



City of Boynton Beach Agenda Item Request Form

Meeting Date: 04/21/2026

Proposed Resolution No. R26-061- Approve and authorize the Police Department to apply for the FY 2025 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) in the amount of \$28,243.00, and if awarded, authorize the City to accept the Grant and authorize the Mayor to sign all documents associated with the grant, subject to review by the City Attorney's office.

Requested Action: Staff recommends approval of Proposed Resolution No. R26-061.

Explanation of Request:

The Boynton Beach Police Department is applying for the FY 2025 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program. If awarded, the funding will support the continuation of Year 2 of the department's Guardian and AXON AIR programs.

The department continues to face increasing demands for rapid response, enhanced situational awareness, and real-time intelligence during critical incidents, including missing persons cases, fleeing suspects, large-scale public events, and emergency response situations. Without advanced aerial and monitoring technologies, officers may be required to enter high-risk environments with limited visibility, increasing potential safety risks and reducing operational effectiveness.

Additionally, the growing reliance on digital evidence in criminal investigations requires secure, scalable, and compliant storage solutions. This grant will allow the department to sustain and expand its use of these technologies, ensuring continuity of operations and alignment with modern policing practices.

How will this affect city programs or services?

This grant will support the continued enhancement of public safety services without impacting the City's General Fund. If awarded, the funding will enable the department to maintain and expand its use of aerial drone technology and real-time intelligence platforms.

These tools will improve the department's ability to respond to incidents efficiently and safely, enhance situational awareness, and support operations such as search and rescue, disaster response, perimeter security, and crime scene documentation. Additionally, expanded digital evidence storage capabilities will improve investigative processes and coordination with prosecutors.

Overall, applying for this grant supports the City's commitment to innovative, technology-driven policing and improved services.

Account Line Item and Description: Grant funding, if awarded, will be used to support Year 2 continuation of Guardian and AXON AIR programs. Account number to be created once awarded.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no immediate fiscal impact associated with this request, as the department is applying for grant funding under the JAG 2025 program.

If awarded, the total estimated grant funding of \$28,243.00 will be used to procure three Guardian RF Scout subscriptions and AXON Air R10 units, enhancing operational capabilities and effectiveness.

Attachments:

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