

PONTIAC CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION

September 28, 2017 6:00 p.m. 208th Session of the 9th Council

It is this Council's mission "To serve the citizens of Pontiac by committing to help provide an enhanced quality of life for its residents, fostering the vision of a family-friendly community that is a great place to live, work and play."

Call to order

Roll Call

Authorization to excuse councilmembers

Amendments to and Approve the Agenda

Approval of the minutes

1. September 21, 2017

Special Presentation

- 2. Randy Carter
- 3. Lakeshore Presentation By Coryelle Christie

Public Comment

Agenda Items

- 4. Request to approve the resolution regarding the gift of land.
- 5. Request to approve the drain assessment to be levied on Tax Roll.
- 6. Request to approve the JAG agreement with Oakland County Sheriff's Office.
- 7. Information regarding the Special Assessment.

Adjournment

Official Proceedings Pontiac City Council 207th Session of the Ninth Council

A Formal Meeting of the City Council of Pontiac, Michigan was called to order in City Hall, Thursday, September 21, 2017 at 6:03 P.M. by the President Patrice Waterman.

Call to Order at 6:03 P.M.

Roll Call

Members Present: Carter, Taylor-Burks, Waterman and Williams.

Members Absent: Holland, Pietila and Woodward.

Clerk announced a quorum.

17-301 Excuse Councilperson Mark Holland, Mary Pietila and Don Woodward for personal reasons. Moved by Councilperson Williams and supported by Councilperson Taylor-Burks.

Ayes: Taylor-Burks, Waterman, Williams and Carter.

No: None

Motion Carried.

17-302 **Approval of the agenda.** Moved by Councilperson Williams and supported by Councilperson Carter.

Ayes: Taylor-Burks, Waterman, Williams and Carter.

No: None

Motion Carried.

17-303 **Journal of September 14, 2017.** Moved by Councilperson Taylor-Burks and supported by Councilperson Carter.

Ayes: Taylor-Burks, Waterman, Williams and Carter.

No: None

Motion Carried.

Deputy Mayor or Departmental Head Reports – Deputy Mayor Jane Bias-Disessa

Councilwomen Mary Pietila arrived at 6:14 p.m.

Councilman Mark Holland arrived at 6:20 p.m.

There were 14 individuals who addressed the body during public comment.

Honorable Mayor Deirdre Waterman Reported.

Councilman Kermit Williams, Councilman Randy Carter, Councilwomen Doris Taylor-Burks, Councilman Mark Holland, Pro-Tem Mary Pietila and President Patrice Waterman made closing comments. Deputy City Clerk Sheila Grandison and City Attorney had no closing comments.

Councilman Mark Holland left meeting at 8:40 p.m.

President Patrice Waterman adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

SHEILA R. GRANDISON DEPUTY CITY CLERK



Lakeshore Legal Aid marks 50th year of outreach efforts

An anniversary that salutes a half-century of delivering legal services to those below the power-tyline and a grant that more than doubled Lakeshore Legal Aid's annual budget are milesteness that give the tri-county nonprofit cause to celebrate. To that end, Lakeshore Legal Aid's Aid (LLA) held an anniversary celebration November 17 at the Detroit Historical Museum to mark its 50th year of providing legal services to Michigan's seniors, familles, and victims of demestic volces to Michigan's seniors, familles, and victims of demestic volces to Michigan's seniors, familles, and victims of demestic volces to Michigan's seniors, familles, and victims of demestic volces to Michigan's seniors, familles, and victims of constitution (LSC), the single largest funder of civil legal and for low-income Americans in the nation.

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LSC's backing has helped LLA to become the largest legal aid nonprofit in Michigan, according to Ashley Lowe, chief executive officer of Lakeshore Legal Aid.

"We are very excited about this grant," Lowe said. "It is designed to reach people who are below the federal poverty line. It gives us the money to seve more people in Macomb, Oakland, and Wayne counties. I expect the number of clients we serve in the future to increase significantly."

During the November 17 central LLA Executive Director William Knight spoke about the interest of the company of the product of the future, and the "goal of being community lawyers. working with low-income people in the neighborhoods in which they live and becoming part of these communities and part of the solution to their legal needs," according to Lowe.

"This is a celebration of what community lawyers and our vision of what community lawyers we've done and our vision of what community lawyers.

"This is a celebration of what we've done and our vision of what community lawyering mean," said Low. "We want to spread the news about our additional funding and the pro bonolegal services we provide." Awarded last March, the three-year legal grant has enabled Lakeshore Legal Aid to reach 17 counties, making it the largest legal aid provider in Michigan. And with the hiring of 50 new staff members, LLA now has the capacity to serve an additional 640,000 clients. "One of the things that has been a exciting about the past few months has been interview. The serve said, "We have hired an amazing group of attorneys," Lowe said. "We have hired an amazing group of attorneys. Each of them is commended to the service of the



Among those who attended the 50th anniversary celebration at the Detroit Historical Muse-um vere fielt to right) LLA Evocutive Director William Knight; LLA Board member Heroid Keys; Alnia Posey, domestic violence survivor and community activist; Thomas Linn, chair-

man emeritus of Miller Canfield; and Ashley Lowe, chief executive officer of LLA. Net pro-ceeds from the November 17 event benefited LLA through the Access to Justice Fund.

director for Advocates for Warriors at Wayne State University,
an initiative that lends free legal
assistance to members of the
military, veterans, and their famities.

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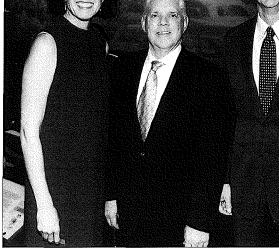
legal services is "holistic." said Lowe.

"We want to be easily accessible to our clients so we can better understand the issues they are facing and their unique needs." Lowe added.

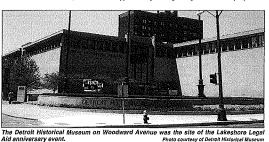
The organization's mission, clowe indicated, is one that exercises "all methods of legal advicacy, training, and outreath' or empower low-income people, provide access to the legal system, and preserve the dignity of clients.

"It's critical that we provide access to the legal system and a voice for our clients," Lowe said. "Without free legal services, many low-income people would be denied meaningful access to the legal system and would not have the ability to have their voices heard."

"By having as many attorneys as possible available to go to court with our clients, we are changing the balance of power in their lives by evening things out and giving them a choice," Lowe said. "And we get to do that every day."



Lakeshore Legal Aid CEO Ashley Lowe and LLA Executive Director William Knight are pictured with master of ceremonies Roger Weber (right), retired reporter for WDIV-TV in Detroit.



Lakeshore Legal Aid

Lakeshore is a not-for-profit law firm providing a wide range of free civil legal services to low-income people and seniors in our communities.

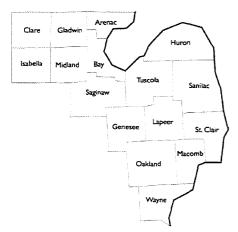
Our Mission

- Empower people to address their legal rights and concerns
- Provide access to the legal system and all community resources
- Preserve the dignity of our clients.

Lakeshore's attorneys are able to:

- Represent clients in court cases
- Provide legal advice and counseling
- Provide legal education presentations to community groups
- Provide referrals to other community resources
- Review and prepare documents

Lakeshore cannot provide legal assistance in criminal matters, and services may be limited by the number of attorneys and other resources available.



Free Civil Legal Advice

To speak with an attorney immediately call our toll free Counsel and Advocacy Law line (CALL) at::

(888) 783-8190

Examples of legal matters we handle:

- Debt Collection and Debt Counseling
- Divorce
- Drivers License Restoration
- Eviction Defense
- Expungement
- Mortgage and Tax Foreclosure
- Guardianship/Conservatorship
- Identity Theft
- Personal Protection Orders
- Public Benefits
- Disability and Age-Related Benefits
- Access to Adequate Housing
- Utility Shut-Offs
- Wills and Powers of Attorney

Lakeshore Legal Aid is funded in part by the Legal Services Corporation, Office of Violence Against Women, Area Agency on Aging 1-B, Region VII Area Agency on Aging, Valley Area Agency on Aging, United Way, Michigan State Bar Foundation and St. Clair County Senior Citizen Millage. Lakeshore Legal Aid complies with the terms and regulations of the Title V of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended and Section 504 of the Social Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and is an Equal Opportunity Employer Program. Reasonable accommodation will be provided upon notification or request.



Long-Term Care
Ombudsman
Program
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No Justice at All

www.lakeshorelegalaid.org

Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program

Local Ombudsmen are advocates for resilents in licensed long-term care facilities

Local Ombudsmen are able to:

- · Assist in the resolution of resident concerns
- · Explain residents' rights
- · Empower residents
- Promote community education regarding long term care issues
- Promote high quality of care
- Promote the use of best practices

When to call an Ombudsman:

- You have concerns about care in a facility
- You have questions about your rights in a long term care facility
- You have questions on alternatives to nursing home care
- You want to learn more about best practices and creative solutions to problems in long term care settings

You have questions about long term care issues

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Signs of Elder Abuse and Exploitation

Physical Abuse

- Frequent unexplained injuries or complaints of pain without obvious injury
- Unexplained burns or bruises
- Passive, withdrawn and emotionless behavior, or lack of reaction to pain
- Complaints of physical abuse

Sexual Abuse

- Injury or bruising to the genital area
- Difficulty in sitting or walking
- Fear of being alone with caregivers
- Reports or complaints of sexual assault

Verbal Abuse

• Threats, ridiculing, or cursing at senior

Financial Abuse

- Mismanagement of funds by responsible party
- Facility patient-pay amount not being paid
- Lost, stolen or destroyed property

Neglect

- Noticeable malnutrition or dehydration
- Lack of personal cleanliness
- Habitually dressed in torn or dirty clothes
- Obvious fatigue and listlessness
- In need of medical or dental care
- Left unattended for long periods
- Begs for food or water
- Bed sores

How to Report Abuse

If you suspect elder or vulnerable adult abuse, neglect or exploitation has occurred in

- A private residence,
- An unlicensed setting such as an assisted living facility
- An adult foster care home
- A home for the aged
- A nursing home where the suspected perpetrator is not an employee of the facility or the resident is on leave from the nursing home

Notify Adult Protective Services:

(855) 444-3911

If you suspect abuse, neglect or exploitation of a resident of a nursing home by another resident or by a nursing home employee

Notify Bureau of Health Services Abuse Hotline:

(800) 882-6006

If you would like more information on how to protect vulnerable adults please visit the Senior Brigade at:

www.michigan.gov/sb

Family Law Assistance Project (FLAP) Legal Clinic/Intake Schedule

Clinics will be held the following days for 2017:

January 11	May 17	September 20
January 25	May 31	October 4
February 8	June 14	October 18
February 22	June 28	November 1
March 8	July 12	November 15
March 22	July 26	November 29
April 5	August 9	December 13
April 19	August 23	
May 3	September 6	

Who Is Eligible:

- Low-income individuals with family law matters in Oakland County
- U.S. Citizens or eligible aliens
- Not currently represented by an attorney
- Those with a domestic violence conviction or plea or have been the respondent in a Personal Protection Order MUST complete a domestic violence screening prior to meeting with FLAP staff. This screening takes place at the law library from 12:30 to 2 p.m. on FLAP intake dates. If you are determined not to be eligible for FLAP services you will be provided additional resources. If you do not wish to participate in the domestic violence screening you may receive legal services through other providers in Oakland County. These numbers are available through the Michigan Legal Help on-line resource at www.michiganlegalhelp.org.

What:

- Meet with FLAP attorney free of charge for information and advice, assistance with preparing documents and be considered for direct representation by an attorney
- No children, please
- Bring copies of all documents and orders related to the case

When: Every other Wednesday from 12:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m., (MUST sign in before 3:00 p.m. to meet with an attorney)

Where:

 Oakland County Law Library 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac West Wing Extension, 2nd Floor

Further Information:

- Print and complete intake forms to bring to clinic
- https://www.oakgov.com/lawlibrary/Documents/form/clinicintake.pdf
- Court deadline prior to next advice clinic may call 248-335-0125



FREE Legal Assistance for Low Income People & Seniors in Oakland County for issues such as:

- Divorce
- Custody
- Child Support
- And more....



Family Law Assistance (FLAP) for Low-Income People & Seniors (age 60 & older) in Oakland County

FLAP is a long-standing collaboration between Lakeshore Legal Aid and Western Michigan University-Thomas M. Cooley Law School-Auburn Hills campus:

- FLAP is a FREE teaching clinic staffed by licensed attorneys and law students
- Students are authorized to practice law with supervision of staff attorneys and clinical faculty
- Students interview and counsel clients, prepare legal pleadings, and represent clients in the Oakland County Circuit Court.

FLAP:

- Accepts applicants for service at our every other Wednesday clinics held at the Oakland County Law Library in Pontiac
- Prospective clients must be low income or age 60 & older, have a family law issue (divorce, custody, child support, etc.), be a resident or need legal services in Oakland County, and not be represented by an attorney

At the clinic, applicants will complete questionnaires to determine eligibility and priority in the clinic, and meet with an attorney free of charge who will provide information regarding their legal situation. All information provided is protected by the attorney-client privilege. Applicants accepted as clients will be provided direct representation or other legal services based on available resources.

For further information call (248) 335-0125 or visit this website: http://www.oakgov.com/lawlib/news/lakeshore.html



CLEAR YOUR CRIMINAL RECORD!

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- Individuals with TWO MISDEMEANORS and/or ONE FELONY
- Five years after completion of sentence
- State of Michigan convictions only (nothing out of state)
- NO DUIs (OR) TRAFFIC OFFENSES. No exceptions

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9 AM TO 7 PM

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9 AM TO 3 PM

Memorandum

To: Honorable City Council

From: Garland S. Doyle, M.P.A., CNP, Deputy Director, Community Development Department

Thru: Jane Bais-DiSessa, Deputy Mayor

Date: September 22, 2017

Re: Resolution Regarding Gift of Land

The attached resolution is a gift of land parcel 14-32-107-010 from Ms. Shari Scott. This parcel is Stout Street Park. It was sold to a third party when the City was under receivership. Ms. Scott purchased it from the third party and is donating the park back to the City. In order to accept the gift, your honorable body has to approve the attached resolution.

Also, I have attached the quit claim deed from Ms. Scott to the City of Pontiac.

cc: Rachel Loughrin, Economic Development Director



CITY OF PONTIAC CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION REGARDING GIFT OF LAND

WHEREAS, Shari Scott, whose address is 126 N. Astor St, Pontiac, Michigan ("Scott"), is the owner of certain vacant real property located on Stout St., Pontiac, Michigan, parcel number 14-32-107-010 (the "Property");

WHEREAS, Scott desires to gift the Property to the City of Pontiac (the "Gift"); and

WHEREAS, the City desires to accept the Gift and, in consideration of the Gift, the City also desires to waive the payment of any currently due and owing ad valorem real property taxes associated with the Property, and incurred during the period that Scott was the record owner of the Property; and

WHEREAS, the attached Quit Claim Deed has been prepared for the purpose of conveying the Property to the City; and

WHEREAS, the Pontiac City Council has been otherwise sufficiently informed of the matters set forth herein.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Pontiac City Council: (1) the Gift is accepted; (2) any currently due and owing ad valorem real property taxes associated with the Property, and incurred during the period the Property was owned by Scott, are hereby waived; and (3) the City is authorized to obtain a property title search or policy of title insurance in connection with the Gift.

	PASSED		APPROVED _, 2017.	BY	THE	CITY	COUNCIL,	Pontiac,	Michigan,	this	day of
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Dated:	:.		, 2017		SHE	RIKIA I	HAWKINS, C	City Clerk			

QUIT CLAIM DEED

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That Grantor SHARI SCOTT, a single woman whose address is 126 N. Astor St., Pontiac, MI 48342, Quit Claims to Grantee CITY OF PONTIAC, a Michigan municipal corporation, whose address is 47450 Woodward Ave., Pontiac, MI 48342, the following described premises situated in the City of Pontiac, County of Oakland, and State of Michigan, to wit:

A parcel of land situated in the Northwest ¼ of Section 32, T3N, R10E, within the City of Pontiac, Oakland County, Michigan, more particularly described as:

The northwesterly 200 feet of the northeasterly 58 feet of Lot 36 of "B. G. Stouts Addition Subdivision" in the City of Pontiac, as recorded in Liber 1 of plats, page 28RT, Oakland County Records, Oakland County, Michigan.

Commonly known as: No address. Vacant land on Stout St.

Parcel ID: 14-32-107-010

together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, for the sum of One and 00/100 (\$1.00) Dollar(s).

The Grantor(s) grant(s) to the Grantee(s) the right to make all available division(s) under section 108 of the Land Division Act, Act No. 288 of the Public Acts of 1967.

