



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Sheriff's Office



Date: November 10, 2016
Board Meeting Date: December 13, 2016
Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Carlos G. Bolanos, Sheriff

Subject: FY 2016 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution accepting the FY 2016 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program award, for the term of October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2017, in the amount of \$23,317.

BACKGROUND:

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program is administered by the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA). The JAG Program has seven purpose areas under which funds may be awarded, one of which is law enforcement. JAG funded projects address crime through the provision of services directly to individuals and/or communities and by improving the effectiveness and efficiency of criminal justice systems, processes, and procedures.

The Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) calculates the JAG formula-based award amount using specifications outlined in the JAG legislation. According to the legislation, states may only retain award amounts that bear the same ratio of (A) total expenditures on criminal justice by the state government in the most recently completed fiscal year to (B) the total expenditures on criminal justice by the state government and units of local government within the state in such year.

After determining the amount spent on criminal justice expenditures by the state government, the state may retain that amount. The remainder of funding is passed down to the local governments within the state. These criminal justice expenditure amounts are referred to as "variable pass-through" data for the purpose of JAG awards.

DISCUSSION:

The Sheriff's Office applied for and received funding in the amount of \$23,317 from the FY 2016 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program. The project

date is October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2017. The project start date is the first day of the federal fiscal year. The allocations for eligible state and local jurisdictions are posted on the Bureau of Justice's website on or around October 1st. By the time the applications are submitted to the Bureau of Justice and award notifications sent out, approximately one year from the initial project start date has passed.

Last year, the California Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA) revised the California Code of Regulations, Division 9, Title 22, First-Aid Standards for Public Safety Personnel. As a result, POST's first aid related course titles, course content, and instructor qualifications are changing. Public safety personnel trained only in First Aid/CPR under previous title 22 requirements will need additional or "updated" training which contains new material prior to completing regular, biennial refresher training. In addition, the refresher training frequency has changed from 12 hours every three years to eight hours every two years.

The Sheriff's Office intends to use the funding towards updating the First Aid/CPR curriculum to meet the revised Title 22 requirements. The revised Title 22 standards must be certified under new course titles before April 1, 2017. With the updated standards, there are additional skills and training which includes new content for Public Safety First Aid training (e.g., Automated Electronic Defibrillator (AED), EMS Integration/Active Shooter, assisted Epinephrine administration, Psychological emergencies, and control of bleeding). In order to accomplish this, the Sheriff's Office First Aid/CPR instructors must complete the new course certification. FY 2016 JAG funding will be used towards registration fees for the course certification.

FY 2016 JAG funding will also be used towards purchasing new training equipment to be used in conjunction with the First Aid/CPR curriculum. The training supplies/equipment currently in use is dated and the majority of the inventory is in need of repair or replacement. The new supplies and equipment will provide personnel with proper hands-on practice to develop skills to recognize, evaluate, and effectively assist those people in need of emergency medical care.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the resolution as to form.

Acceptance of this grant award contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of Safe Neighborhoods by providing the necessary training and tools to enhance the effectiveness of law enforcement when responding to emergencies that require the immediate care of injured and/or ill persons.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE:

Measure	FY 2015-16 Actual	FY 2016-17 Projected
Total number of training hours conducted for Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) and Standards and Training for Corrections (STC)	54,534	55,000

FISCAL IMPACT:

The FY 2016 Edward Byrne memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program award in the amount of \$23,317 does not require matching County funds. There is no Net County Cost.