

Memorandum

REPORT TO: City Commission

FROM: Dana McNeil, Detective Captain
Jim Veltkamp, Chief of Police
Jeff Mihelich, City Manger

SUBJECT: Authorize the City Manager to Accept the Police Department Byrne Memorial Justice Grant (JAG) Award

MEETING DATE: October 17, 2023

AGENDA ITEM TYPE: Grant

RECOMMENDATION: Authorize the City Manager to accept the Byrne Memorial Justice Grant (JAG) that was awarded to the Bozeman Police Department to support technology improvements in the police department computer forensics lab.

STRATEGIC PLAN: 3.1 Public Safety: Support high quality public safety programs, emergency preparedness, facilities, and leadership.

BACKGROUND: The Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program is a leading source of federal justice funding to state and local jurisdictions. The JAG Program provides local governments with critical funding necessary to support a range of program areas including law enforcement, crime prevention, technology improvement, and similar items. The intention is to acquire grant funds to help fund technology improvements to the recently staffed computer forensics lab, as well as continue to fund efforts related to human trafficking and child exploitation. The BPD was awarded \$23,675.

UNRESOLVED ISSUES: None

ALTERNATIVES: As suggested by the City Commission

FISCAL EFFECTS: This grant will assist the police department in funding the new computer forensics lab located in the BPSC, which would otherwise necessitate the use of City general funds.

Attachments:

[Department of Justice Award Notification.pdf](#)

[Byrne Memorial Justice Grant Supporting Narrative.pdf](#)

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