This property may be located within the vicinity of farm land or a farm operation. Generally accepted agricultural and management practices which may generate noise, dust, odors and other associated conditions may be used and are protected by the Michigan Right to Farm Act.

Dated this day of	_, 2017.		
		Signed by:	
		Shari Scott	
STATE OF MICHIGAN)		
COUNTY OF)§)		
The foregoing instrument was acknowly Shari Scott.	owledged	before me this day of	, 2017,



MEMORANDUM

City of Pontiac Finance Director Nevrus P. Nazarko, CPA 47450 Woodward Avenue Pontiac, Michigan 48342 Phone: 248.758.3118

Fax: 248.758.3197

DATE: Se

September 25, 2017

TO:

Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM:

Nevrus P. Nazarko, CPA

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Finance Director

Through:

Jane Bais DiSessa-Deputy Mayor

SUBJECT: Drain assessment to be levied on Tax Roll

Attached is a summary report from the Water Resource Commissioner's office that shows the Chapter 4 drain assessments to be paid by the City of Pontiac in the amount of \$52,150.26. This total includes \$10,419.21 that should be assessed to property owners that border the related drains and lakes

There are 5,955 total parcels that would be assessed a charge, 254 non-residential and 5,701 residential parcels. As the attached spreadsheet shows, the majority of residential parcels will be assessed a drain charge from \$0.20 to \$3.09 for the fiscal year 2017. Only 11 residential parcels will pay an average of \$36.59. The at large assessment of \$25,000 will be paid by the general fund and is applicable to the Crystal Lake Drain. The 192-page detail assessment list is available in PDF format from the Treasurer's Office.

Since there is no balance in the drain fund, this assessment, will be the responsibility of the General Fund in addition to the Chapter 20 and Chapter 4 at large assessments.

If Council agrees that the property assessments should be spread to the tax rolls, then the following resolution would be in order:

Whereas, the Water Resources Commissioner has notified the City of property assessments for nearly 5,955 parcels in the City of Pontiac that specifically benefited the property owner; and,

Whereas, the property assessments to the homeowners in their respective drain districts will have an average assessment between \$0.20 to \$36.59 per parcel, and;

Whereas, the Pontiac City Council believes that it is in the best interest of the City, that property owners who receive a direct benefit from the drain should pay for the benefit;

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the Pontiac City Council directs that the City Treasurer spread \$10,419.21 of property assessment on the 2017 winter tax rolls by directed by the Water Resources Commissioner.

	AT LARGE	NON RESIDENTIAL			RE	COMBINED TOTAL		
		# OF PARCELS	AVERAGE	TOTAL	# OF PARCELS	AVERAGE	TOTAL	
BARTLETT	256.30	53	8.87	470.35	670	0.20	135.09	861.74
CRYSTAL LAKE	25,200.00							25,200.00
GALLOWAY DRAIN	43.83	3	44.17	132.51	235	0.40	93.96	270.30
GALLOWAY LAKE FARMS	86.03	2	44.75	89.49	22	3.69	81.27	256.79
JOSEPHINE	880.28				57	2.10	119.72	1,000.00
PONTIAC CREEK EXT DRAIN	1,645.88	29	63.10	1829.76	70	3.09	216.3	3,691.94
SINKING BRIDGE DRAIN	133.25	72	4.92	354.38	2376	0.12	280.53	768.16
SKAE DRAIN	375.00	5	42.60	212.99				587.99
SYLVAN-OTTER LAKE LEVEL	7,560.00	26	17.36	451.32	347	0.04	13.88	8,025.20
TILDEN DRAIN	596.73	14	8.78	122.91	284	2.82	799.88	1,519.52
TURTLE DRAIN					5	1.99	6.99	6.99
WARD ORCHARD DRAIN	50.00	7	30.50	213.5	2	2.53	5.06	268.56
WATERFORD - MULTI LAKE LEVEL					11	36.59	402.49	402.49
WEST END DRAIN	4,903.75	43	35.58	1529.94	1622	1.76	2856.89	9,290.58
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MEMORANDUM

City of Pontiac Finance Director Nevrus P. Nazarko, CPA 47450 Woodward Avenue Pontiac, Michigan 48342 Phone: 248.758.3118

Fax: 248.758.3197

DATE:

September 25, 2017

TO:

Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM:

Nevrus P. Nazarko, CPA, Finance Director

Through:

Jane Bais DiSessa-Deputy Mayor

SUBJECT:

JAG agreement with OCSO

We have been notified by Oakland County that the City of Pontiac is designated by the DOJ as a disparate jurisdiction with Oakland County for the FY2017 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG). This means that Pontiac's allocation is in excess of 150% of the county's allocation and as a result Oakland County will act as the fiduciary for this year's grant. The City of Pontiac has an allocation of \$96,664 for October 1, 2016 – September 30, 2020. 2014 was the last time Pontiac was designated as a disparate jurisdiction.

Attached to this memo and resolution is the sub-recipient agreement drafted by Oakland County's Corporation Counsel to be signed by Pontiac if the City Council approves it. This year there are two additional certifications that will also need to be signed by the City; One from the City attorney and the other from the Mayor

I have talked to city attorney, John Clark, and he has signed the certification required from the legal department.

At this time, we are seeking formal approval from the City Council to formally approve the sub-recipient agreement for the administration of the grant. If Council agrees, please pass the following resolution:

Whereas, the City of Pontiac is eligible to receive the Edward Byrnes Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) in the amount of \$96.664; and,

Whereas, the City of Pontiac desires to accept the grant and have Oakland County submit a joint application for the aggregate JAG funds that may be available in the FY 2017; and,

Therefore, be it resolved that the Pontiac City Council approves the Intergovernmental Agreement between the County of Oakland and the City of Pontiac as presented and authorizes the Mayor to sign the document as presented.

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Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) # 16.738

Program: Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program

Federal Awarding Agency: U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance

Application Number: 2017-H2553-MI-DJ

Fiscal Year 2017 Subrecipient Agreement between the County of Oakland and the City of Pontiac Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) #:831471144

This Subrecipient Agreement (this "Agreement") is made between the Governmental Entities, Constitutional and Municipal Corporations in the State of Michigan, whose names are listed in Exhibit A.

In consideration of the mutual promises, obligations, representations and assurances in this Agreement, the Parties agree as follows:

1. Purpose of Agreement

The Parties to this Agreement, the County of Oakland and the City of Pontiac, are Governmental Entities. They have been, are, or may be certified as disparate by the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program. As required by BJA, the Parties enter into this Agreement to acknowledge their intention to submit a joint application for the aggregate JAG Program funds that may be available to them in FY 2017.

2. Additional Background and Naming Conventions

- 2.1. Pursuant to an intergovernmental law enforcement services agreement, Oakland County (County), through its Sheriff's Department, provides law enforcement services for the City of Pontiac (Pontiac). The intergovernmental law enforcement services agreement sets forth the duties of the County and Pontiac and the fees Pontiac shall pay for such services.
- 2.2. In addition, by this Agreement, Pontiac authorizes, and the County agrees to assume responsibility for making application for the JAG grant on behalf of Pontiac. The County shall be solely responsible for identifying how JAG grant funds allocated to Pontiac should be used for Pontiac law enforcement purposes and complying with grant reporting and other requirements. Oakland County, through its Sheriff's Department, assumes responsibility for accepting and using JAG grant funds on behalf of the City of Pontiac.
- 2.3. In this Agreement, reference to a "Party" is reference to each and every Governmental Entity identified in Exhibit A. A reference to "Parties" is a reference to all the Governmental Entities listed in Exhibit A. Use of a Governmental Entity's proper name shall mean that Governmental Entity specifically. Use of the term "Pontiac Delegee" shall mean the County of

Oakland, acting on behalf of the City of Pontiac, for purposes of this Agreement.

3. **Definitions**

- 3.1. **Agreement** means the terms and conditions of this Agreement, any Exhibits to this Agreement, and any other mutually agreed upon written modification, amendment, or addendum signed by the Parties to this Agreement.
- 3.2. Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program means the Grant program of the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance, by which Federal funds are made available to support all components of the criminal justice system, including any one or more of the following:
 - Law enforcement programs, prosecution and court programs
 - Prevention and education programs
 - Corrections and community correction programs
 - Drug treatment and enforcement programs
 - Planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs
 - Crime victim and witness programs (other than compensation)
 - Mental health programs and related law enforcement and corrections programs, including behavioral programs and crisis intervention teams
- 3.3. **The Grant** or **Grant** means the funds awarded to the Governmental Entities pursuant to BJA Grant Application number 2017-H2553-MI-DJ submitted to the Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program by the County of Oakland on behalf of itself and the Governmental Entities identified in Exhibit A.

3.4. Disparate Certification

For the purposes of this Agreement, a disparate allocation occurs when both a county and a municipality within that county qualify for a direct award, but the award amount for the municipality exceeds 150 percent of the county's award amount. As used in this Agreement, "certified as disparate" means that the Parties to this Agreement fit the criteria described in this section.

- 3.5. Claim means any alleged loss, claim, complaint, demand for relief or damages, cause of action, proceeding, judgment, deficiency, liability, penalty, fine, litigation, costs, and/or expenses, including, but not limited to, reimbursement for attorney fees, witness fees, court costs, investigation expenses, litigation expenses, and amounts paid in settlement, which are imposed on, incurred by, or asserted against the Fiscal Agent or Governmental Entity, as defined herein, whether such claim is brought in law, equity, tort, contract, or otherwise.
- 3.6. **Fiscal Agent** means the County of Oakland, a constitutional Corporation more fully described below.

- 3.7. County of Oakland ("County") includes any and all departments, divisions, commissioners, elected and appointed officials, boards, councils, directors, board members, council members, authorities, committees, employees, agents, subcontractors, volunteers and/or any such persons' successors("Agents").
- 3.8. City of Pontiac ("Pontiac") includes any and all departments, divisions, commissioners, elected and appointed officials, boards, councils, directors, board members, council members, authorities, committees, employees, agents, subcontractors, volunteers and/or any such persons' successors ("Agents"), and includes an emergency manager, if any.
- 3.9. Pontiac Delegee means the County of Oakland ("County"), through its Sheriff's Office, which has agreed to provide law enforcement services for the City of Pontiac (Pontiac) pursuant to an intergovernmental law enforcement services agreement which sets forth the duties of Pontiac and the County and the fees Pontiac shall pay for such services. The Pontiac Delegee is authorized by this Agreement to apply for, accept, and administer JAG grant funds on behalf of Pontiac. All decisions regarding the identification of law enforcement needs for the purposes of making JAG grant application shall be made exclusively by the Pontiac Delegee.

4. Exhibits

- 4.1 **Exhibit A:** Governmental Entities Certified as Disparate by the Bureau of Justice Assistance for Purposes of Applying for Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Funds
- 4.2 Exhibit B: Grant Fund Allocations.
- 4.3 **Exhibit C**: Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program FY 2017 Local Solicitation.

5. Terms

- 5.1. **Pontiac Delegee Authorization.** The Pontiac Delegee is authorized by this Agreement to apply for, accept, and administer JAG grant funds on behalf of Pontiac. All decisions regarding the identification of law enforcement needs for the purposes of making JAG grant application shall be made exclusively by the Pontiac Delegee.
- 5.2. Grant Compliance. The County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) and Pontiac agree that any and all funds granted to them pursuant to the joint Grant application to the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program shall be used by them only as described in the Grant application, only according to the provisions in the Grant agreement and its amendments, if any, in accordance with all Federal statutes and regulations applicable to the Grant, in accordance with the Office of

Management and Budget (OMB) Guidance in 2 C.F.R. Part 200 (the "Part 200 Uniform Requirements"), as adopted and implemented by the Department of Justice ("DOJ") in 2 C.F.R. Part 2800, in accordance with the DOJ Grants Financial Guide, in accordance with the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program FY 2017 Local Solicitation (Exhibit C), and only in a manner that will serve the purposes defined in the Grant.

The County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) and Pontiac must, as set out at 2 C.F.R. 200.303:

- (a) Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) and Pontiac are managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should be in compliance with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO);
- (b) Comply with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal awards;
- (c) Evaluate and monitor compliance with statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of Federal awards;
- (d) Take prompt action when instances of noncompliance are identified including noncompliance identified in audit findings;
- (e) Take reasonable measures to safeguard protected personally identifiable information and other information the Federal awarding agency, the County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee), or Pontiac considers sensitive consistent with applicable Federal, State, local, and tribal laws regarding privacy and obligations of confidentiality.
- 5.3. **Grant Assurances, Certifications and Audit Requirements**. The County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) and Pontiac agree that each of them will comply with any and all standard assurances set forth in the grant application and grant contract; will conform their behavior to the requirements set forth in the relevant United States Office of Management and Budget (OMB) circulars, the federal statutes and regulations identified in the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program FY 2017 Local Solicitation (Exhibit C), the grant application and grant contract, and will remain in compliance with the Federal requirements regarding lobbying, debarment, responsibility, drug free environment, and non-discrimination; and, will conduct such audits as may be required by the grant application, contract and award of grant funds.

The Chief Legal Officer of Pontiac shall sign the "State or Local Government: FY 2017 Certification of Compliance with 8 U.S.C. § 1373" on behalf of Pontiac,

which is attached to this Agreement as Appendix II to Exhibit C. The Chief Executive of Pontiac shall sign the "Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government" on behalf of Pontiac, which is attached to this Agreement as Appendix I to Exhibit C.

- 5.4. **Subrecipient Agreement Requirement.** The County and Pontiac acknowledge that in order to be eligible for the JAG funds, the Federal Government requires them to enter into this Agreement setting forth their obligations regarding the management and oversight of Grant funds.
- 5.5. Subrecipient Agreement Compliance. The County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) and Pontiac agree to abide by the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement relating to any and all aspects of the Grant and management of Grant funds, including but not limited to: receipt of Grant funds; use of Grant funds; reporting on the use of Grant funds and the effectiveness of Grant funds in achieving the purposes for which they were granted. The County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) and Pontiac shall comply with all other requirements established now, or in the future, by the BJA and as may be required by the BJA or the Fiscal Agent to achieve the smooth and efficient administration of the Grant, including, but not limited to, the timely filing of reports as required by the BJA and management of property and assets acquired with Grant funds.
- 5.6. Allocation and Obligation of Grant Funds. Any funds granted to the Parties by the Department of Justice under the JAG Grant shall be allocated and expended only as prescribed and permitted by the JAG Grant. Funds allocated for Pontiac and administered by the Pontiac Delegee shall be directed to and used for law enforcement goals and objectives within Pontiac. For the grant period October 1, 2016 September 30, 2020, the total Federal Grant obligation and allocation for Pontiac and administered by the Pontiac Delegee is ninety-six thousand, six hundred sixty-four dollars (\$96,664.00). The sum obligated and allocated to each Party is set forth in Exhibit B which is fully incorporated here by reference. The sum allocated for each Party may be expended over the four (4) year grant period which extends through 2020. Any interest earned on funds shall inure to the benefit of the County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee).
- 5.7. **Dispersal of Grant Funds.** The County agrees to act as Fiscal Agent for any funds granted to the County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) pursuant to their joint Grant application, including initial acceptance of funds from the BJA and the dispersal of Grant funds up to the amounts established by BJA. The County will not charge an administrative fee for acting as Fiscal Agent pursuant to this Agreement.

5.8. Reporting Obligations.

a. The County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee)

- shall be fully responsible for timely completing any and all compliance reports required by BJA or timely providing information, in the agreed-upon format, necessary to complete any and all BJA compliance reports that are or may be required under the Grant.
- b. The County, when acting as Fiscal Agent, agrees that, provided it has received the required reporting information, it shall be responsible for submitting to BJA any and all reports and information that may be required in order to fulfill the conditions of the Grant in a timely manner that fully comports with the requirements of the Grant. The County will produce reports on the individual and collective expenditure of Grant funds and remaining balance at least annually.
- c. The County, acting as Fiscal Agent, shall notify Pontiac, at the end of the County's fiscal year, of the dollar amount of Grant Program funds released to or for the benefit of Pontiac for that fiscal year. This amount shall include the dollar amount for equipment purchased with Grant Program funds by the County on behalf of Pontiac.
- d. Pontiac shall comply with 2 CFR Part 200.501 Audit Requirements.
- e. Pontiac shall acquire registration with the System for Award Management (SAM). SAM is the repository for standard information about federal financial assistance applicants, recipients, and subrecipients. The Office of Justice Program (OJP) requires that all applicants (other than individuals) for federal financial assistance maintain current registrations in the SAM database. Applicants must update or renew their SAM registration annually to maintain an active status. Information about SAM registration procedures can be accessed at www.sam.gov.
- 5.9. Communication. The County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) agrees, upon request, to provide summary information on its compliance with Grant requirements to Pontiac and to provide other information that may be required to ensure that the County, as original recipient of the Grant funds, is able to perform all tasks and activities necessary to satisfy its obligations as Fiscal Agent under the Grant.

