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To: Criminal Justice Services Board Grants Committee

From: Tracy Matthews, Manager, Division of Public Safety Training and Virginia Center for School and Campus Safety

Date: May 29, 2025

Re: Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) - DCJS Critical Incident Preparedness and Response Training Program

Name of Person Presenting: Tracy Matthews

The purpose of Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) funds is to allow states and units of local government, including tribes, to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime based on their own state and local needs and conditions. As the State Administrative Agency (SAA), DCJS has the responsibility of managing the coordination and distribution of JAG funds in a manner that supports and improves the overall criminal justice system of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

The current award will provide funding and support personnel for critical training initiatives for law enforcement throughout the Commonwealth. The DCJS Critical Incident Preparedness and Response Training Program, formerly the Active Attack Program, trains citizens to become “immediate responders” during critical incidents and first responders to support communities during and after active attack incidents.

Grant Application Review	
# Grants Submitted	1
# Grants Denied	0
# Grants Recommended	1

DCJS Recommendations	
Amount Requested	\$869,000
Amount Denied	\$0
Amount Reduced	\$0
Total Amount Recommended	\$869,000

No applications were denied.

In summary, DCJS staff request approval to fund one (1) grant application for the 12-month period (7/1/2025-6/30/2026) totaling \$869,000, using federal JAG funding allocated for this purpose.

Byrne/JAG -- Grants Committee Recommendations (Cover Report)

BJAG DCJS Critical Incident Preparedness and Response Training Program

29-May-2025

Application Number	Applicant	Organization Type	Requested		Requested Total	Recommended		Recommended Total
			DCJS Funds	Local		DCJS Funds	Local	
554367	Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services	State Government	\$869,000.00	\$0.00	\$869,000.00	\$869,000.00	\$0.00	\$869,000.00
Grant Program Total:			\$869,000.00	\$0.00	\$869,000.00	\$869,000.00	\$0.00	\$869,000.00

Byrne JAG -- Grants Committee Recommendations (Summary Report)

BJAG DCJS Critical Incident Preparedness and Response Training Program

29-May-2025

Application Number	Applicant	Organization Type	Type of Application	Requested Funding	Recommended Funding	Application Criteria	Grant Project Description
554367	Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services	State Government	New	\$869,000.00	\$869,000.00	Meets Criteria	To maintain personnel and fund consultant training contractors certified to teach courses for the Critical Incident Preparedness and Response Training Section.