Hearing: Yes

Advertising Date/By: 9/22/2021/by City Clerk

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PURPOSE:

This public hearing is to receive public comment on the 2022 Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant awarded to the Greensboro Police Department.

BACKGROUND:

On September 6, 2022 City Council approved the Resolution to Call for a Public Hearing on the 2022 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG). The program awards are direct to local jurisdictions. The allocation is from a formula-based, non-competitive federal criminal justice funds which does not require a match. The grant award is calculated by the Bureau of Justice Statistics, based upon a specific formula and involves the state’s share of the national population and the state’s share of the country’s violent crime statistics.

The 2022 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) funds of \$297,844 will be administered by the Greensboro Police Department. The funding will be divided between the Greensboro Police Department, Guilford County Sheriff’s Department, and the High Point Police Department. This

public hearing is a requirement of the administration of the JAG Grant pursuant to applicable Federal law. The allocations for each jurisdiction are:

- Guilford County: \$ 74,814.40
- City of Greensboro: \$ 168,128
- City of High Point: \$ 54,901.60

The Greensboro Police Department will purchase equipment for their Investigative Bureau to include tactical alarms and other devices for robbery and narcotics suppression and investigation with the goal of reducing violent crime. GPD will also purchase Canine equipment, training aides, a “throw phone” for the Negotiations Team as well as furniture and additional equipment to support their Real Time Crime Center. High Point Police Department intends to fund in-car and body worn camera systems and the Guilford County Sheriff’s Department plans to purchase two fully marked patrol cars with in-car camera systems.

BUDGET IMPACT:

The grant does not require a match and there is no adverse budgetary impact. Any expenses beyond the department’s allotment will be absorbed by their general fund budget.

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:

It is recommended that City Council receive public comments on the 2022 Justice Assistance Grant.