5.10. Equipment and Property Acquisition.

- 5.10.1 If Grant funds are provided to the County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) to purchase equipment or property, the County shall be responsible for procuring and paying for the equipment according to the County's procurement policies or as otherwise required by the Grant agreement.
- 5.10.2 If the County is acting on its own behalf, it shall accept title to the equipment at delivery. If the County is acting as Pontiac Delegee, the County shall accept and retain title to the equipment for as long as the County is providing law enforcement services for Pontiac.

- 5.10.3 The County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) shall be responsible for creating, maintaining and updating a list/inventory of all equipment purchased with Grant funds, beginning on the date on which title to the property is transferred to the County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) and ending three (3) years after the Grant has expired.
- 5.11. Hiring Employees. The County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) shall complete such reporting requirements regarding hiring as may be set forth in the grant agreement that will be executed by the County and is the subject of this Agreement. The County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) agrees to provide, as required by the Grant agreement, salary certifications and any other detail that may be required for each and every position.
- 5.12. **Research and Development.** No JAG funds will be used for Research and Development.
- 5.13. **Indirect Costs**. No indirect costs shall be charged or reimbursed under performance of this Agreement.
- 5.14. **Methods for collection, transmission and storage of information**. Pontiac should, whenever practicable, collect, transmit, and store Federal award-related information in open and machine readable formats rather than in closed formats or on paper in accordance with 2 CFR 200.335 Methods for collection, transmission and storage of information.
- 5.15. **Retention Requirements for Records.** Financial records, supporting documents, statistical records, and all other records of Pontiac pertinent to this Agreement must be retained for a period of three years from the date of submission of the final expenditure report. If any litigation, claim, or audit is started before the expiration of the 3-year period, the records must be retained until all litigation, claims, or audit findings involving the records have been resolved and final action taken.
- 5.16. Access to Records. The Federal awarding agency, Inspectors General, the Comptroller General of the United States, and the County, or any of their authorized representatives, shall have the right of access to any documents, papers, or other records of Pontiac which are pertinent to this Agreement or the Grant, in order to make audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcripts. The right also includes timely and reasonable access to Pontiac's personnel for the purpose of interview and discussion related to such documents. The right of access to Pontiac's records is not limited to the required retention period but last as long as the records are retained.

Pontiac shall permit the County and auditors to have access to Pontiac's records

- and financial statements as necessary for the Grantee to complete program monitoring and to meet the requirements in 2 CFR 200.331, 200.300 200.309, and Subpart F of 2 CFR Part 200.
- 5.17. Remedies for Noncompliance. If Pontiac fails to comply with federal statutes, regulations or the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the County may impose additional conditions, as described in 2 CFR §200.207 Specific Conditions. If the County determines that noncompliance cannot be remedied by imposing additional conditions, the County may take one or more of the following actions, as appropriate in the circumstances:
 - (a) disallow (that is, deny both use of funds and any applicable matching credit for) all or part of the cost of the activity or action not in compliance;
 - (b) wholly or partly suspend or terminate the Agreement;
 - (c) recommend that the Federal awarding agency initiate suspension or debarment proceedings as authorized under 2 CFR Part 180 and Federal awarding agency regulations;
 - (d) withhold further funds for the project or program;
 - (e) take other remedies that may be legally available.
- 5.18. Closeout. The County shall close-out this Agreement when it determines that all applicable administrative actions and all required work under this Agreement have been completed by Pontiac. Pontiac shall comply with the closeout provisions of 2 C.F.R. 200.343 (Closeout).
- 5.19. **Duration**. Unless terminated according to the provisions of Sections 5.13 or 5.14 or extended by a signed Amendment to this Agreement, this Agreement shall expire by its own terms at 11:59:59 on September 30, 2020.
- 5.20. Office of the Great Seal. The County will file a copy of this Agreement with the Clerk of the County of Oakland and the Office of the Great Seal of the State of Michigan, as required by MCL 124.510, after it has been approved pursuant to resolution of the authorized legislative body of the County and Pontiac and signed by its authorized representative. Authorization may also be granted by the signature of an emergency manager, if any,
- 5.21. Termination for Convenience.
 - a. The County, acting on its own behalf, may terminate this Agreement on 30 days written notice provided it fully and completely withdraws from participation in the BJA Grant. Termination does not release the County from complying with the terms and conditions of the Grant until the date of termination or for any other period specifically required by BJA.
 - b. Termination of this Agreement does not release the County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) or Pontiac from any obligations they may have to the Grantor under the Grant application or Grant agreement or as otherwise required by the BJA.

5.22. Assumption of Liability. A Party who is non-compliant with the Grant requirements assumes sole risk and liability for its non-compliance including liability for any penalties that may be imposed by the BJA or other department or agency of the Federal Government because of its alleged non-compliance. A non-compliant Party agrees that it will refrain from any actions to shift or assign liability or responsibility for its non-compliance onto other Parties to this Agreement.

The County shall not be responsible or liable to Pontiac if any of the JAG funds obligated or allocated to Pontiac, as provided in this Agreement, are not awarded, are disallowed, are ineligible, or are required to be refunded or returned to the BJA, for any reason. Any ineligible Grant obligations or disallowed costs incurred by Pontiac shall be the sole responsibility of Pontiac.

- 5.23. **Non-Supplanting**. The County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) and Pontiac, by entering into this Agreement, warrant and represent that the funds for which the County will apply on their behalf will not supplant or replace other state or local funding allocated to cover the identified services.
- 5.24. Other Grant Warranties. The County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) and Pontiac warrant and certify that they are in compliance with the warranties and certifications required in the Grant application. Pontiac authorizes the County to make such warranties and certifications on its behalf. The County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) and Pontiac will fully comply with the warranties and certifications throughout the term of the Grant and this Agreement. Notwithstanding the above, Pontiac and its Chief Legal Officer are solely responsible for certifying and warranting that Pontiac will comply with 8 U.S.C. § 1373.
- 5.25. **No Employee-Employer Relationship**. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as creating an employer-employee relationship between any Party (including any of its Agents or delegees) and any other Party (including any of its Agents or delegees).
- 5.26. **No Indemnification**. The County, on its own behalf, shall be responsible for its own acts and/or omissions and the acts and/or omissions of its Agents. Indemnification between Pontiac and the County is as set forth in the law enforcement services agreement between them. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as creating an obligation to indemnify or defend any other Party or Parties for any Claim, damage or liability arising out of or stemming from any act or action of a Party or delegee.
- 5.27. **No Third Party Beneficiaries**. Except as provided for the benefit of the County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) and Pontiac, this Agreement does not and is not intended to create any obligation, duty, promise,

- contractual right or benefit, right to indemnification, right to subrogation and/or any other right in favor of any other person or entity.
- 5.28. Reservation of Rights. This Agreement does not, and is not intended to impair, divest, delegate, or contravene any constitutional, statutory, and/or other legal right, privilege, power, obligation, duty or immunity of the County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) and Pontiac. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of governmental immunity.
- 5.29. **Agreement Modifications or Amendments.** Any modifications, amendments, rescissions, waivers, or releases to this Agreement must be in writing and signed by the County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) and Pontiac.
- 5.30. No Implied Waiver. Absent a written waiver, no act, failure, or delay to pursue or enforce any rights or remedies under this Agreement shall constitute a waiver of those rights with regard to any existing or subsequent breach of this Agreement. No waiver of any term, condition, or provision of this Agreement, whether by conduct or otherwise, in one or more instances, shall be deemed or construed as a continuing waiver of any term, condition, or provision of this Agreement. No wavier by any Party shall subsequently affect its right to require strict performance of this Agreement.
- 5.31. **Severability**. If a court of competent jurisdiction finds a term or condition of this Agreement to be illegal or invalid, then the term or condition shall be deemed severed from this Agreement. All other terms, conditions, and provisions of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.
- 5.32. **Discrimination**. The County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) and Pontiac shall not discriminate against their employees, agents, applicants for employment, or another person or entities with respect to hire, tenure, terms, conditions, and privileges of employment, or any matter directly or indirectly related to employment in violation of any federal, state or local law.
- 5.33. **Permits and Licenses**. The County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) and Pontiac shall be responsible for obtaining and maintaining, throughout the term of this Agreement, all licenses, permits, certificates, and governmental authorizations necessary to carry out its obligations and duties pursuant to this Agreement.
- 5.34. **Delegation/Subcontract/Assignment**. The County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) and Pontiac shall not delegate, subcontract, and/or assign any obligations or rights under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the BJA Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program and notice of such consent to the County acting as Fiscal Agent.

- 5.35. Survival of Terms. The following sections shall survive termination of this Agreement: Grant Compliance; Reporting Obligations; Retention Requirements for Records; Access to Records; Reservation of Rights; Governing Law; Severability; No Indemnification; Equipment and Property Acquisition; Closeout; and Survival of Terms.
- 5.36. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which shall constitute but one and the same instrument.
- 5.37. **Knowledge of Terms and Conditions.** The County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) and Pontiac have fully reviewed the terms, conditions and requirements of the Grant and this Agreement and accept that the obligations set forth in those terms, conditions and requirements apply fully and completely to them regardless of the amount of each individual Grant or percentage of the full dollar amount granted by BJA. The County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) and Pontiac each acknowledges its obligation to fulfill those conditions, requirements, and obligations in order to comply with Grant requirements.
- 5.38. Notice. Notices given under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be personally delivered, sent by express delivery service, certified mail, or first class U.S. mail, postage prepaid and addressed to the contact persons listed in Exhibit A. Notice will be deemed given on the date when one of the following first occurs: 1) the date of actual receipt; 2) the next business day when notice is sent express delivery service or personal delivery; or 3) three days after mailing first class or certified U.S. mail. A Party may change the contact person by notifying the other Party in writing.
- 5.39. **Governing Law**. This Agreement shall be governed, interpreted, and enforced by the laws of the State of Michigan, without regard to Michigan's conflict of laws provisions.
- 5.40. The County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) and Pontiac have taken all actions and secured all approvals necessary to authorize and complete this Agreement. The persons signing this Agreement on behalf of The County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) and Pontiac have legal authority to sign this Agreement and bind the Parties to the terms and conditions it contains.
- 5.41. **Entire Agreement.** This Agreement represents the entire Agreement between the Parties for JAG grant applications for fiscal year 2017 and supersedes all other Agreements between The County (either on its own behalf or in its capacity as Pontiac Delegee) and Pontiac governing the matters described here, limited to JAG Grant Application Number 2017-H2553-MI-DJ, for fiscal year 2017. The

language of this Agreement shall be construed as a whole according to its fair meaning, and not construed strictly for or against any Party.

In consideration of the mutual promises, obligations, representations, and assurances in this Agreement, pursuant to the requirements of the Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program that, in order to make application for Grant funds that may be available, the Parties enter into this Agreement.

For the City of Pontiac	
(print name)	
For the County of Oakland:	
(print name)	

Exhibit A

List of Governmental Entities Certified as Disparate by the Bureau of Justice Assistance for Purposes of Applying for Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Funds

State Jurisdiction Name

MI OAKLAND COUNTY

MI PONTIAC CITY

Exhibit B Grant Fund Allocations

Jurisdiction Name	Allocation
OAKLAND COUNTY	\$52,994
PONTIAC CITY	<u>\$96,664</u>
TOTAL	\$149,658

Exhibit C

Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program FY 2017 Local Solicitation

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U.S. Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs *Bureau of Justice Assistance*



The <u>U.S. Department of Justice</u> (DOJ), <u>Office of Justice Programs</u> (OJP), <u>Bureau of Justice Assistance</u> (BJA) is seeking applications for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program. This program furthers the Department's mission by assisting State, local, and tribal efforts to prevent or reduce crime and violence.

Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program FY 2017 Local Solicitation Applications Due: September 5, 2017

Eligibility

Only units of local government may apply under this solicitation. By law, for purposes of the JAG Program, the term "units of local government" includes a town, township, village, parish, city, county, borough, or other general purpose political subdivision of a state; or, it may also be a federally recognized Indian tribal government that performs law enforcement functions (as determined by the Secretary of the Interior). A unit of local government may be any law enforcement district or judicial enforcement district established under applicable State law with authority to independently establish a budget and impose taxes; for example, in Louisiana, a unit of local government means a district attorney or parish sheriff.

A JAG application is not complete, and a unit of local government may not receive award funds, unless the chief executive of the applicant unit of local government (e.g., a mayor) properly executes, and the unit of local government submits, the "Certifications and Assurances by Chief Executive of Applicant Government" attached to this solicitation as Appendix I.

In addition, as discussed further <u>below</u>, in order validly to accept a Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 JAG award, the chief legal officer of the applicant unit of local government must properly execute, and the unit of local government must submit, the specific certification regarding compliance with 8 U.S.C. § 1373 attached to this solicitation as <u>Appendix II</u>. (Note: this requirement does not apply to Indian tribal governments.) (The text of 8 U.S.C. § 1373 appears in <u>Appendix II</u>.)

Eligible allocations under JAG are posted annually on the JAG web page under "Funding."

Deadline

Applicants must register in the <u>OJP Grants Management System (GMS)</u> prior to submitting an application under this solicitation. All applicants must register, even those that previously registered in GMS. Select the "Apply Online" button associated with the solicitation title. All registrations and applications are due by 5 p.m. eastern time on September 5, 2017.

This deadline does **not** apply to the certification regarding compliance with 8 U.S.C. § 1373. As explained <u>below</u>, a unit of local government (other than an Indian tribal government) may not validly accept an award unless that certification is submitted to the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) on or before the day the unit of local government submits the signed award acceptance documents.

For additional information, see <u>How to Apply</u> in <u>Section D. Application and Submission</u> Information.

Contact Information

For technical assistance with submitting an application, contact the Grants Management System (GMS) Support Hotline at 888–549–9901, option 3, or via email at GMS.HelpDesk@usdoj.gov. The GMS Support Hotline operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, including on federal holidays.

An applicant that experiences unforeseen GMS technical issues beyond its control that prevent it from submitting its application by the deadline must email the National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS) Response Center at grants@ncjrs.gov within 24 hours after the application deadline in order to request approval to submit its application. Additional information on reporting technical issues appears under "Experiencing Unforeseen GMS Technical Issues" in How to Apply in Section D. Application and Submission Information.

For assistance with any other requirement of this solicitation, applicants may contact the NCJRS Response Center by telephone at 1–800–851–3420; via TTY at 301–240–6310 (hearing impaired only); by email at grants@ncjrs.gov; by fax to 301–240–5830, or by web chat at https://webcontact.ncjrs.gov/ncjchat/chat.jsp. The NCJRS Response Center hours of operation are 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. eastern time, Monday through Friday, and 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. eastern time on the solicitation close date. Applicants also may contact the appropriate BJA State Policy Advisor.

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Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program FY 2017 Local Solicitation CFDA #16.738

A. Program Description

Overview

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program is the primary provider of federal criminal justice funding to States and units of local government. BJA will award JAG Program funds to eligible units of local government under this FY 2017 JAG Program Local Solicitation. (A separate solicitation will be issued for applications to BJA directly from States.)

Statutory Authority: The JAG Program statute is Subpart I of Part E of Title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968. Title I of the "Omnibus Act" generally is codified at Chapter 26 of Title 42 of the United States Code; the JAG Program statute is codified at 42 U.S.C. §§ 3750-3758. See also 28 U.S.C. § 530C(a).

Program-Specific Information

Permissible uses of JAG Funds – In general

In general, JAG funds awarded to a unit of local government under this FY 2017 solicitation may be used to provide additional personnel, equipment, supplies, contractual support, training, technical assistance, and information systems for criminal justice, including for any one or more of the following:

- Law enforcement programs
- Prosecution and court programs
- Prevention and education programs
- Corrections and community corrections programs
- Drug treatment and enforcement programs
- Planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs
- Crime victim and witness programs (other than compensation)
- Mental health programs and related law enforcement and corrections programs, including behavioral programs and crisis intervention teams

Under the JAG Program, units of local government may use award funds for broadband deployment and adoption activities as they relate to criminal justice activities.

Limitations on the use of JAG funds

Prohibited and controlled uses of funds – JAG funds may not be used (whether directly or indirectly) for any purpose prohibited by federal statute or regulation, including those purposes specifically prohibited by the JAG Program statute as set out at 42 U.S.C. § 3751(d):

- (1) Any security enhancements or any equipment to any nongovernmental entity that is not engaged in criminal justice or public safety.
- (2) Unless the Attorney General certifies that extraordinary and exigent circumstances exist that make the use of such funds to provide such matters essential to the maintenance of public safety and good order—
 - (a) Vehicles (excluding police cruisers), vessels (excluding police boats), or aircraft (excluding police helicopters)
 - (b) Luxury items
 - (c) Real estate
 - (d) Construction projects (other than penal or correctional institutions)
 - (e) Any similar matters

For additional information on expenditures prohibited under JAG, as well as expenditures that are permitted but "controlled," along with the process for requesting approval regarding controlled items, refer to the <u>JAG Prohibited and Controlled Expenditures Guidance</u>. Information also appears in the JAG FAQs.

