



Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

Legislation Text

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A resolution accepting the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant from the Office of Justice Programs to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department, for specialized training and equipment to ensure personnel maintain needed certifications for criminal investigation and crime reduction initiatives.

WHEREAS, the Office of Justice Programs has awarded the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant, in an amount not to exceed \$594,876.00 with no cash match required, to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department, for specialized training and equipment to ensure personnel maintain needed certifications for criminal investigation and crime reduction initiatives; and,

WHEREAS, it is to the benefit of the citizens of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County that this grant award be accepted.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

Section 1. That the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant by and between the Office of Justice Programs, in an amount not to exceed \$594,876.00, and the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department, for specialized training and equipment to ensure personnel maintain needed certifications for criminal investigation and crime reduction initiatives, a copy of which grant is attached hereto and incorporated herein, is hereby approved, and the Metropolitan Mayor is authorized to execute the same.

Section 2. That the amount of this grant is to be appropriated to the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department based on revenues estimated to be received and any match to be applied.

Section 3 That this resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.

Analysis

This resolution accepts the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) from the United States Department of Justice to the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime including technology upgrades, supplies for direct support, in-service, and specialized training. The grant is an amount not to exceed \$594,876 with no cash match required.

The grant period is October 1, 2022, to September 30, 2026. The budget details for the grant are attached to the resolution. This grant includes funding for travel and lodging for personnel to attend the CALEA Conference, Digital Forensic training, SANS and EnCase Digital Forensics training, Crimes Against Children Conference, International Conference on Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence, IACP Officer Safety and Wellness Symposium, National Association of SRO Basic Class, Virtual Crash Training to Law Enforcement, LeadsOnline Conference, Airbus Recurrent Pilot Training, Crime Prevention and Environmental Design, Introduction to Human Trafficking, Wickerlander-Zulaski Interview Techniques, International Association of Crime Analysis Conference, International Association of Chiefs of Police, and MCCA Financial Managers

Meeting. Conferences and training are required for certification, recertification, or to provide information to personnel in the police office. Equipment includes F.A.S.T. forensic laptop, wireless Axis cameras, F.A.S.T. digital forensic workstations, first responder bag with AED and first aid kits, a shelving system for the property room, 5' x 10' utility trailer to carry cones and barricades for special events, night vision goggles to replace existing goggles used by SWAT, K-9 and the Emergency Contingency Unit, wide body enclosed motorcycle trailer for the motor unit, pole camera with computer for the special investigations division, a Microsoft Surface and television for the Behavior Health Division, and workout equipment for the Hermitage, West, and Midtown precincts including single bay suspension station, free-weight rack, adjustable bench, and treadmill. The grant would also fund supplies including breaching kits or search warrants, water filled barriers for special events, chairs for Central Precinct, stinger spike systems to reduce length and safety concerns of vehicular pursuits, shelving for the property and evidence sections, and exercise equipment for the Hermitage, West, and Midtown precincts including kettle bells and bumper plates. Included in the total grant amount is \$40,099 for indirect costs.

The application for this grant award was previously approved pursuant to RS2023-22.