



Request for City Council Committee Action

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To Public Safety and Regulatory Services Committee
Referral to Ways and Means Committee

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Approved by Tim Dolan, Assistant Chief of Police, _____

Subject 2005 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Award

Presenters in Committee D. C. Sharon Lubinski, Field Services, Police Department

Recommendation

The Police Department respectfully requests permission to accept the U.S DOJ Bureau of Justice Assistance 2005 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) award funding through Hennepin County and that the proper city officials be authorized to execute the required contract agreements. This grant award will be operating through Hennepin County with Minneapolis as a sub-recipient to the county's award. The Police Department requests an amendment to the general appropriation resolution for 2005 in the amount of \$500,759. \$350,000 of the grant award will operate through the City Attorney Federal Grant Special Revenue Fund, 0300-140-1410, Revenue Source 3210, and \$150,759 of the grant award will operate through the Police Department Federal Grant Special Revenue Fund, 0300-400-P611, revenue source 3210.

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

- No financial impact (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
- Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
- Action requires use of contingency or reserves
- Other financial impact (Explain):
- Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator

Background/Supporting Information

The Police Department requests permission to accept funding from the 2005 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant awarded to Hennepin County to be shared with nine municipalities within the county. The Minneapolis share of the award is \$500,759 to be expended over the next three years. No local match is required.

Funds awarded under this Block Grant will be used to provide staff support in the City Attorney's Office to respond to misdemeanor violations and citations made by the Department's Community Response Teams and CODEFOR. Funds will also be used to enhance the operational capabilities of the Police Department.

**2005 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program
City of Minneapolis Proposed Spending Plan**

The City of Minneapolis has several goals it wishes to accomplish with the Block Grant funds. They are:

- Enhance neighborhood livability in the city**
- Compliment the city's commitment to the Community Oriented Policing Program**
- Enhance community response to crime problems**
- Enhance law enforcement system's ability to respond to chronic misdemeanants who terrorize neighborhoods with consistent disorderly behavior**

In order to be more efficient with limited resources, the City intends to include in its application initiatives that build upon existing programs that need expanded funding, new initiatives that address unfunded priority needs, and partnerships with the community and other entities for initiatives that cross jurisdictional lines.

The suggested funding categories for 2005 JAG award are:

1. Misdemeanor Enforcement Program - City Attorney, 9th year funding	\$350,000
2. Overtime - for patrol and investigative initiatives	\$100,659
3. Equipment for Precinct patrols, and other investigative and support service needs.	\$50,100
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