Cap on use of JAG award funds for administrative costs – A unit of local government may use up to 10 percent of a JAG award, including up to 10 percent of any earned interest, for costs associated with administering the award.

Prohibition of supplanting; no use of JAG funds as "match" – JAG funds may not be used to supplant State or local funds but must be used to increase the amounts of such funds that would, in the absence of federal funds, be made available for law enforcement activities. See the <u>JAG FAQs</u> on BJA's JAG web page for examples of supplanting.

Although supplanting is prohibited, as discussed under "What An Application Should Include," the leveraging of federal funding is encouraged.

Absent specific federal statutory authority to do so, JAG award funds may not be used as "match" for the purposes of other federal awards.

Other restrictions on use of funds – If a unit of local government chooses to use its FY 2017 JAG funds for particular, defined types of expenditures, it must satisfy certain preconditions:

Body-Worn Cameras (BWC)

A unit of local government that proposes to use FY 2017 JAG award funds to purchase BWC equipment or to implement or enhance BWC programs, must provide to OJP a certification(s) that the unit of local government has policies and procedures in place related to BWC equipment usage, data storage and access, privacy considerations, training, etc. The certification can be found at: https://www.bja.gov/Funding/BodyWornCameraCert.pdf,

A unit of local government that proposes to use JAG funds for BWC-related expenses will have funds withheld until the required certification is submitted and approved by OJP.

The BJA <u>BWC Toolkit</u> provides model BWC policies and best practices to assist departments in implementing BWC programs.

Apart from the JAG Program, BJA provides funds under the Body-Worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program (BWC Program). The BWC Program allows jurisdictions to develop and implement policies and practices required for effective program adoption and address program factors including the purchase, deployment, and maintenance of camera systems and equipment; data storage and access; and privacy considerations. Interested units of local government may wish to refer to the BWC web page for more information. Units of local government should note, however, that JAG funds may not be used as any part of the 50 percent match required by the BWC Program.

Body Armor

Ballistic-resistant and stab-resistant body armor can be funded through the JAG Program, as well as through BJA's Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) Program. The BVP Program is designed to provide a critical resource to local law enforcement through the purchase of ballistic-resistant and stab-resistant body armor. For more information on the BVP Program, including eligibility and application, refer to the BVP web page. Units of local government should note, however, that JAG funds may not be used as any part of the 50 percent match required by the BVP Program.

Body armor purchased with JAG funds may be purchased at any threat level, make, or model from any distributor or manufacturer, as long as the body armor has been tested and found to comply with the latest applicable National Institute of Justice (NIJ) ballistic or stab standards. In addition, body armor purchased must be made in the United States.

As is the case in the BVP Program, units of local government that propose to purchase body armor with JAG funds must certify that law enforcement agencies receiving body armor have a written "mandatory wear" policy in effect. FAQs related to the mandatory wear policy and certifications can be found at:

https://www.bja.gov/Funding/JAGFAQ.pdf. This policy must be in place for at least all uniformed officers before any FY 2017 funding can be used by the unit of local government for body armor. There are no requirements regarding the nature of the policy other than it being a mandatory wear policy for all uniformed officers while on duty. The certification must be signed by the Authorized Representative and must be attached to the application if proposed as part of the application. If the unit of local government proposes to change project activities to utilize JAG funds to purchase body armor after the award is accepted, the unit of local government must submit the signed certification to BJA at that time. A mandatory wear concept and issues paper and a model policy are available by contacting the BVP Customer Support Center at vests@usdoj.gov or toll free at 1–877–758–3787. The certification form related to mandatory wear can be found at:

www.bja.gov/Funding/BodyArmorMandatoryWearCert.pdf.

DNA Testing of Evidentiary Materials and Upload of DNA Profiles to a Database

If JAG Program funds will be used for DNA testing of evidentiary materials, any resulting **eligible** DNA profiles must be uploaded to the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS, the national DNA database operated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI]) by a government DNA lab with access to CODIS. No profiles generated with JAG funding may be entered into any other non-governmental DNA database without prior express written approval from BJA.

In addition, funds may not be used for purchase of DNA equipment and supplies when the resulting DNA profiles from such technology are not accepted for entry into CODIS.

Interoperable Communication

Units of local government (including subrecipients) that use FY 2017 JAG funds to support emergency communications activities (including the purchase of interoperable communications equipment and technologies such as voice-over-internet protocol bridging or gateway devices, or equipment to support the build out of wireless broadband networks in the 700 MHz public safety band under the Federal Communications Commission [FCC] Waiver Order) should review FY 2017 SAFECOM Guidance. The SAFECOM Guidance is updated annually to provide current information on emergency communications policies, eligible costs, best practices, and technical standards for State, local, tribal, and territorial grantees investing federal funds in emergency communications projects. Additionally, emergency communications projects should support the Statewide Communication Interoperability Plan (SCIP) and be coordinated with the fulltime Statewide Interoperability Coordinator (SWIC) in the State of the project. As the central coordination point for their State's interoperability effort, the SWIC plays a critical role, and can serve as a valuable resource. SWICs are responsible for the implementation of SCIP through coordination and collaboration with the emergency response community. The U.S. Department of Homeland Security Office of Emergency Communications maintains a list of SWICs for each of the States and territories. Contact OEC@hq.dhs.gov. All communications equipment purchased with FY 2017 JAG Program funding should be identified during quarterly performance metrics reporting.

In order to promote information sharing and enable interoperability among disparate systems across the justice and public safety communities, OJP requires the recipient to comply with DOJ's Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative guidelines and recommendations for this particular grant. Recipients must conform to the Global Standards Package (GSP) and all constituent elements, where applicable, as described at: https://www.it.ojp.gov/gsp_grantcondition. Recipients must document planned approaches to information sharing and describe compliance to GSP and an appropriate privacy policy that protects shared information, or provide detailed justification for why an alternative approach is recommended.

Required compliance with applicable federal laws

By law, the chief executive (e.g., the mayor) of each unit of local government that applies for an FY 2017 JAG award must certify that the unit of local government will "comply with all provisions of [the JAG program statute] and all other applicable Federal laws." To satisfy this requirement, each unit of local government applicant must submit two properly executed certifications using the forms shown in Appendix I and Appendix II.

All applicants should understand that OJP awards, including certifications provided in connection with such awards, are subject to review by DOJ, including by OJP and by the DOJ

Office of the Inspector General. Applicants also should understand that a materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement (or concealment or omission of a material fact) in a certification submitted to OJP in support of an application may be the subject of criminal prosecution, and also may result in civil penalties and administrative remedies for false claims or otherwise. Administrative remedies that may be available to OJP with respect to an FY 2017 award include suspension or termination of the award, placement on the DOJ high risk grantee list, disallowance of costs, and suspension or debarment of the recipient.

BJA areas of emphasis

BJA recognizes that there are significant pressures on local criminal justice systems. In these challenging times, shared priorities and leveraged resources can make a significant impact. As a component of OJP, BJA intends to focus much of its work on the areas of emphasis described below, and encourages each unit of local government recipient of an FY 2017 JAG award to join us in addressing these challenges:

- Reducing Gun Violence Gun violence has touched nearly every State and local
 government in America. While our nation has made great strides in reducing violent
 crime, some municipalities and regions continue to experience unacceptable levels of
 violent crime at rates far in excess of the national average. BJA encourages units of
 local government to invest JAG funds in programs to combat gun violence, enforce
 existing firearms laws, and improve the process for ensuring that persons prohibited
 from purchasing guns are prevented from doing so by enhancing reporting to the FBI's
 National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS).
- National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) The FBI has formally announced its intentions to establish NIBRS as the law enforcement crime data reporting standard for the nation. The transition to NIBRS will provide a more complete and accurate picture of crime at the national, State, and local levels. Once this transition is complete, the FBI will no longer collect summary data and will accept data only in the NIBRS format. Also, once the transition is complete, JAG award amounts will be calculated on the basis of submitted NIBRS data. Transitioning all law enforcement agencies to NIBRS is the first step in gathering more comprehensive crime data. BJA encourages recipients of FY 2017 JAG awards to use JAG funds to expedite the transition to NIBRS.
- Officer Safety and Wellness The issue of law enforcement safety and wellness is an
 important priority for the Department of Justice. Preliminary data compiled by the
 National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund indicates that there were 135 line-ofduty law enforcement deaths in 2016—the highest level in the past 5 years and a 10
 percent increase from 2015 (123 deaths).

Firearms-related deaths continued to be the leading cause of death (64), increasing 56 percent from 2015 (41). Of particular concern is that of the 64 firearms-related deaths, 21 were as a result of ambush-style attacks representing the highest total in more than two decades. Traffic-related deaths continued to rise in 2016 with 53 officers killed, a 10 percent increase from 2015 (48 deaths). Additionally, there were 11 job-related illness deaths in 2016, mostly heart attacks.

BJA sees a vital need to focus not only on tactical officer safety concerns but also on health and wellness as they affect officer performance and safety. It is important for law enforcement to have the tactical skills necessary, and also be physically and mentally well, to perform, survive, and be resilient in the face of the demanding duties of the

profession. BJA encourages units of local government to use JAG funds to address these needs by providing training, including paying for tuition and travel expenses related to attending trainings such as <u>VALOR training</u>, as well as funding for health and wellness programs for law enforcement officers.

- Border Security The security of United States borders is critically important to the reduction and prevention of transnational drug-trafficking networks and combating all forms of human trafficking within the United States (sex and labor trafficking of foreign nationals and U.S. citizens of all sexes and ages). These smuggling operations on both sides of the border contribute to a significant increase in violent crime and U.S. deaths from dangerous drugs. Additionally, illegal immigration continues to place a significant strain on federal, State, and local resources—particularly on those agencies charged with border security and immigration enforcement—as well as the local communities into which many of the illegal immigrants are placed. BJA encourages units of local government to use JAG funds to support law enforcement hiring, training, and technology enhancement in the area of border security.
- Collaborative Prosecution BJA supports strong partnerships between prosecutors and police as a means to improve case outcomes and take violent offenders off the street. BJA strongly encourages State and local law enforcement to foster strong partnerships with prosecutors to adopt new collaborative strategies aimed at combating increases in crime, particularly violent crime. (BJA's "Smart Prosecution" Initiative is a related effort by OJP to promote partnerships between prosecutors and researchers to develop and deliver effective, data-driven, evidence-based strategies to solve chronic problems and fight crime.)

Goals, Objectives, and Deliverables

In general, the FY 2017 JAG Program is designed to provide additional personnel, equipment, supplies, contractual support, training, technical assistance, and information systems for criminal justice. The JAG Local Program is designed to assist units of local government with respect to criminal justice.

As discussed in more detail <u>below</u>, a unit of local government that receives an FY 2017 JAG award will be required to prepare various types of reports and to submit data related to performance measures and accountability. The Goals, Objectives, and Deliverables are directly related to the <u>JAG Progam accountability measures</u>.

Evidence-Based Programs or Practices

OJP strongly emphasizes the use of data and evidence in policy making and program development in criminal justice, juvenile justice, and crime victim services. OJP is committed to:

- Improving the quantity and quality of evidence OJP generates
- Integrating evidence into program, practice, and policy decisions within OJP and the field
- Improving the translation of evidence into practice

OJP considers programs and practices to be evidence-based when their effectiveness has been demonstrated by causal evidence, generally obtained through one or more outcome evaluations. Causal evidence documents a relationship between an activity or intervention (including technology) and its intended outcome, including measuring the direction and size of a change, and the extent to which a change may be attributed to the activity or intervention.

Causal evidence depends on the use of scientific methods to rule out, to the extent possible, alternative explanations for the documented change. The strength of causal evidence, based on the factors described above, will influence the degree to which OJP considers a program or practice to be evidence-based. The OJP <u>CrimeSolutions.gov</u> website is one resource that applicants may use to find information about evidence-based programs in criminal justice, juvenile justice, and crime victim services.

A useful matrix of evidence-based policing programs and strategies is available through the <u>Center for Evidence-Based Crime Policy</u> at George Mason University. BJA offers a number of program models designed to effectively implement promising and evidence-based strategies through the BJA "Smart Suite" of programs, including Smart Policing, Smart Supervision, Smart Pretrial, Smart Defense, Smart Prosecution, Smart Reentry, and others (see: https://www.bja.gov/Programs/CRPPE/smartsuite.html). BJA encourages units of local government to use JAG funds to support these "smart on crime" strategies, including effective partnerships with universities, research partners, and non-traditional criminal justice partners.

BJA Success Stories

The <u>BJA Success Stories</u> web page features projects that have demonstrated success or shown promise in reducing crime and positively impacting communities. This web page will be a valuable resource for States, localities, territories, tribes, and criminal justice professionals that seek to identify and learn about JAG and other successful BJA-funded projects linked to innovation, crime reduction, and evidence-based practices. **BJA strongly encourages the recipient to submit success stories annually (or more frequently).**

If a unit of local government has a success story it would like to submit, it may be submitted through My BJA account, using "add a Success Story" and the Success Story Submission form. Register for a My BJA account using this <u>registration</u> link.

B. Federal Award Information

BJA estimates that it will make up to 1,100 local awards totaling an estimated \$83,000,000.

Awards of at least \$25,000 are 4 years in length, and award periods will be from October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2020. Extensions beyond this period may be made on a case-by-case basis at the discretion of BJA and must be requested via GMS no less than 30 days prior to the grant end date.

Awards of less than \$25,000 are 2 years in length, and award periods will be from October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2018. Extensions of up to 2 years can be requested for these awards via GMS no less than 30 days prior to the grant end date, and will be automatically granted upon request.

All awards are subject to the availability of appropriated funds and to any modifications or additional requirements that may be imposed by statute.

Type of Award

BJA expects that any award under this solicitation will be in the form of a grant. See <u>Statutory and Regulatory Requirements</u>; <u>Award Conditions</u>, under <u>Section F. Federal Award Administration Information</u>, for a brief discussion of important statutes, regulations, and award conditions that apply to many (or in some cases, all) OJP grants.

JAG awards are based on a statutory formula as described below.

Once each fiscal year's overall JAG Program funding level is determined, BJA works with the Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) to begin a four-step grant award calculation process, which, in general, consists of:

- (1) Computing an initial JAG allocation for each State, based on its share of violent crime and population (weighted equally).
- (2) Reviewing the initial JAG allocation amount to determine if the State allocation is less than the minimum award amount defined in the JAG legislation (0.25 percent of the total). If this is the case, the State is funded at the minimum level, and the funds required for this are deducted from the overall pool of JAG funds. Each of the remaining States receive the minimum award plus an additional amount based on its share of violent crime and population.
- (3) Dividing each State's final award amount (except for the territories and District of Columbia) between the State and its units of local governments at a rate of 60 and 40 percent, respectively.
- (4) Determining unit of local government award allocations, which are based on their proportion of the State's 3-year violent crime average. If the "eligible award amount" for a particular unit of local government as determined on this basis is \$10,000 or more, then the unit of local government is eligible to apply directly to OJP (under the JAG Local solicitation) for a JAG award. If the "eligible award amount" to a particular unit of local government as determined on this basis would be less than \$10,000, however, the funds are not made available for a direct award to that particular unit of local government, but instead are added to the amount that otherwise would have been awarded to the State.

Financial Management and System of Internal Controls

Award recipients and subrecipients (including recipients or subrecipients that are pass-through entities¹) must, as described in the Part 200 Uniform Requirements² as set out at 2 C.F.R. 200.303:

- (a) Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that [the recipient (and any subrecipient)] is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should be in compliance with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).
- (b) Comply with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal awards.

¹ For purposes of this solicitation, the phrase "pass-through entity" includes any recipient or subrecipient that provides a subaward ("subgrant") to carry out part of the funded award or program.

² The "Part 200 Uniform Requirements" refers to the DOJ regulation at 2 C.F.R Part 2800, which adopts (with certain modifications) the provisions of 2 C.F.R. Part 200.

- (c) Evaluate and monitor [the recipient's (and any subrecipient's)] compliance with statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of Federal awards.
- (d) Take prompt action when instances of noncompliance are identified including noncompliance identified in audit findings.
- (e) Take reasonable measures to safeguard protected personally identifiable information and other information the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity designates as sensitive or [the recipient (or any subrecipient)] considers sensitive consistent with applicable Federal, State, local, and tribal laws regarding privacy and obligations of confidentiality.

