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To: Criminal Justice Services Board Grants Subcommittee

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

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Re: Bryne/ JAG Regional Criminal Justice Training Academy Equipment Grant Program

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.

This formula-based funding opportunity was open to Regional Criminal Justice Training Academies only. Many factors were utilized, including a base allocation, financial stress, and number of officers trained to determine the maximum amount of the award for each agency.

For this funding opportunity, DCJS received and reviewed applications from ten (10) of the eleven (11) eligible regional academies. Staff is requesting the approval to award \$854,880.00 in federal JAG funds to 10 Regional Criminal Justice Training Academies.

No applications were denied for this JAG funding opportunity. One eligible academy did not apply for internal reasons.

In summary, DCJS staff request approval to fund ten (10) projects for the 9-month period (4.1.2024-12.31.2024), totaling \$854,880.00, using federal JAG funds allocated for this purpose.

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

Byrne/JAG Regional CJTA Equipment and Training

3/7/2024

Application #	Location	Jurisdiction	Requested DCJS Funds	Requested Local	Requested Total	Recommended DCJS Funds	Recommended Local	Recommended Total
522142	Cardinal CJA	Other	\$ 101,000.00	\$ 33,667.00	\$ 134,667.00	\$ 101,000.00	\$ 33,667.00	\$ 134,667.00
522146	Central Shenandoah CJA	Other	\$ 89,976.33	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 119,976.33	\$ 89,976.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 119,976.00
524867	Central Virginia CJA	Other	\$ 114,000.00	\$ 38,000.00	\$ 152,000.00	\$ 114,000.00	\$ 38,000.00	\$ 152,000.00
524403	Crater CJA	Other	\$ 106,131.10	\$ 26,494.88	\$ 132,625.98	\$ 106,000.00	\$ 35,333.00	\$ 141,333.00
523842	Hampton Roads CJA	Other	\$ 92,974.70	\$ 31,000.00	\$ 123,974.70	\$ 92,975.00	\$ 31,000.00	\$ 123,975.00
524659	Northern Virginia CJA	Other	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 32,000.00	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 32,000.00
522386	Piedmont Regional CJA	Other	\$ 85,690.94	\$ 28,592.47	\$ 114,283.41	\$ 85,691.00	\$ 28,592.00	\$ 114,283.00
523819	Rappahannock Regional Criminal Justice Academy	Other	\$ 88,000.00	\$ 29,333.00	\$ 117,333.00	\$ 88,000.00	\$ 29,333.00	\$ 117,333.00
523124	Skyline Regional CJA	Other	\$ 51,238.00	\$ 17,080.00	\$ 68,318.00	\$ 51,238.00	\$ 17,080.00	\$ 68,318.00
524903	Southwest Virginia CJA	Other	\$ 102,000.00	\$ 34,000.00	\$ 136,000.00	\$ 102,000.00	\$ 34,000.00	\$ 136,000.00
Program Category SubTotal:			\$ 855,011.07	\$ 276,167.35	\$ 1,131,178.42	\$ 854,880.00	\$ 285,005.00	\$ 1,139,885.00
Grant Program Grand Total:			\$ 855,011.07	\$ 276,167.35	\$ 1,131,178.42	\$ 854,880.00	\$ 285,005.00	\$ 1,139,885.00

