

**TOWN OF PRESCOTT VALLEY
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION
Date: September 8, 2011**

SUBJECT: Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program FY2011 Local Solicitation

SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT: Police Department

PREPARED BY: Candace Manibusan, Administrative Services Supervisor

AGENDA LOCATION: Comments/Communications , Consent , Work/Study ,
New Business , Public Hearing , Second Reading

ATTACHMENTS: a) Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program FY2011 Local Solicitation Grant Award

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND: The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs' (OJP) Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) is currently seeking applications for funding from the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) FY 20101 Local Program. The Byrne/JAG Program is the primary provider of federal criminal justice funding to state and local jurisdictions. JAG funds support all components of the criminal justice system, from multi-jurisdictional drug and gang task forces to crime prevention and domestic violence programs, courts, corrections, treatment and justice information sharing initiatives. JAG funded projects may address crime through the provision of services directly to individuals and/or communities and by improving the effectiveness and efficiency of criminal justice systems, processes and procedures.

Applicants for the Byrne JAG Local Program are limited to units of local government appearing on the FY2011 JAG Allocations List. The procedure for allocating JAG funds is a formula based on population and violent crime statistics, in combination with a minimum allocation to ensure each state and territory receives an appropriate share. Funds are then distributed 60/40 between state and local recipients.

Through this program, the Town of Prescott Valley was allocated and eligible to apply for \$16,641 in JAG funds. These funds may be used for local initiatives, technical assistance, training, personnel, equipment, supplies, contractual support, and criminal justice information systems that will improve or enhance such areas as law enforcement programs; prosecution and court program; prevention and education programs; corrections and community corrections programs; drug treatment and enforcement programs; planning, evaluation and technology improvement programs; and crime victim and witness programs.

In July, the Prescott Valley Police Department submitted a proposal for a fleet revitalization project which would allow the department to replace vehicles no longer safe for operations. On August 19th, the department received notification of an approved grant award in the amount of \$16,641 to support these efforts. The department will use the awarded funds to purchase and equip one vehicle for general police operations.

OPTIONS ANALYSIS: The Town Council may either accept the grant award from the Department of Justice and approve the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program FY2011 Local Solicitation Contract # 2011-DJ-BX-3470, in addition to authorizing the purchase of the vehicle in the amount of \$16,641, or decline the grant award.

ACTION OPTION: Motion to approve the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program FY2011 Local Solicitation Contract # 2011-DJ-BX-3470 accepting the grant award and authorizing the purchase of the vehicle, **OR** Motion not to accept the grant award. **VOTE.**

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends approving the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program FY2011 Local Solicitation Contract # 2011-DJ-BX-3470 accepting the grant award, and authorizing the purchase of the vehicle.

FISCAL ANALYSIS: There is no fiscal impact to the Town. This grant is fully reimbursable through the Department of Justice Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program in the amount of \$16,641.

REVIEWED BY:

Management Services Director _____

Town Clerk _____

Town Attorney _____

Town Manager _____

COUNCIL ACTION:

Approved Denied Tabled/Deferred Assigned to _____