To help ensure that applicants understand the administrative requirements and cost principles, OJP encourages prospective applicants to enroll, at no charge, in the DOJ Grants Financial Management Online Training, available here.

Budget and Financial Information

Trust Fund – Units of local government may draw down JAG funds either in advance or on a reimbursement basis. To draw down in advance, a trust fund must be established in which to deposit the funds. The trust fund may or may not be an interest-bearing account. If subrecipients draw down JAG funds in advance, they also must establish a trust fund in which to deposit funds.

Tracking and reporting regarding JAG funds used for State administrative costs – As indicated earlier, a unit of local government may use up to 10 percent of a JAG award, including up to 10 percent of any earned interest, for costs associated with administering the award. Administrative costs (when utilized) must be tracked separately; a recipient must report in separate financial status reports (SF-425) those expenditures that specifically relate to each particular JAG award during any particular reporting period.

No commingling – Both the unit of local government recipient and all subrecipients of JAG funds are prohibited from commingling funds on a program-by-program or project-by-project basis. For this purpose, use of the administrative JAG funds to perform work across all active awards in any one year is not considered comingling.

Disparate Certification – In some cases, as defined by the legislation, a disparity may exist between the funding eligibility of a county and its associated municipalities. Three different types of disparities may exist:

- The first type is a zero-county disparity. This situation exists when one or more municipalities within a county are eligible for a direct award but the county is not; yet the county is responsible for providing criminal justice services (such as prosecution and incarceration) for the municipality. In this case, the county is entitled to part of the municipality's award because it shares the cost of criminal justice operations, although it may not report crime data to the FBI. This is the most common type of disparity.
- A second type of disparity exists when both a county and a municipality within that county qualify for a direct award, but the award amount for the municipality exceeds 150 percent of the county's award amount.

• The third type of disparity occurs when a county and multiple municipalities within that county are all eligible for direct awards, but the sum of the awards for the individual municipalities exceeds 400 percent of the county's award amount.

Jurisdictions certified as disparate must identify a fiscal agent that will submit a joint application for the aggregate eligible allocation to all disparate municipalities. The joint application must determine and specify the award distribution to each unit of local government and the purposes for which the funds will be used. When beginning the JAG application process, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that identifies which jurisdiction will serve as the applicant or fiscal agent for joint funds must be completed and signed by the Authorized Representative for each participating jurisdiction. The signed MOU should be attached to the application. For a sample MOU, go to: www.bja.gov/Funding/JAGMOU.pdf.

Cost Sharing or Match Requirement

The JAG Program does not require a match.

For additional cost sharing and match information, see the DOJ Grants Financial Guide.

Pre-Agreement Costs (also known as Pre-award Costs)

Pre-agreement costs are costs incurred by the applicant prior to the start date of the period of performance of the grant award.

OJP does *not* typically approve pre-agreement costs. An applicant must request and obtain the prior written approval of OJP for any such costs. All such costs incurred prior to award and prior to approval of the costs are incurred *at the sole risk* of the applicant. (Generally, no applicant should incur project costs *before* submitting an application requesting federal funding for those costs.)

Should there be extenuating circumstances that make it appropriate for OJP to consider approving pre-agreement costs, the applicant may contact the point of contact listed on the title page of this solicitation for the requirements concerning written requests for approval. If approved in advance by OJP, award funds may be used for pre-agreement costs, consistent with the recipient's approved budget and applicable cost principles. See the section on "Costs Requiring Prior Approval" in the DOJ Grants Financial Guide for more information.

Prior Approval, Planning, and Reporting of Conference/Meeting/Training Costs\

OJP strongly encourages every applicant that proposes to use award funds for any conference, meeting-, or training-related activity (or similar event) to review carefully—before submitting an application—the OJP and DOJ policy and guidance on approval, planning, and reporting of such events, available at:

https://www.ojp.gov/financialguide/DOJ/PostawardRequirements/chapter3.10a.htm.

OJP policy and guidance (1) encourage minimization of conference, meeting, and training costs; (2) require prior written approval (which may affect project timelines) of most conference, meeting, and training costs for cooperative agreement recipients, as well as some conference, meeting, and training costs for grant recipients; and (3) set cost limits, which include a general prohibition of all food and beverage costs.

Costs Associated with Language Assistance (if applicable)

If an applicant proposes a program or activity that would deliver services or benefits to individuals, the costs of taking reasonable steps to provide meaningful access to those services

or benefits for individuals with limited English proficiency may be allowable. Reasonable steps to provide meaningful access to services or benefits may include interpretation or translation services, where appropriate.

For additional information, see the "Civil Rights Compliance" section under "Overview of Legal Requirements Generally Applicable to OJP Grants and Cooperative Agreements - FY 2017 Awards" in the OJP Funding Resource Center.

C. Eligibility Information

For information on eligibility, see the title page of this solicitation.

Note that, as discussed in more detail <u>below</u>, the certification regarding compliance with 8 U.S.C. § 1373 must be executed and submitted before a unit of local government (other than an Indian tribal government) can make a valid award acceptance. Also, a unit of local government may not receive award funds (and its award will include a condition that withholds funds) until it submits a properly executed "Certifications and Assurances by Chief Executive of Applicant Government."

D. Application and Submission Information

What an Application Should Include

This section describes in detail what an application should include. An applicant should anticipate that if it fails to submit an application that contains all of the specified elements, it may negatively affect the review of its application; and, should a decision be made to make an award, it may result in the inclusion of award conditions that preclude the recipient from accessing or using award funds until the recipient satisfies the conditions and OJP makes the funds available.

An applicant may combine the Budget Narrative and the Budget Detail Worksheet in one document. If an applicant submits only one budget document, however, it must contain **both** narrative and detail information. Please review the "Note on File Names and File Types" under How to Apply to be sure applications are submitted in permitted formats.

OJP strongly recommends that applicants use appropriately descriptive file names (e.g., "Program Narrative," "Budget Detail Worksheet and Budget Narrative," "Timelines," "Memoranda of Understanding," "Résumés") for all attachments. Also, OJP recommends that applicants include résumés in a single file.

In general, if a unit of local government fails to submit required information or documents, OJP either will return the unit of local government's application in the Grants Management System (GMS) for submission of the missing information or documents, or will attach a condition to the award that will withhold award funds until the necessary information and documents are submitted. (As discussed elsewhere in this solicitation, the certification regarding compliance with 8 U.S.C. § 1373—which is set out at Appendix II—will be handled differently. Unless and until that certification is submitted, the unit of local government (other than an Indian tribal government) will be unable to make a valid acceptance of the award.)

1. Information to Complete the Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424)

The SF-424 is a required standard form used as a cover sheet for submission of preapplications, applications, and related information. GMS takes information from the applicant's profile to populate the fields on this form.

To avoid processing delays, an applicant must include an accurate legal name on its SF-424. Current OJP award recipients, when completing the field for "Legal Name," should use the same legal name that appears on the prior year award document, which is also the legal name stored in OJP's financial system. On the SF-424, enter the Legal Name in box 5 and Employer Identification Number (EIN) in box 6 exactly as it appears on the prior year award document. An applicant with a current, active award(s) must ensure that its GMS profile is current. If the profile is not current, the applicant should submit a Grant Adjustment Notice updating the information on its GMS profile prior to applying under this solicitation.

A new applicant entity should enter the Official Legal Name and address of the applicant entity in box 5 and the EIN in box 6 of the SF-424.

Intergovernmental Review: This solicitation ("funding opportunity") is within the scope of Executive Order 12372, concerning State opportunities to coordinate applications for federal financial assistance. See 28 C.F.R. Part 30. An applicant may find the names and addresses of State Single Points of Contact (SPOCs) at the following website: https://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/grants_spoc/. If the State appears on the SPOC list, the applicant must contact the State SPOC to find out about, and comply with, the State's process under E.O. 12372. In completing the SF-424, an applicant whose State appears on the SPOC list is to make the appropriate selection in response to question 19 once the applicant has complied with its State E.O. 12372 process. (An applicant whose State does not appear on the SPOC list should answer question 19 by selecting the response that the "Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.")

2. Project Abstract

Applications should include a high-quality project abstract that summarizes the proposed project in 400 words or less. Project abstracts should be:

- Written for a general public audience.
- Submitted as a separate attachment with "Project Abstract" as part of its file name.
- Single-spaced, using a standard 12-point font (Times New Roman) with 1-inch margins.
- Include applicant name, title of the project, a brief description of the problem to be addressed and the targeted area/population, project goals and objectives, a description of the project strategy, any significant partnerships, and anticipated outcomes.
- Identify up to 10 project identifiers that would be associated with proposed project activities. The list of identifiers can be found at www.bja.gov/funding/JAGIdentifiers.pdf.

3. Program Narrative

The following sections **should** be included as part of the program narrative³:

a. <u>Statement of the Problem</u> – Identify the unit of local government's strategy/funding priorities for the FY 2017 JAG funds, the subgrant award process and timeline, and a

³ For information on subawards (including the details on proposed subawards that should be included in the application), see "Budget and Associated Documentation" under <u>Section D. Application and Submission Information</u>.

description of the programs to be funded over the grant period. Units of local government are strongly encouraged to prioritize the funding on evidence-based projects.

- b. <u>Project Design and Implementation</u> Describe the unit of local government's strategic planning process, if any, that guides its priorities and funding strategy. This should include a description of how the local community is engaged in the planning process and the data and analysis utilized to support the plan; it should identify the stakeholders currently participating in the strategic planning process, the gaps in the needed resources for criminal justice purposes, and how JAG funds will be coordinated with State and related justice funds.
- c. <u>Capabilities and Competencies</u> Describe any additional strategic planning/coordination efforts in which the units of local government participates with other criminal justice criminal/juvenile justice agencies in the State.
- d. Plan for Collecting the Data Required for this Solicitation's Performance Measures OJP will require each successful applicant to submit specific performance measures data as part of its reporting under the award (see "General Information about Post-Federal Award Reporting Requirements" in Section F. Federal Award Administration Information). The performance measures correlate to the goals, objectives, and deliverables identified under "Goals, Objectives, and Deliverables" in Section A. Program Description. Post award, recipients will be required to submit quarterly performance metrics through BJA's Performance Measurement Tool (PMT), located at: https://bjapmt.ojp.gov. The application should describe the applicant's plan for collection of all of the performance measures data listed in the JAG Program accountability measures at: https://bjapmt.ojp.gov/help/jagdocs.html.

BJA does not require applicants to submit performance measures data with their application. Performance measures are included as an alert that BJA will require successful applicants to submit specific data as part of their reporting requirements. For the application, applicants should indicate an understanding of these requirements and discuss how they will gather the required data, should they receive funding.

Note on Project Evaluations

An applicant that proposes to use award funds through this solicitation to conduct project evaluations should be aware that certain project evaluations (such as systematic investigations designed to develop or contribute to generalizable knowledge) may constitute "research" for purposes of applicable DOJ human subjects protection regulations. However, project evaluations that are intended only to generate internal improvements to a program or service, or are conducted only to meet OJP's performance measure data reporting requirements, likely do not constitute "research." Each applicant should provide sufficient information for OJP to determine whether the particular project it proposes would either intentionally or unintentionally collect and/or use information in such a way that it meets the DOJ regulatory definition of research that appears at 28 C.F.R. Part 46 ("Protection of Human Subjects").

Research, for the purposes of human subjects protection for OJP-funded programs, is defined as "a systematic investigation, including research development, testing and evaluation, designed to develop or contribute to generalizable knowledge." 28 C.F.R. 46.102(d).

For additional information on determining whether a proposed activity would constitute research for purposes of human subjects protection, applicants should consult the decision tree in the "Research and the Protection of Human Subjects" section of the "Requirements related to Research" web page of the "Overview of Legal Requirements Generally Applicable to OJP Grants and Cooperative Agreements - FY 2017" available through the OJP Funding Resource Center. Every prospective applicant whose application may propose a research or statistical component also should review the "Data Privacy and Confidentiality Requirements" section on that web page.

4. Budget and Associated Documentation

(a) Budget Detail Worksheet

A sample Budget Detail Worksheet can be found at www.ojp.gov/funding/Apply/Resources/BudgetDetailWorksheet.pdf. An applicant that submits its budget in a different format should use the budget categories listed in the sample budget worksheet. The Budget Detail Worksheet should break out costs by year.

For questions pertaining to budget and examples of allowable and unallowable costs, see the <u>DOJ Grants Financial Guide</u>.

(b) Budget Narrative

The Budget Narrative should thoroughly and clearly describe every category of expense listed in the proposed Budget Detail Worksheet. OJP expects proposed budgets to be complete, cost effective, and allowable (e.g., reasonable, allocable, and necessary for project activities). This narrative should include a full description of all costs, including administrative costs (if applicable).

An applicant should demonstrate in its Budget Narrative how it will maximize cost effectiveness of award expenditures. Budget narratives should generally describe cost effectiveness in relation to potential alternatives and the goals of the project. For example, a budget narrative should detail why planned in-person meetings are necessary, or how technology and collaboration with outside organizations could be used to reduce costs, without compromising quality.

The Budget Narrative should be mathematically sound and correspond clearly with the information and figures provided in the Budget Detail Worksheet. The narrative should explain how the applicant estimated and calculated all costs, and how those costs are necessary to the completion of the proposed project. The narrative may include tables for clarification purposes, but need not be in a spreadsheet format. As with the Budget Detail Worksheet, the Budget Narrative should describe costs by year.

(c) Information on Proposed Subawards (if any), as well as on Proposed Procurement Contracts (if any)

Applicants for OJP awards typically may propose to make "subawards." Applicants also may propose to enter into procurement "contracts" under the award.

Whether—for purposes of federal grants administrative requirements—a particular agreement between a recipient and a third party will be considered a "subaward" or instead considered a procurement "contract" under the award is determined by federal rules and applicable OJP guidance. It is an important distinction, in part because the

federal administrative rules and requirements that apply to "subawards" and procurement "contracts" under awards differ markedly.

In general, the central question is the relationship between what the third party will do under its agreement with the recipient and what the recipient has committed (to OJP) to do under its award to further a public purpose (e.g., services the recipient will provide, products it will develop or modify, research or evaluation it will conduct). If a third party will provide some of the services the recipient has committed (to OJP) to provide, will develop or modify all or part of a product the recipient has committed (to OJP) to develop or modify, or conduct part of the research or evaluation the recipient has committed (to OJP) to conduct, OJP will consider the agreement with the third party a subaward for purposes of federal grants administrative requirements.

This will be true **even if** the recipient, for internal or other non-federal purposes, labels or treats its agreement as a procurement, a contract, or a procurement contract. Neither the title nor the structure of an agreement determines whether the agreement—for purposes of federal grants administrative requirements—is a "subaward" or is instead a procurement "contract" under an award.

Additional guidance on the circumstances under which (for purposes of federal grants administrative requirements) an agreement constitutes a subaward as opposed to a procurement contract under an award is available (along with other resources) on the OJP Part 200 Uniform Requirements web page.

(1) Information on proposed subawards and required certification regarding 8 U.S.C. § 1373 from certain subrecipients

General requirement for federal authorization of any subaward; statutory authorizations of subawards under the JAG Program statute. Generally, a recipient of an OJP award may not make subawards ("subgrants") unless the recipient has specific federal authorization to do so. Unless an applicable statute or DOJ regulation specifically authorizes (or requires) particular subawards, a recipient must have authorization from OJP before it may make a subaward.

JAG subawards that are required or specifically authorized by statute (see 42 U.S.C. § 3751(a) and 42 U.S.C. § 3755) do not require prior approval to authorize subawards. This includes subawards made by units of local government under the JAG Program.

A particular subaward may be authorized by OJP because the recipient included a sufficiently detailed description and justification of the proposed subaward in the application as approved by OJP. If, however, a particular subaward is not authorized by federal statute or regulation and is not sufficiently described and justified in the application as approved by OJP, the recipient will be required, post award, to request and obtain written authorization from OJP before it may make the subaward.

If an applicant proposes to make one or more subawards to carry out the federal award and program, and those subawards are not specifically authorized (or required) by statute or regulation, the applicant should: (1) identify (if known) the proposed subrecipient(s), (2) describe in detail what each subrecipient will do to carry out the federal award and federal program, and (3) provide a justification for the

subaward(s), with details on pertinent matters such as special qualifications and areas of expertise. Pertinent information on subawards should appear not only in the Program Narrative but also in the Budget Detail Worksheet and budget narrative.

NEW Required certification regarding 8 U.S.C. § 1373 from any proposed subrecipient that is a unit of local government or "public" institution of higher education. Before a unit of local government may subaward FY 2017 award funds to another unit of local government or to a public institution of higher education, it will be required (by award condition) to obtain a properly executed certification regarding compliance with 8 U.S.C. § 1373 from the proposed subrecipient. (This requirement regarding 8 U.S.C. § 1373 will not apply to subawards to Indian tribes). The specific certification the unit of local government must require from another unit of local government will vary somewhat from the specific certification it must require from a public institution of higher education. The forms will be posted and available for download at: https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/SampleCertifications-8USC1373.htm.

