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## Justice Assistance Grant

### Program Strategy and Purposes

Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) funds can be used for state and local initiatives, technical assistance, training, personnel, equipment, supplies, contractual support, public information, and information systems for criminal justice for any one or more of the following purpose areas:

- 1) Law enforcement programs
- 2) Prosecution and court programs
- 3) Prevention and education programs
- 4) Corrections and community corrections programs
- 5) Drug treatment programs
- 6) Planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs.
- 7) Crime victim and witness programs

Each of the old Byrne and LLEBG purpose areas is related to one of the above purpose areas. Any law enforcement or justice initiative previously eligible for funding under Byrne or LLEBG is eligible for JAG funding.

### Allocation Information

The JAG formula includes a state allocation consisting of a minimum base allocation with the remaining amount determined on population and Part 1 violent crime statistics and a direct allocation to units of local government. Once the state allocation is calculated, 60% of the funding is awarded to the state and 40% to eligible units of local government. Units of local government receiving awards more than \$10,000 will receive the funds directly from U. S. Department of Justice (USDJ). Awards to units of local government of \$10,000 or less will be passed through the state. State allocations also have a variable pass through requirement to locals, calculated by the Bureau of Justice Statistics from each state's crime expenditures.

FDLE has designated the 60% funding awarded to the State of Florida as JAG Countywide. The portion of the 40% funding, designated for units of local government receiving awards of \$10,000 or less, passed through the State of Florida will be referred to as the Florida JAG Direct. It is possible for a unit of government to receive funding under both JAG Countywide and JAG Direct.

### Eligible Applicants

Units of local government are eligible to receive subgrants from FDLE. "Units of local government" means any city, county, town, township, borough, parish, village, or other general-purpose political subdivision of a State and includes Native American Tribes that perform law enforcement functions as determined by the Secretary of the Interior.

### Program Development Process - JAG Countywide

Each county is allocated a sum of money for use by all local governments within the county. This amount is determined through a funding algorithm established in administrative rule.

Chapter 11D-9.005, Florida Administrative Code, requires that units of government in each county reach consensus concerning the expenditure of these funds, including the projects to be implemented and the agency responsible for such implementation.

Maximum coordination is required to meet this program requirement and the Department requests the county board of commissioners to coordinate requests for all local governments within the county. The Chairman, Board of County Commissioners, in each county so notified is requested to return to the Department a statement of certification indicating the county's willingness to serve as the coordinating unit of government for at least 51 percent of the units of government which also represents at least 51 percent of the population located in said county. This certification must be returned within 30 days from the date of receipt of notification. In the event the county declines to serve in this capacity, the Department will request the governing body of each municipality in the county, in descending order of population, to serve as the coordinating unit of government.

### Application Requirements - JAG Countywide

Once the Certificate of Participation form designating the coordinator for your county is received, the Office of Criminal Justice Grants will send this individual further information regarding the application process. Applications must be accompanied by letters of approval representing agreement among at least 51 percent of all units of local government representing at least 51 percent of the county population as to the allocation of dollars to each project in the county.

### Program Development Process - Florida JAG Direct

Eligible units of government will receive an announcement of funding availability including application information and funding amount.

### Match Requirements

There is no match requirement under the guidelines of the new JAG program.

### JAG Countywide Funding Period

Awards are made for a period not to exceed twelve months beginning on October 1 and typically ending on September 30. A program may be funded indefinitely if funding is available, but a new application must be submitted each year.

### JAG Direct Funding Period

Awards are made for a period not to exceed five months beginning on February 1 and typically ending on June 30.

### Reporting Requirements

Applicants will be required to report the following to FDLE:

- Programmatic Performance Reports to be prepared in SIMON
- Project Expenditure reports to be prepared in SIMON.
- Audit or [Certification of Audit Exemption Form](#), if applicable.

### Distribution of Funds

Grant funds are distributed on a reimbursement basis. Requests for reimbursement can be submitted on a monthly or a quarterly basis. A cash advance for up to 25% of the grant award is possible if the subgrantee document a hardship.

### Subgrant Information Management ON-line (SIMON)

Applications and reports are submitted via FDLE's on-line grants management system, SIMON, at <http://simon.fdle.state.fl.us>. A detailed user manual and video user guides are available in SIMON. Please read the manual before you get started and consult it before calling for assistance.

### Vendor Payment History