Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Formula Program: FY 2020 Local Solicitation

Greater Cleveland Area JAG

City of Cleveland, Ohio

Program Narrative

A. Description of the Issues

Strategy/funding priorities: The city of Cleveland and subgrantee agencies (Cuyahoga County and the cities of Euclid, Parma, Cleveland Hts., and East Cleveland) have selected funding priorities including police support staff and police equipment upgrades.

Jurisdiction	Allocation	Program
CUYAHOGA COUNTY	\$110,703	Radio equipment
CLEVELAND	\$425,120	Police support staff
EAST CLEVELAND	\$10,413	Equipment for K-9 Vehicle
CLEVELAND HTS	\$0.00	N/A
EUCLID	\$25,206	Equipment to outfit two new patrol cars
PARMA	\$10,819	Equipment to convert a vehicle into a police vehicle

Subgrant award process and timeline: The funding will be distributed as follows:

The City of Cleveland will be the fiscal agent and will spend no more than \$21,256 of their share of the funding to administer this grant on behalf of all jurisdictions.

Once the award the award is issued, it will take approximately one month to enter into contracts with the subgrantee agencies. All funding should be expended by the subgrantee agencies within one year of the contracts being finalized. Cleveland's funding will be used within two years of the award date.

Programs to be funded: The Cleveland Division of Police will maintain the employment of six police support staff. This includes four fingerprint examiners and two intelligence analysts. The work of these people is critical to the division of police. These positions are not in the general budget nor is there room to add them. Without this funding these positions would be eliminated.

The city of East Cleveland will use their funding to outfit a K-9 vevicle. They do not have the funding to purchase this equipment without this grant.

The city of Euclid will use their funding to outfit two new patrol vehicles. They have been unable to locate other funding for these purchases.

The city of Parma will use their funding to convert an SUV into a serviceable police vehicle which they have been unable to do due to a need for funding..

Cuyahoga County needs to upgrade their police radio equipment for the sheriff's deputies to the latest technology. The radios are SAFECOM compliant, support a Statewide Communication Interoperability Plan (SCIP), and improve interoperable communications locally, regionally and statewide.

B. Project Design and Implementation

Strategic Planning Process: For the Cuyahoga County radio program, their plan for the funding is part of a Statewide Communication Interoperability Plan (SCIP), and improve interoperable communications locally, regionally and statewide. Stakeholders include law enforcement agencies throughout the state.

For the city of Cleveland, the plan to use JAG funding for fingerprint examiners was designed through meetings with the city and county, and with the city and county as stakeholders. The fingerprint examiners will likely become part of the staff of a regional crime lab and will be processing fingerprint evidence for numerous cities. The network analysts handle technical issues related to numerous regional initiatives, including the Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) and Automatic License Plate Readers (ALPR).

C. Capabilities and Competencies

The Cleveland Department of Public Safety (DPS) Grants Coordinator, Dawn Heartsong, will ensure all programmatic grant requirements are meet. Ms. Heartsong has 23 years of experience managing grants for the city of Cleveland, including awards from \$500 dollars to \$50 million dollars. The fiscal reporting will be managed by DPS Budget Administrator Amy Hewett. Ms. Hewett is responsible for fiscal grant management for all DPS grants, and has held this position for over five years.

Additional strategic planning: No additional strategic planning other than what is identified above.

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D. Plan for collecting the data required for this solicitation

Describe the applicant's plan for collection of all performance measure data: The Cleveland Department of Public Safety's Grants Coordinator will create a report form for all subgrantees and collect data from them quarterly. This data will be entered into the PMT system by the Grants Coordinator. We understand the performance data reporting requirements for this grant.