(2) Information on proposed procurement contracts (with specific justification for proposed noncompetitive contracts over \$150,000)

Unlike a recipient contemplating a subaward, a recipient of an OJP award generally does not need specific prior federal authorization to enter into an agreement that—for purposes of federal grants administrative requirements—is considered a procurement contract, **provided that** (1) the recipient uses its own documented procurement procedures and (2) those procedures conform to applicable federal law, including the Procurement Standards of the (DOJ) Part 200 Uniform Requirements (as set out at 2 C.F.R. 200.317 - 200.326). The Budget Detail Worksheet and budget narrative should identify proposed procurement contracts. (As discussed above, subawards must be identified and described separately from procurement contracts.)

The Procurement Standards in the (DOJ) Part 200 Uniform Requirements, however, reflect a general expectation that agreements that (for purposes of federal grants administrative requirements) constitute procurement "contracts" under awards will be entered into on the basis of full and open competition. If a proposed procurement contract would exceed the simplified acquisition threshold—currently, \$150,000—a recipient of an OJP award may not proceed without competition, unless and until the recipient receives specific advance authorization from OJP to use a non-competitive approach for the procurement.

An applicant that (at the time of its application) intends—without competition—to enter into a procurement contract that would exceed \$150,000 should include a detailed justification that explains to OJP why, in the particular circumstances, it is appropriate to proceed without competition. Various considerations that may be pertinent to the justification are outlined in the DOJ Grants Financial Guide.

(d) Pre-Agreement Costs

For information on pre-agreement costs, see Section B. Federal Award Information.

5. Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (if applicable)

Indirect costs may be charged to an award only if:

(a) The recipient has a current (that is, unexpired), federally approved indirect cost rate; or

(b) The recipient is eligible to use, and elects to use, the "de minimis" indirect cost rate described in the (DOJ) Part 200 Uniform Requirements, as set out at 2 C.F.R. 200.414(f).

Note: This rule does not eliminate or alter the JAG-specific restriction in federal law that charges for administrative costs may not exceed 10 percent of the award amount, regardless of the approved indirect cost rate.

An applicant with a current (that is, unexpired) federally approved indirect cost rate is to attach a copy of the indirect cost rate agreement to the application. An applicant that does not have a current federally approved rate may request one through its cognizant federal agency, which will review all documentation and approve a rate for the applicant entity, or, if the applicant's accounting system permits, applicants may propose to allocate costs in the direct cost categories.

For assistance with identifying the appropriate cognizant federal agency for indirect costs, please contact the OCFO Customer Service Center at 1–800–458–0786 or at ask.ocfo@usdoj.gov. If DOJ is the cognizant federal agency, applicants may obtain information needed to submit an indirect cost rate proposal at: www.ojp.gov/funding/Apply/Resources/IndirectCosts.pdf.

Certain OJP recipients have the option of electing to use the "de minimis" indirect cost rate. An applicant that is eligible to use the "de minimis" rate that wishes to use the "de minimis" rate should attach written documentation to the application that advises OJP of both: (1) the applicant's eligibility to use the "de minimis" rate, and (2) its election to do so. If an eligible applicant elects the "de minimis" rate, costs must be consistently charged as either indirect or direct costs, but may not be double charged or inconsistently charged as both. The "de minimis" rate may no longer be used once an approved federally-negotiated indirect cost rate is in place. (No entity that ever has had a federally approved negotiated indirect cost rate is eligible to use the "de minimis" rate.)

6. Tribal Authorizing Resolution (if applicable)

An applicant that proposes to provide direct services or assistance to residents on tribal lands should include in its application a resolution, a letter, affidavit, or other documentation, as appropriate, that demonstrates (as a legal matter) that the applicant has the requisite authorization from the tribe(s) to implement the proposed project on tribal lands.

OJP will not deny an application for an FY 2017 award for failure to submit such tribal authorizing resolution (or other appropriate documentation) by the application deadline, but a unit of local government will not receive award funds (and its award will include a condition that withholds funds) until it submits the appropriate documentation.

7. Financial Management and System of Internal Controls Questionnaire (including applicant disclosure of high-risk status)

Every unit of local government is to complete the <u>OJP Financial Management and System of Internal Controls Questionnaire</u> as part of its application. In accordance with the Part 200 Uniform Requirements as set out at <u>2 C.F.R. 200.205</u>, federal agencies must have in place a framework for evaluating the risks posed by applicants before they receive a federal award.

8. Applicant Disclosure of High Risk Status

Applicants that are currently designated high risk by another federal grant making agency must disclose that status. For purposes of this disclosure, high risk includes any status under which a federal awarding agency provides additional oversight due to the applicant's past performance, or other programmatic or financial concerns with the applicant. If an applicant is designated high risk by another federal awarding agency, the applicant must provide the following information:

- The federal agency that currently designated the applicant as high risk
- Date the applicant was designated high risk
- The high risk point of contact at that federal awarding agency (name, phone number, and email address).
- · Reasons for the high risk status, as set out by the federal awarding agency

OJP seeks this information to help ensure appropriate federal oversight of OJP awards. An applicant that is considered "high risk" by another federal awarding agency is not automatically disqualified from receiving an OJP award. OJP may, however, consider the information in award decisions, and may impose additional OJP oversight of any award under this solicitation (including through the conditions that accompany the award document).

9. Disclosure of Lobbying Activities

An applicant that expends any funds for lobbying activities is to provide all of the information requested on the form Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (SF-LLL).

10. Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government A JAG application is not complete, and a unit of local government may not receive award funds, unless the chief executive of the applicant unit of local government (e.g., the mayor) properly executes, and the unit of local government submits, the "Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government" attached to this solicitation as Appendix I.

OJP will not deny an application for an FY 2017 award for failure to submit these "Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government" by the application deadline, but a unit of local government will not receive award funds (and its award will include a condition that withholds funds) until it submits these certifications and assurances, properly executed by the chief executive of the unit of local government (e.g., the mayor).

11. Certification of Compliance with 8 U.S.C. § 1373 by the Chief Legal Officer of the Applicant Government

The chief legal officer of an applicant unit of local government (e.g., the General Counsel) is to carefully review the "State or Local Government: FY 2017 Certification of Compliance with 8 U.S.C. § 1373" that is attached as <u>Appendix II</u> to this solicitation. If the chief legal officer determines that he or she may execute the certification, the unit of local government is to submit the certification as part of its application. (Note: this requirement does not apply to Indian tribal governments.)

As discussed further <u>below</u>, a unit of local government (other than an Indian tribal government) applicant will be *unable to make a valid award acceptance* of an FY 2017 JAG

award unless and until a properly executed certification by its chief legal officer is received by OJP on or before the day the unit of local government submits an executed award document.

12. Additional Attachments

(a) Applicant Disclosure of Pending Applications

Each applicant is to disclose whether it has (or is proposed as a subrecipient under) any pending applications for federally funded grants or cooperative agreements that (1) include requests for funding to support the same project being proposed in the application under this solicitation and (2) would cover identical cost items outlined in the budget submitted to OJP as part of the application under this solicitation. The applicant is to disclose applications made directly to federal awarding agencies, and also applications for subawards of federal funds (e.g., applications to State agencies that will subaward ("subgrant") federal funds).

OJP seeks this information to help avoid any inappropriate duplication of funding. Leveraging multiple funding sources in a complementary manner to implement comprehensive programs or projects is encouraged and is not seen as inappropriate duplication.

Each applicant that has one or more pending applications as described above is to provide the following information about pending applications submitted within the last 12 months:

- The federal or State funding agency
- The solicitation name/project name
- The point of contact information at the applicable federal or State funding agency

Federal or State Funding Agency	Solicitation Name/Project Name	Name/Phone/Email for Point of Contact at Federal or State Funding Agency
DOJ/Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS)	COPS Hiring Program	Jane Doe, 202/000-0000; jane.doe@usdoj.gov
Health & Human Services/ Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration	Drug-Free Communities Mentoring Program/ North County Youth Mentoring Program	John Doe, 202/000-0000; john.doe@hhs.gov

Each applicant should include the table as a separate attachment to its application. The file should be named "Disclosure of Pending Applications." The applicant Legal Name on the application must match the entity named on the disclosure of pending applications statement.

Any applicant that does not have any pending applications as described above is to submit, as a separate attachment, a statement to this effect: "[Applicant Name on SF-424] does not have (and is not proposed as a subrecipient under) any pending applications submitted within the last 12 months for federally funded grants or cooperative agreements (or for subawards under federal grants or cooperative agreements) that request funding to support the same project being proposed in this application to OJP and that would cover identical cost items outlined in the budget submitted as part of this application."

(b) Research and Evaluation Independence and Integrity (if applicable)

If an application involves research (including research and development) and/or evaluation, the applicant must demonstrate research/evaluation independence and integrity, including appropriate safeguards, before it may receive award funds. The applicant must demonstrate independence and integrity regarding both this proposed research and/or evaluation, and any current or prior related projects.

Each application should include an attachment that addresses both i, and ii. below.

- i. For purposes of this solicitation, each applicant is to document research and evaluation independence and integrity by including one of the following two items:
 - a. A specific assurance that the applicant has reviewed its application to identify any actual or potential apparent conflicts of interest (including through review of pertinent information on the principal investigator, any co-principal investigators, and any subrecipients), and that the applicant has identified no such conflicts of interest—whether personal or financial or organizational (including on the part of the applicant entity or on the part of staff, investigators, or subrecipients)—that could affect the independence or integrity of the research, including the design, conduct, and reporting of the research.

OR

b. A specific description of actual or potential apparent conflicts of interest that the applicant has identified—including through review of pertinent information on the principal investigator, any co-principal investigators, and any subrecipients—that could affect the independence or integrity of the research, including the design, conduct, or reporting of the research. These conflicts may be personal (e.g., on the part of investigators or other staff), financial, or organizational (related to the applicant or any subrecipient entity). Some examples of potential investigator (or other personal) conflict situations are those in which an investigator would be in a position to evaluate a spouse's work product (actual conflict), or an investigator would be in a position to evaluate the work of a former or current colleague (potential apparent conflict). With regard to potential organizational conflicts of interest, as one example, generally an organization would not be given an award to evaluate a project, if that organization had itself provided substantial prior technical assistance to that specific project or a location implementing the project (whether funded by OJP or other sources), because the organization in such an

instance might appear to be evaluating the effectiveness of its own prior work. The key is whether a reasonable person understanding all of the facts would be able to have confidence that the results of any research or evaluation project are objective and reliable. Any outside personal or financial interest that casts doubt on that objectivity and reliability of an evaluation or research product is a problem and must be disclosed.

- ii. In addition, for purposes of this solicitation, each applicant is to address possible mitigation of research integrity concerns by including, at a minimum, one of the following two items:
 - a. If an applicant reasonably believes that no actual or potential apparent conflicts of interest (personal, financial, or organizational) exist, then the applicant should provide a brief narrative explanation of how and why it reached that conclusion. The applicant also is to include an explanation of the specific processes and procedures that the applicant has in place, or will put in place, to identify and prevent (or, at the very least, mitigate) any such conflicts of interest pertinent to the funded project during the period of performance. Documentation that may be helpful in this regard may include organizational codes of ethics/conduct and policies regarding organizational, personal, and financial conflicts of interest. There is no guarantee that the plan, if any, will be accepted as proposed.

OR

b. If the applicant has identified actual or potential apparent conflicts of interest (personal, financial, or organizational) that could affect the independence and integrity of the research, including the design, conduct, or reporting of the research, the applicant is to provide a specific and robust mitigation plan to address each of those conflicts. At a minimum, the applicant is expected to explain the specific processes and procedures that the applicant has in place, or will put in place, to identify and eliminate (or, at the very least, mitigate) any such conflicts of interest pertinent to the funded project during the period of performance. Documentation that may be helpful in this regard may include organizational codes of ethics/conduct and policies regarding organizational, personal, and financial conflicts of interest. There is no guarantee that the plan, if any, will be accepted as proposed.

OJP will assess research and evaluation independence and integrity based on considerations such as the adequacy of the applicant's efforts to identify factors that could affect the objectivity or integrity of the proposed staff and/or the applicant entity (and any subrecipients) in carrying out the research, development, or evaluation activity; and the adequacy of the applicant's existing or proposed remedies to control any such factors.

(c) Local Governing Body Review

Applicants must submit information via the Certification and Assurances by the Chief Executive (See <u>Appendix I</u>) which documents that the JAG application was made available for review by the governing body of the unit of local government, or to an organization designated by that governing body, for a period that was not less than 30

days before the application was submitted to BJA. The same Chief Executive Certification will also specify that an opportunity to comment on this application was provided to citizens prior to the application submission to the extent applicable law or established procedures make such opportunity available. In the past, this has been accomplished via submission of specific review dates; now OJP will only accept a chief executive's certification to attest to these facts. Units of local government may continue to submit actual dates of review should they wish to do so, in addition to the submission of the Chief Executive Certification.

How to Apply

An applicant must submit its application through the <u>Grants Management System (GMS)</u>, which provides support for the application, award, and management of awards at OJP. Each applicant entity **must register in GMS for each specific funding opportunity**. Although the registration and submission deadlines are the same, OJP urges each applicant entity to **register promptly**, especially if this is the first time the applicant is using the system. Find complete instructions on how to register and submit an application in GMS at www.ojp.gov/gmscbt/. An applicant that experiences technical difficulties during this process should email GMS.HelpDesk@usdoj.gov or call 888–549–9901 (option 3), 24 hours every day, including during federal holidays. OJP recommends that each applicant **register promptly** to prevent delays in submitting an application package by the deadline.

Note on File Types: GMS does not accept executable file types as application attachments. These disallowed file types include, but are not limited to, the following extensions: ".com," ".bat," ".exe," ".vbs," ".cfg," ".dat," ".db," ".dbf," ".dll," ".ini," ".log," ".ora," ".sys," and ".zip."

Every applicant entity must comply with all applicable System for Award Management (SAM) and unique entity identifier (currently, a Data Universal Numbering System [DUNS] number) requirements. If an applicant entity has not fully complied with applicable SAM and unique identifier requirements by the time OJP makes award decisions, OJP may determine that the applicant is not qualified to receive an award and may use that determination as a basis for making the award to a different applicant.

All applicants should complete the following steps:

1. Acquire a unique entity identifier (DUNS number). In general, the Office of Management and Budget requires every applicant for a federal award (other than an individual) to include a "unique entity identifier" in each application, including an application for a supplemental award. Currently, a DUNS number is the required unique entity identifier.

A DUNS number is a unique nine-digit identification number provided by the commercial company Dun and Bradstreet. This unique entity identifier is used for tracking purposes, and to validate address and point of contact information for applicants, recipients, and subrecipients. It will be used throughout the life cycle of an OJP award. Obtaining a DUNS number is a free, one-time activity. Call Dun and Bradstreet at 866–705–5711 to obtain a DUNS number or apply online at www.dnb.com. A DUNS number is usually received within 1–2 business days.

2. Acquire registration with the SAM. SAM is the repository for certain standard information about federal financial assistance applicants, recipients, and subrecipients. All applicants for OJP awards (other than individuals) must maintain current registrations in the SAM database.

Each applicant must **update** or **renew its SAM registration at least annually** to maintain an active status. SAM registration and renewal can take as long as 10 business days to complete.

Information about SAM registration procedures can be accessed at https://www.sam.gov/.

- **3.** Acquire a GMS username and password. New users must create a GMS profile by selecting the "First Time User" link under the sign-in box of the <u>GMS</u> home page. For more information on how to register in GMS, go to <u>www.oip.gov/gmscbt</u>. Previously registered applicants should ensure, prior to applying, that the user profile information is up-to-date in GMS (including, but not limited to, address, legal name of agency and authorized representative) as this information is populated in any new application.
- **4. Verify the SAM (formerly CCR) registration in GMS.** OJP requires each applicant to verify its SAM registration in GMS. Once logged into GMS, click the "CCR Claim" link on the left side of the default screen. Click the submit button to verify the SAM (formerly CCR) registration.
- **5.** Search for the funding opportunity on GMS. After logging into GMS or completing the GMS profile for username and password, go to the "Funding Opportunities" link on the left side of the page. Select BJA and FY 17 Edward Byrne Memorial Local Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program.
- 6. Register by selecting the "Apply Online" button associated with the funding opportunity title. The search results from step 5 will display the "funding opportunity" (solicitation) title along with the registration and application deadlines for this solicitation. Select the "Apply Online" button in the "Action" column to register for this solicitation and create an application in the system.
- 7. Follow the directions in GMS to submit an application consistent with this solicitation. Once the application is submitted, GMS will display a confirmation screen stating the submission was successful. Important: In some instances, applicants must wait for GMS approval before submitting an application. OJP urges each applicant to submit its application at least 72 hours prior to the application due date.

