


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	23-481	Meeting:	October 23, 2023
	Agenda Item:	48	Roll Call:	23-1446
	Submitted by:	Dana Wingert, Chief of Police		

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval to accept the 2023 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) award in the amount of \$213,158. This grant is a formula grant with performance period of October 1, 2022, through September 30, 2026. No matching funds are required.

SYNOPSIS:

The Des Moines Police Department recommends the acceptance of the 2023 Edward Byrne Memorial JAG award in the amount of \$213,158. This award is the result of a joint application submitted by the Police Department and Polk County to purchase law enforcement equipment. The City of Des Moines will serve as the financial agent for this grant with a portion of the funds to be sub-awarded to Polk County per the signed Memorandum of Understanding authorized by the City Council during the August 21, 2023, meeting.

The Police Department is allocated \$198,216 to be used to purchase Officer safety equipment, canine vehicle safety insert, crime detection cameras, hostage negotiation phone and evidence collection equipment. The Polk County Sheriff's Office is allocated \$14,450 and will purchase upgraded radar equipment to support traffic enforcement within the community.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$213,158

City of Des Moines Police Department \$198,216

Polk County Sheriff's Office \$ 14,942

Funding Source: Adopted Operating Budget, Fiscal Year (FY) 2023, Page 200 – Special Revenues

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The Des Moines Police Department submits an annual application for the Edward Byrne Memorial JAG. The funding is intended to assist law enforcement agencies with equipment needs that are beyond their annual budget. The application includes the City of Des Moines as the primary applicant and the fiscal manager with the Polk County Sheriff's Office as sub-grantee. The 2023 funding will support the purchase of evidence collection and officer safety equipment. The Polk County Sheriff's Office will purchase stationary radar systems with upgraded capabilities.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: August 21, 2023

Roll Call Number: [23-1178](#)

Action: [Submittal](#) of a joint application with Polk County for funding from the Fiscal Year 2023 Edward Byrne Memorial JAG available through the Bureau of Justice Assistance and acceptance of a Memorandum of Understanding with Polk County. ([Council Communication No. 23-396](#)) Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 6-1. Absent: Sheumaker.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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