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

Byrne/JAG Regional CJTA Equipment and Training

3/7/2024

Grant Application Number	Grant Program	Applicant Location	Implementing Agency	Recommended Funding	Final Approval Notes	Internal Status	Applicants Brief Project Overview	Type of Application
522142	Byrne Justice Assistance Grant	Cardinal CJIA	Other	\$ 134,667.00		Meets criteria with conditions	Our academy will use this grant to enhance the quality of training for our member agency personnel by hiring one additional part time staff member that will help the academy become CALEA accredited. This will make for a better learning experience for both our instructors and students. It will further enhance the professionalism of our academy. We will further use this grant to scan and digitize decades of old class files.	New
522146	Byrne Justice Assistance Grant	Central Shenandoah CJIA	Other	\$ 119,976.00		Meets criteria with conditions	The Academy is seeking a grant for Training and Equipment funding to assist in technology and equipment purchases to update our current systems and to enhance learning to all officers and those that utilize the Academy for Training.	New
524867	Byrne Justice Assistance Grant	Central Virginia CJIA	Other	\$ 152,000.00		Meets criteria with conditions	CVCJA will use the JAG funds to enhance our capability to increase our active shooter training program , defensive tactics and use of force training, bring the academy's intranet wiring capability into current standards, update the staff/employee workstations and enhance our on-line training programs with AI capabilities. In addition, the academy will contract for a human tracking course with a national certified tracker as well as contract Dolan Consulting Group to deliver first line supervisor and risk management courses. The academy's intranet wiring was installed in 1995 when the academy moved to its current location. These funds will allow the academy to install the newest CAT 6 ethernet wiring that will help protect the servers.	New
524403	Byrne Justice Assistance Grant	Crater CJIA	Other	\$ 141,333.00	Recommendation to reduce award to \$106,000.00 with match \$35,333.00	Meets criteria with conditions	CCJTA will be purchasing equipment to enhance and improve the quality of training opportunities we are able to provide to our agencies. This project and the funding requested will provide equipment for a variety of basic and in-service classes that we may not otherwise be able to purchase without this funding.	New
523842	Byrne Justice Assistance Grant	Hampton Roads CJIA	Other	\$ 123,975.00		Meets criteria with conditions	The Hampton Roads Criminal Justice Training Academy will use this grant to purchase physical training equipment to enhance First responder trauma training, trauma kits, Red Cross training kits and instructors kits, Structure assembly training kits, Room clearing training furniture, Jail cell structure training kit, PA voice system for firearms training. Purchase of desktop computers and software. To hire (2) positions a Testing Specialist and a Curriculum Specialist.	New
524659	Byrne Justice Assistance Grant	Northern Virginia CJIA	City Government	\$ 32,000.00		Meets criteria with conditions	The NVCJTA wishes to improve its wellness, fitness, human performance and control tactics programs using technology. This grant will be used to mount monitors with dedicated laptops in three areas used for fitness and control tactics. This will bring internet and classroom technology into dynamic training areas. Video displays, virtual instruction, online teaching, internet-based scenarios and other technology will modernize these venues for basic training and in-service programs. For the increase of online training, the NVCJTA identified a need improve its network cable management. This grant will be used to source, label, route and replace network cables. This will reduce maintenance costs and improve system performance and safety.	New
522386	Byrne Justice Assistance Grant	Piedmont Regional CJIA	City Government	\$ 114,283.00		Meets criteria with conditions	The academy recently was awarded a similar grant to use for: training, testing, equipment upgrades, etc. However, it wasn't enough money at the time to complete the original goal. Now, we did meet our documented goals and objectives at that time period. We can, however, benefit from more funding. This project will supplement our original plans and complete the entire project. The original plans were to get new equipment in place for: teaching/instructors, computers for all students to use, desks that needed to be replaced, server upgrades, etc. This new opportunity will now allow for: a new server that needs upgraded by April 2024, additional computers that will replace laptops, and additional desks/electrical for new computers.	New

523819	Byrne Justice Assistance Grant	Rappahannock Reg CJA	Other	\$ 117,333.00		Meets criteria with conditions	This project will help fund equipment and training needs of the Rappahannock Regional Criminal Justice Academy in order to increase the training capacity and efficiency of the academy in order to provide researched-based and relevant 21st Century Policing training to the 2,200 sworn members of the academy.	New
523124	Byrne Justice Assistance Grant	Skyline Regional CJA	Other	\$ 68,318.00		Meets criteria with conditions	The Skyline Regional Criminal Justice Academy is in need of updating equipment to improve the quality of training in the classroom, hands on practicality, and physical training.	New
524903	Byrne Justice Assistance Grant	Southwest Virginia CJA	Other	\$ 136,000.00		Meets criteria with conditions	To provide safe, effective, and realistic training for our member agencies in the areas of firearms, defensive tactics, force on force training and driver training. Also, to enhance classroom training with the purchase of new audio-visual equipment.	New