Note: Application Versions

If an applicant submits multiple versions of the same application, OJP will review **only** the most recent system-validated version submitted.

Experiencing Unforeseen GMS Technical Issues

An applicant that experiences unforeseen GMS technical issues beyond its control that prevent it from submitting its application by the deadline may contact the GMS Help Desk or the SAM Help Desk (Federal Service Desk) to report the technical issue and receive a tracking number. The applicant is expected to email the NCJRS Response Center identified in the Contact Information section on the title page within 24 hours after the application deadline to request approval to submit its application after the deadline. The applicant's email must describe the technical difficulties, and must include a timeline of the applicant's submission efforts, the complete grant application, the applicant's DUNS number, and any GMS Help Desk or SAM tracking number(s).

Note: OJP does not automatically approve requests to submit a late application. After OJP reviews the applicant's request, and contacts the GMS Help Desk to verify the reported technical issues, OJP will inform the applicant whether the request to submit a late application

has been approved or denied. If OJP determines that the untimely application submission was due to the applicant's failure to follow all required procedures, OJP will deny the applicant's request to submit its application.

The following conditions generally are insufficient to justify late submissions to OJP solicitations:

- Failure to register in SAM or GMS in sufficient time (SAM registration and renewal can take as long as 10 business days to complete.)
- Failure to follow GMS instructions on how to register and apply as posted on the GMS website
- Failure to follow each instruction in the OJP solicitation
- Technical issues with the applicant's computer or information technology environment such as issues with firewalls

E. Application Review Information

Review Process

OJP is committed to ensuring a fair and open process for making awards. BJA reviews the application to make sure that the information presented is reasonable, understandable, measurable, and achievable, as well as consistent with the solicitation. BJA will also review applications to help ensure that JAG program-statute requirements have been met.

Pursuant to the (DOJ) Part 200 Uniform Requirements, before awards are made, OJP also reviews information related to the degree of risk posed by applicants. Among other things, to help assess whether an applicant that has one or more prior federal awards has a satisfactory record with respect to performance, integrity, and business ethics, OJP checks whether the applicant is listed in SAM as excluded from receiving a federal award. In addition, if OJP anticipates that an award will exceed \$150,000 in federal funds, OJP also must review and consider any information about the applicant that appears in the non-public segment of the integrity and performance system accessible through SAM (currently, the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System; "FAPIIS").

Important note on FAPIIS: An applicant, at its option, may review and comment on any information about itself that currently appears in FAPIIS and was entered by a federal awarding agency. OJP will consider any such comments by the applicant, in addition to the other information in FAPIIS, in its assessment of the risk posed by the applicant.

The evaluation of risks goes beyond information in SAM, however. OJP itself has in place a framework for evaluating risks posed by applicants. OJP takes into account information pertinent to matters such as—

- 1. Applicant financial stability and fiscal integrity
- 2. Quality of the management systems of the applicant, and the applicant's ability to meet prescribed management standards, including those outlined in the DOJ Grants Financial Guide
- 3. Applicant's history of performance under OJP and other DOJ awards (including compliance with reporting requirements and award conditions), as well as awards from other federal agencies

- 4. Reports and findings from audits of the applicant, including audits under the (DOJ) Part 200 Uniform Requirements
- 5. Applicant's ability to comply with statutory and regulatory requirements, and to effectively implement other award requirements

Absent explicit statutory authorization or written delegation of authority to the contrary, the Assistant Attorney General will make all final award decisions.

F. Federal Award Administration Information

Federal Award Notices

OJP expects to issue award notifications by September 30, 2017. OJP sends award notifications by email through GMS to the individuals listed in the application as the point of contact and the authorizing official. The email notification includes detailed instructions on how to access and view the award documents, and steps to take in GMS to start the award acceptance process. GMS automatically issues the notifications at 9:00 p.m. eastern time on the award date.

NOTE: In order validly to accept an award under the FY 2017 JAG Program, a unit of local government (other than an Indian tribal government) must submit to GMS the certification by its chief legal officer regarding compliance with 8 U.S.C. § 1373, executed using the form that appears in https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/SampleCertifications-8USC1373.htm.) Unless the executed certification either (1) is submitted to OJP together with the signed award document or (2) is uploaded in GMS no later than the day the signed award document is submitted, OJP will reject as invalid any submission by a unit of local government (other than an Indian tribal government) that purports to accept an award under this solicitation.

Rejection of an initial submission as an invalid award acceptance is not a denial of the award. Consistent with award requirements, once the unit of local government **does** submit the necessary certification regarding 8 U.S.C. § 1373, the unit of local government **will** be permitted to submit an award document executed by the unit of local government on or after the date of that certification.

Also, in order for a unit of local government applicant validly to accept an award under the FY 2017 JAG Program, an individual with the necessary authority to bind the applicant will be required to log in; execute a set of legal certifications and a set of legal assurances; designate a financial point of contact; thoroughly review the award, including all award conditions; and sign and accept the award. The award acceptance process requires physical signature of the award document by the authorized representative and the scanning of the fully executed award document (along with the required certification regarding 8 U.S.C. § 1373, if not already uploaded in GMS) to OJP.

Statutory and Regulatory Requirements; Award Conditions

If selected for funding, in addition to implementing the funded project consistent with the OJP-approved application, the recipient must comply with all award requirements (including all award conditions), as well as all applicable requirements of federal statutes and regulations (including those referred to in assurances and certifications executed as part of the application or in

connection with award acceptance, and administrative and policy requirements set by statute or regulation).

OJP strongly encourages prospective applicants to review information on post-award legal requirements generally applicable to FY 2017 OJP awards and common OJP award conditions **prior** to submitting an application.

Applicants should consult the "Overview of Legal Requirements Generally Applicable to OJP Grants and Cooperative Agreements - FY 2017 Awards," available in the OJP Funding Resource Center. In addition, applicants should examine the following two legal documents, as each successful applicant must execute both documents in GMS before it may receive any award funds.

- Certifications Regarding Lobbying; Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility
 Matters; and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements
- OJP Certified Standard Assurances (attached to this solicitation as Appendix IV)

The web pages accessible through the "Overview of Legal Requirements Generally Applicable to OJP Grants and Cooperative Agreements - FY 2017 Awards" are intended to give applicants for OJP awards a general overview of important statutes, regulations, and award conditions that apply to many (or in some cases, all) OJP grants and cooperative agreements awarded in FY 2017. Individual OJP awards typically also will include additional award conditions. Those additional conditions may relate to the particular statute, program, or solicitation under which the award is made; to the substance of the funded application; to the recipient's performance under other federal awards; to the recipient's legal status (e.g., as a for-profit entity); or to other pertinent considerations.

Individual FY 2017 JAG awards will include two new express conditions that, with respect to the "program or activity" that would be funded by the FY 2017 award, are designed to ensure that States and units of local government that receive funds from the FY 2017 JAG award: (1) permit personnel of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to access any correctional or detention facility in order to meet with an alien (or an individual believed to be an alien) and inquire as to his or her right to be or remain in the United States and (2) provide at least 48 hours' advance notice to DHS regarding the scheduled release date and time of an alien in the jurisdiction's custody when DHS requests such notice in order to take custody of the alien pursuant to the Immigration and Nationality Act.

Compliance with the requirements of the two foregoing new award conditions will be an authorized and priority purpose of the award. The reasonable costs (to the extent not reimbursed under any other federal program) of developing and putting into place statutes, rules, regulations, policies, or practices as required by these conditions, and to honor any duly authorized requests from DHS that is encompassed by these conditions, will be allowable costs under the award.

General Information about Post-Federal Award Reporting Requirements

A unit of local government recipient of an award under this solicitation will be required to submit the following reports and data:

Required reports. Recipients typically must submit quarterly financial status reports, semi-annual progress reports, final financial and progress reports, and, if applicable, an annual audit report in accordance with the (DOJ) Part 200 Uniform Requirements or specific award conditions. Future awards and fund drawdowns may be withheld if reports are delinquent. (In appropriate cases, OJP may require additional reports.)

Awards that exceed \$500,000 will include an additional condition that, under specific circumstances, will require the recipient to report (to FAPIIS) information on civil, criminal, and administrative proceedings connected with (or connected to the performance of) either the OJP award or any other grant, cooperative agreement, or procurement contract from the federal government. Additional information on this reporting requirement appears in the text of the award condition posted on the OJP website at: https://ojp.gov/funding/FAPIIS.htm

<u>Data on performance measures</u>. In addition to required reports, each recipient of an award under this solicitation also must provide data that measure the results of the work done under the award. To demonstrate program progress and success, as well as to assist DOJ with fulfilling its responsibilities under GPRA and the GPRA Modernization Act of 2010, OJP will require State recipients to provide accountability metrics data. Accountability metrics data must be submitted through BJA's Performance Measurement Tool (PMT), available at https://bjapmt.ojp.gov. The accountability measures are available at: https://bjapmt.ojp.gov/help/jagdocs.html. (Note that if a law enforcement agency receives JAG funds from a State, the State must submit quarterly accountability metrics data related to training that officers have received on use of force, racial and ethnic bias, de-escalation of conflict, and constructive engagement with the public.)

OJP may restrict access to award funds if a recipient of an OJP award fails to report required performance measures data in a timely manner.

G. Federal Awarding Agency Contact(s)

For OJP contact(s), see the title page of this solicitation.

For contact information for GMS, see the title page.

H. Other Information

Freedom of Information Act and Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. § 552 and 5 U.S.C. § 552a)

All applications submitted to OJP (including all attachments to applications) are subject to the federal Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and to the Privacy Act. By law, DOJ may withhold information that is responsive to a request pursuant to FOIA if DOJ determines that the responsive information either is protected under the Privacy Act or falls within the scope of one of nine statutory exemptions under FOIA. DOJ cannot agree in advance of a request pursuant to FOIA not to release some or all portions of an application.

In its review of records that are responsive to a FOIA request, OJP will withhold information in those records that plainly falls within the scope of the Privacy Act or one of the statutory exemptions under FOIA. (Some examples include certain types of information in budgets, and names and contact information for project staff other than certain key personnel.) In appropriate

circumstances, OJP will request the views of the applicant/recipient that submitted a responsive document.

For example, if OJP receives a request pursuant to FOIA for an application submitted by a nonprofit or for-profit organization or an institution of higher education, or for an application that involves research, OJP typically will contact the applicant/recipient that submitted the application and ask it to identify—quite precisely—any particular information in the application that applicant/recipient believes falls under a FOIA exemption, the specific exemption it believes applies, and why. After considering the submission by the applicant/recipient, OJP makes an independent assessment regarding withholding information. OJP generally follows a similar process for requests pursuant to FOIA for applications that may contain law-enforcement sensitive information.

Provide Feedback to OJP

To assist OJP in improving its application and award processes, OJP encourages applicants to provide feedback on this solicitation, the application submission process, and/or the application review process. Provide feedback to OJPSolicitationFeedback@usdoj.gov.

IMPORTANT: This email is for feedback and suggestions only. OJP does **not** reply to messages it receives in this mailbox. A prospective applicant that has specific questions on any program or technical aspect of the solicitation **must** use the appropriate telephone number or email listed on the front of this solicitation document to obtain information. These contacts are provided to help ensure that prospective applicants can directly reach an individual who can address specific questions in a timely manner.

If you are interested in being a reviewer for other OJP grant applications, please email your résumé to oippeerreview@lmsolas.com. (Do not send your résumé to the OJP Solicitation Feedback email account.) **Note:** Neither you nor anyone else from your organization or entity can be a peer reviewer in a competition in which you or your organization/entity has submitted an application.

Application Checklist

Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program:

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This application checklist has been created as an aid in developing an application.

What an Applicant Should Do:

Prior to Registering in GMS:	
Acquire a DUNS Number	(see page 27)
Acquire or renew registration with SAM	(see page 27)
To Register with GMS:	(9/
For new users, acquire a GMS username and password*	(see page 27)
For existing users, check GMS username and password* to ensure a	
Marife CANA na miatoration in CNAC	(see page 27)
Verify SAM registration in GMS	(see page 27)
Search for correct funding opportunity in GMS	(see page 27)
Select correct funding opportunity in GMS	(see page 27)
Register by selecting the "Apply Online" button associated with the fu	
title	(see page 27)
Read OJP policy and guidance on conference approval, planning, ar	
available at <u>ojp.gov/financialguide/DOJ/PostawardRequirements/chapter3.10</u>	<u>0a.htm</u>
	(see page 14)
If experiencing technical difficulties in GMS, contact the NCJRS Resp	onse Center
	(see page 2)
*Password Reset Notice – GMS users are reminded that while password resthis function is only associated with points of contact designated within GMS account was established. Neither OJP nor the GMS Help Desk will initiate a unless requested by the authorized official or a designated point of contact a award or application.	at the time the password reset
Overview of Post-Award Legal Requirements:	
Review the "Overview of Legal Requirements Generally Applicable to Cooperative Agreements - FY 2017 Awards" in the OJP Funding Resource (
Scope Requirement:	
The federal amount requested is within the allowable limit(s) of the FY Allocations List as listed on BJA's <u>JAG web page.</u>	′ 2017 JAG

What an Application Should Include:

Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424)	(see p	page	16)
Project Abstract	(see p	age	16)
Program Narrative	(see p	age	17)
Budget Detail Worksheet	(see p	age	18)
Budget Narrative	(see p	age	18)
Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (if applicable)	(see p	age	21)
Tribal Authorizing Resolution (if applicable)	(see p	age	21)
Financial Management and System of Internal Controls Questionnaire	(see p	age	22)
Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (SF-LLL) (if applicable)	(see p	age	22)
Certifications and Assurances by Chief Executive	(see p	age	22)
Certification of Compliance with 8 U.S.C. § 1373 by Chief Legal Officer (N	lote: thi	s	
requirement does not apply to Indian tribal governments.)	(see p	age	23)
OJP Certified Standard Assurances	(see p	age	40)
Additional Attachments		_	
Applicant Disclosure of Pending Applications	(see)	page	23)
Research and Evaluation Independence and Integrity (if applicable)		_	•
	(see p	ade	24)

Appendix I

Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government

Template for use by *chief executive* of the "Unit of local government" (e.g., the mayor)

Note: By law, for purposes of the JAG Program, the term "unit of local government" includes a town, township, village, parish, city, county, borough, or other general purpose political subdivision of a state; or, it may also be a federally recognized Indian tribal government that performs law enforcement functions (as determined by the Secretary of the Interior). A unit of local government may be any law enforcement district or judicial enforcement district established under applicable State law with authority to independently establish a budget and impose taxes; for example, in Louisiana, a unit of local government means a district attorney or parish sheriff.

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Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government

On behalf of the applicant unit of local government named below, in support of that locality's application for an award under the FY 2017 Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant ("JAG") Program, and further to 42 U.S.C. § 3752(a), I certify under penalty of perjury to the Office of Justice Programs ("OJP"), U.S. Department of Justice ("USDOJ"), that all of the following are true and correct:

- I am the chief executive of the applicant unit of local government named below, and I have the authority to make
 the following representations on my own behalf and on behalf of the applicant unit of local government. I
 understand that these representations will be relied upon as material in any OJP decision to make an award, under
 the application described above, to the applicant unit of local government.
- I certify that no federal funds made available by the award (if any) that OJP makes based on the application described above will be used to supplant local funds, but will be used to increase the amounts of such funds that would, in the absence of federal funds, be made available for law enforcement activities.
- 3. I assure that the application described above (and any amendment to that application) was submitted for review to the governing body of the unit of local government (e.g., city council or county commission), or to an organization designated by that governing body, not less than 30 days before the date of this certification.
- 4. I assure that, before the date of this certification—(a) the application described above (and any amendment to that application) was made public; and (b) an opportunity to comment on that application (or amendment) was provided to citizens and to neighborhood or community-based organizations, to the extent applicable law or established procedure made such an opportunity available.
- I assure that, for each fiscal year of the award (if any) that OJP makes based on the application described above, the applicant unit of local government will maintain and report such data, records, and information (programmatic and financial), as OJP may reasonably require.
- 6. I certify that— (a) the programs to be funded by the award (if any) that OJP makes based on the application described above meet all the requirements of the JAG Program statute (42 U.S.C. §§ 3750-3758); (b) all the information contained in that application is correct; (c) in connection with that application, there has been appropriate coordination with affected agencies; and (d) in connection with that award (if any), the applicant unit of local government will comply with all provisions of the JAG Program statute and all other applicable federal laws.
- 7. I have examined certification entitled "State or Local Government: FY 2017 Certification of Compliance with 8 U.S.C. § 1373" executed by the chief legal officer of the applicant government with respect to the FY 2017 JAG program and submitted in support of the application described above, and I hereby adopt that certification as my own on behalf of that government.

I acknowledge that a materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement (or concealment or omission of a material fact) in this certification, or in the application that it "supports, may be the subject of criminal prosecution (including under 18 U.S.C. § 3795a), and also may subject me and the applicant unit of local government to civil penalties and administrative remedies for false claims or otherwise (including under 31 U.S.C. §§ 3729-3730 and §§ 3801-3812). I also acknowledge that OJP awards, including certifications provided in connection with such awards, are subject to review by USDOJ, including by OJP and by the USDOJ Office of the Inspector General.

Signature of Chief Executive of the Applicant Unit of Local Government	Date of Certification
Printed Name of Chief Executive	Title of Chief Executive
Name of Applicant Unit of Local Government	

Appendix II

State or Local Government: Certification of Compliance with 8 U.S.C. § 1373

Template for use by the *chief legal officer* of the "Local Government" (e.g., the General Counsel) (Note: this Certification is not required by Indian tribal government applicants.)

Available for download at:

https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/SampleCertifications-8USC1373.htm

State or Local Government: FY 2017 Certification of Compliance with 8 U.S.C. § 1373

On behalf of the applicant government entity named below, and in support of its application, I certify under penalty of perjury to the Office of Justice Programs ("OJP"), U.S. Department of Justice ("USDOJ"), that all of the following are true and correct:

- (1) I am the chief tegal officer of the State or local government of which the applicant entity named below is a part ("the jurisdiction"), and I have the authority to make this certification on behalf of the jurisdiction and the applicant entity (that is, the entity applying directly to OJP). I understand that OJP will rely upon this certification as a material representation in any decision to make an award to the applicant entity.
- (2) I have carefully reviewed 8 U.S.C. § 1373(a) and (b), including the prohibitions on certain actions by State and local government entities, -agencies, and -officials regarding information on citizenship and immigration status, I also have reviewed the provisions set out at (or referenced in) 8 U.S.C. § 1551 note ("Abolition ... and Transfer of Functions"), pursuant to which references to the "Immigration and Naturalization Service" in 8 U.S.C. § 1373 are to be read, as a legal matter, as references to particular components of the U.S. Department of Horneland Security.
- (3) I (and also the applicant entity) understand that the U.S. Department of Justice will require States and local governments (and agencies or other entities thereof) to comply with 8 U.S.C. § 1373, with respect to any "program or activity" funded in whole or in part with the federal financial assistance provided through the FY 2017 OJP program under which this certification is being submitted ("the FY 2017 OJP Program" identified below), specifically including any such "program or activity" of a governmental entity or -agency that is a subrecipient (at any tier) of funds under the FY 2017 OJP Program.
- (4) I (and also the applicant entity) understand that, for purposes of this certification, "program or activity" means what it means under title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (see 42 U.S.C. § 2000d-4a), and that terms used in this certification that are defined in 8 U.S.C. § 1001 mean what they mean under that section 1101, except that the term "State" also shall include American Samoa (of. 42 U.S.C. § 901(a)(2)). Also, I understant that, for purposes of this certification, neither a "public" institution of higher education (i.e., one that is owned, controlled, or directly funded by a State or local government) nor an Indian tribe is considered a State or local government entity or -agency.
- (5) I have conducted (or caused to be conducted for me) a diligent inquiry and review concerning both-
 - (a) the "program or activity" to be funded (in whole or in part) with the federal financial assistance sought by the applicant entity under this FY 2017 OJP Program; and
 - (b) any prohibitions or restrictions potentially applicable to the "program or activity" sought to be funded under the FY 2017 OJP Program that deal with sending to, requesting or receiving from, maintaining, or exchanging information of the types described in 8 U.S.C. § 1373(a) or (b), whether imposed by a State or local government entity, -agency, or -official.
- (6) As of the date of this certification, neither the jurisdiction nor any entity, agency, or official of the jurisdiction has in effect, purports to have in effect, or is subject to or bound by, any prohibition or any restriction that would apply to the "program or activity" to be funded in whole or in part under the FY 2017 CJP Program (which, for the specific purpose of this paragraph 6, shall not be understood to include any such "program or activity" of any subrecipient at any tier), and that deals with either— (1) a government entity or -official sending or receiving information regarding citizenship or immigration status as described in 8 U.S.C. § 1373(a); or (2) a government entity or -agency senting to, requesting or receiving from, maintaining, or exchanging information of the types (and with respect to the entities) described in 8 U.S.C. § 1373(b).

I acknowledge that a materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement (or concealment or omission of a material fact) in this certification, or in the application that it supports, may be the subject of criminal prosecution (including under 18 U.S.C. §§ 1001 and/or 1621, and/or 42 U.S.C. § 3795a), and also may subject me and the applicant entity to civit penalties and administrative remedies for false claims or otherwise (including under 31 U.S.C. §§ 3729-3730 and §§ 3801-3812). It also acknowledge that OJP awards, including certifications provided in connection with such awards, are subject to review by USDOJ, including by OJP and by the USDOJ Office of the Inspector General.

Signature of Chief Legal Officer of the Jurisdiction	Printed Name of Chief Legal Officer	
Date of Certification	Title of Chief Legal Officer of the Jurisdiction	
Name of Applicant Government Entity (i.e., the application	ant to the FY 2017 OJP Program identified below)	

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Appendix III

8 U.S.C. § **1373** (as in effect on June 21, 2017)

Communication between government agencies and the Immigration and Naturalization Service

(a) In general

Notwithstanding any other provision of Federal, State, or local law, a Federal, State, or local government entity or official may not prohibit, or in any way restrict, any government entity or official from sending to, or receiving from, the Immigration and Naturalization Service information regarding the citizenship or immigration status, lawful or unlawful, of any individual.

(b) Additional authority of government entities

Notwithstanding any other provision of Federal, State, or local law, no person or agency may prohibit, or in any way restrict, a Federal, State, or local government entity from doing any of the following with respect to information regarding the immigration status, lawful or unlawful, of any individual:

- (1) Sending such information to, or requesting or receiving such information from, the Immigration and Naturalization Service.
- (2) Maintaining such information.
- (3) Exchanging such information with any other Federal, State, or local government entity.

(c) Obligation to respond to inquiries

The Immigration and Naturalization Service shall respond to an inquiry by a Federal, State, or local government agency, seeking to verify or ascertain the citizenship or immigration status of any individual within the jurisdiction of the agency for any purpose authorized by law, by providing the requested verification or status information.

See also provisions set out at (or referenced in) 8 U.S.C. § 1551 note ("Abolition ... and Transfer of Functions")

Appendix IV

OJP Certified Standard Assurances

CERTIFIED STANDARD ASSURANCES

On behalf of the Applicant, and in support of this application for a grant or cooperative agreement, I certify under penalty of perjury to the Office of Justice Programs (OJP), U.S. Department of Justice ("Department"), that all of the following are true and correct:

- (1) I have the authority to make the following representations on behalf of myself and the Applicant. I understand that these representations will be relied upon as material in any OJP decision to make an award to the Applicant based on its application.
- (2) I certify that the Applicant has the legal authority to apply for the federal assistance sought by the application, and that it has the institutional, managerial, and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay any required non-federal share of project costs) to plan, manage, and complete the project described in the application property.
- (3) I assure that, throughout the period of performance for the award (if any) made by CUP based on the application—
 - (a) the Applicant will comply with all award requirements and all federal statutes and regulations applicable to the award;
 - (b) the Applicant will require all subrecipients to comply with all applicable award requirements and all applicable federal statutes and requirements and all applicable federal statutes and
 - (c) the Applicant will maintain safeguards to address and prevent any organizational conflict of interest, and also to prohibit employees from using their positions in any manner that poses, or appears to pose, a personal or financial conflict of interest.
- (4) The Applicant understands that the federal statutes and regulations applicable to the award (if any) made by OJP based on the application specifically include statutes and regulations perfaining to civil rights and nondiscrimination, and, in addition—
 - (a) the Applicant understands that the applicable statutes pertaining to civil rights will include section 601 of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000d); section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. § 794); section 901 of the Education Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. § 1681); and section 303 of the Age Discrimination Act of 1976 (42 U.S.C. § 6102);
 - (b) the Applicant understands that the applicable statutes pertaining to nondiscrimination may include section 815(e) of Title I of the Ormibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1988 (42 U.S.C. § 3789d(e)); section 1407(e) of the Victims of Crime Act of 1984 (42 U.S.C. § 10804(e)); section 299A(b) of the Javenille Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 2002 (42 U.S.C. § 5672(b)); and that the grant condition set out at section 40002(b)(13) of the Violence Against Women Act (42 U.S.C. § 13925(b)(13)) also may apply;
 - (c) the Applicant understands that it must require any subrecipient to comply with all such applicable statutes (and associated regulations); and
 - (d) on behalf of the Applicant, I make the specific assurances set out in 28 C.F.R. §§ 42.105 and 42.204.
- (5) The Applicant also understands that (in addition to any applicable program-specific regulations and to applicable federal regulations that pertain to civil rights and roadiscrimination) the federal regulations applicable to the award (if any) made by OuP based on the application may include, but are not limited to, 2 C.F.R. Part 2800 (the DOJ 'Part 200 Uniform Requirements') and 28 C.F.R. Parts 22 (confidentiality research and statistical information), 23 (printinal intelligence systems), and 46 (human subjects protection).
- (6) I assure that the Applicant will assist OJP as necessary (and will require subrecipients and contractors to assist as necessary) with the Department's compliance with section 106 of the National Fistoric Preservation Act of 1066 (54 U.S.C. § 305108), the Archeological and Historical Preservation Act of 1074 (54 U.S.C. §§ 312501-312508), and the National Environmental Policy Act of 1980 (42 U.S.C. §§ 4321-4335), and 28 C.F.R. Parts 61 (NEPA) and 63 (floodplains and watlands).
- (7) I assure that the Applicant will give the Department and the Government Accountability Office, through any authorized representative, access to, and opportunity to examine, all paper or electronic records related to the award (if any) made by OJP based on the application.
- (8) I assure that, if the Applicant is a governmental entity, with respect to the award (if any) made by QJP based on the application—
 - (a) it will comply with the requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisitions Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§ 4601-4655), which govern the treatment of persons displaced as a result of federal and federally-assisted programs; and
 - (b) it will comply with requirements of 5 U.S.C. §§ 1601-1508 and 7324-7328, which limit certain political activities of State or local government employees whose principal employment is in connection with an activity financed in whole or in part by federal assistance.

Lacknowledge that a materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement (or concealment or omission of a material fact) in this certification, or in the application that it supports, may be the subject of criminal prosecution (including under 18 U.S.C. §§ 1001 and/or 1621, and/or 42 U.S.C. § 3795a), and also may subject me and the Applicant to civil penaties and administrative remedies for false claims or otherwise (including under 31 U.S.C. §§ 3729-3730 and 3801-3812). Laiso acknowledge that OJP awards, including certifications provided in connection with such awards, are subject to review by the Department, including by OJP and by the Department's Office of the Inspector General.

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Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government

On behalf of the applicant unit of local government named below, in support of that locality's application for an award under the FY 2017 Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant ("JAG") Program, and further to 42 U.S.C. § 3752(a), I certify under penalty of perjury to the Office of Justice Programs ("OJP"), U.S. Department of Justice ("USDOJ"), that all of the following are true and correct:

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- 7. I have examined certification entitled "State or Local Government" FY 2017 Certification of Compliance with 8 U.S.C. § 1373" executed by the chief legal officer of the applicant government with respect to the FY 2017 JAG program and submitted in support of the application described above, and I hereby adopt that certification as my own on behalf of that government.

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Signature of Chief Executive of the Applicant Unit of Local Government	Date of Cerbification
Printed Name of Chief Executive	Title of Chief Executive
Name of Applicant Unit of Local Government	

State or Local Government: FY 2017 Certification of Compliance with 8 U.S.C. § 1373

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- (3) I (and also the applicant entity) understand that the U.S. Department of Justice will require States and local governments (and agencies or other entities thereof) to comply with 8 U.S.C. § 1373, with respect to any "program or activity" funded in whole or in part with the federal financial assistance provided through the FY 2017 OJP program under which this certification is being submitted ("the FY 2017 OJP Program" identified below), specifically including any such "program or activity" of a governmental entity or -agency that is a subrecipient (at any tier) of funds under the FY 2017 OJP Program.
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 - (a) the "program or activity" to be funded (in whole or in part) with the federal financial assistance sought by the applicant entity under this FY 2017 OJP Program; and
 - (b) any prohibitions or restrictions potentially applicable to the "program or activity" sought to be funded under the FY 2017 OJP Program that deal with sending to, requesting or receiving from, maintaining, or exchanging information of the types described in 8 U.S.C. § 1373(a) or (b), whether imposed by a State or local government entity, -agency, or -official.
- (6) As of the date of this certification, neither the jurisdiction nor any entity, agency, or official of the jurisdiction has in effect, purports to have in effect, or is subject to or bound by, any prohibition or any restriction that would apply to the "program or activity" to be funded in whole or in part under the FY 2017 OJP Program (which, for the specific purpose of this paragraph 6, shall not be understood to include any such "program or activity" of any subrecipient at any tier), and that deals with either— (1) a government entity or -official sending or receiving information regarding citizenship or immigration status as described in 8 U.S.C. § 1373(a); or (2) a government entity or -agency sending to, requesting or receiving from, maintaining, or exchanging information of the types (and with respect to the entities) described in 8 U.S.C. § 1373(b).

I acknowledge that a materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement (or concealment or omission of a material fact) in this certification, or in the application that it supports, may be the subject of criminal prosecution (including under 18 U.S.C. §§ 1001 and/or 1621, and/or 42 U.S.C. § 3795a), and also may subject me and the applicant entity to civil penalties and administrative remedies for false claims or otherwise (including under 31 U.S.C. §§ 3729-3730 and §§ 3801-3812). I also acknowledge that OJP awards, including certifications provided in connection with such awards, are subject to review by USDOJ, including by OJP and by the USDOJ Office of the Inspector General.

Signature of Chief Legal Officer of the Jurisdiction	Printed Name of Chief Legal Officer
Date of Certification	Title of Chief Legal Officer of the Jurisdiction
Name of Applicant Government Entity (<i>i.e.</i> , the applic	ant to the FY 2017 OJP Program identified below)

FY 2017 OJP Program: Byrne Justice Assistance Grant ("JAG") Program

Project: County of Oakland - Sheriff's Office Pontiac Law Enforcement Contract

The Oakland County Sheriff's Office through a contract with the City of Pontiac started providing Police Duties on August 1, 2011. The current contract runs through December 31, 2018. The City of Pontiac has seen a reduction in the violent crime rate, which is contributed to the funding of this grant.

Our request will provide overtime funding to proactively deter and aggressively investigate violent criminal activity in the City of Pontiac, which will in return continue to lower violent crime. The Sub-station commander will deploy detectives, conduct special investigations, and use directed patrol units to proactively deter violent criminal behavior and aggressively investigate violent criminal activity within the City of Pontiac. Deployment of personnel and target areas will be based upon intelligence lead and data driven deployment decisions to impact violent crime areas within the City.

The goal and objective of this project is to lower the violent criminal activity, to improve the quality of life in the community, and to remove the criminal elements in the City of Pontiac.

Project: County of Oakland - Sheriff's Office Pontiac Law Enforcement Contract

Description of Item	Unit Cost	Quantity	Total
Overtime (Deputy II)	\$67.58	1430.36 hours	\$96,664

SHERIFF PONTIAC PROJECT TOTAL PONTIAC CITY BUDGET

\$96,664 \$96,664



MEMORANDUM

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DATE: September 25, 2017

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Nevrus P. Nazarko, CPA, Finance Director

Through: Jane Bais DiSessa-Deputy Mayor

SUBJECT: Special Assessment Memo

As part of our year-end financial statement preparation and audit, we closely examined our outstanding receivables list. The list identified all unpaid invoices for grass cutting and litter cleanup. According to the Code of Ordinances section 98-21, these charges, if remain unpaid, shall be assessed against the lot as a single lot assessment. Section 98-22 requires that if an invoice is unpaid, parcel, owner, and amount shall be reported to City Council. Section 98-23, states after review by the City Council, the Council may act to have the unpaid invoices spread on the tax rolls.

We have established a cutoff date of September 30, 2017 as a final date that these assessments should be paid before we, upon council authorization, place them on the Winter 2017 tax rolls for collection. Current record shows a balance to be levied of approximately \$40,000, however that may change until September 30.

At the regular council meeting on October 5, 2017, I will present the accompanying resolution to authorize the levy along with a detailed record and summary of the outstanding receivable.