REQUEST FOR

PUBLIC COMMENT

**Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program**

**FY 2019 Local Solicitation**

**Public comment is invited on the Boise Police Department’s application for this grant. You may submit comments in writing by September 21, 2019 to**

**Cmdr. Alison Tate**

**Boise Police Department**

**333 N. Mark Stall Place**

**Boise ID 83704**

**or on a sheet provided at the end of this document.**

**Project Abstract**

**Applicant:** Ada County Sheriff’s Office and Boise City Police Department

**Project:** Ada County Sheriff’s Office and Boise City Police Department Equipment and Technology Enhancement and Systems Improvement Projects

**Goals:** To administer public safety and criminal justice programs in Idaho in accordance with the JAG purpose areas.

**Strategies:** During the FY 2019 local solicitation Ada County and Boise City have been allocated a joint application award amount of $150,480. Both agencies have chosen to apply the funds to incorporate underutilized law enforcement technologies and replace outdated equipment in their operations. Technology and equipment can aid job performance and improve safety for officers and provide enhanced safety and service to the public. The Ada County Sheriff’s Office would like to purchase a staffing/scheduling software package to assist commissioned officers with staffing shifts and posts within the county. By having a better method to fill shifts and call in overtime, we expect to be able to reduce overtime costs and increase officer safety by ensuring our resources are well allocated.

The Boise City Police Department would like to purchase : (1) purchase Scout home alarm systems for installation at the home of victims of crime, including domestic violence and stalking, where the victim and/or family members are in legitimate fear, greatly enhancing the department’s ability to protect members of the public and to apprehend criminals; and (2) purchase advanced handheld radios to equip new patrol officers with radios that allow all-band access and clear communication in the field.

 A description of how each agency will utilize their funding is provided in the Program Narrative.

**Deliverables:** Annual reports, performance measures, and financial status reports.

**Coordination:** The Ada County Sheriff’s Office and the Boise City Police Department will work together to meet the law enforcement needs of each agency.

**Project Identifiers:** ViolenceDomestic-Violence

 Surveillance

 Equipment-General

 Communications

**Review Narrative**

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant FY 2019 local solicitation allocates a joint application award of $150,480 to Ada County and Boise City. Ada County and Boise City are in the process of approving an Interlocal Agreement for this award with an allocation of $37,704 to Ada County Sheriff’s Office and $112,776 to the Boise Police Department.

The Board of Ada County Commissioners has approved moving forward with the application as shown by the “Written Overview of Grant” document attached separately.

Due to the timing of the release of the local solicitation time did not permit either the Board of Ada County Commissioners or the Boise City Council to fulfill the 30-day governing body review requirement. The City of Boise acknowledges that a withholding of funds special condition will be applied to the award restricting draw-down until the 30-day governing body review requirement has been satisfied. The application has not yet been made available for public review/comment. The Boise City Police Department anticipates making its Fiscal Year 2019 JAG application available to the Boise City Council at the next available regular meeting, with public notification by website posting of the Fiscal Year 2019 JAG application on the Boise City Council Agenda for the public meeting and as specified in the portion of the Chief Executive Certification regarding opportunity to comment on the application.

**Program and Budget Narrative**

During the FY 2019 local solicitation Ada County and Boise City have been allocated a joint application award amount of $150,480. Previous grant funding; FY 2009 JAG Recovery, FY 2009 JAG, FY 2010 JAG, FY 2011 JAG, FY 2012 JAG, FY 2013 JAG, FY 2014 JAG, FY 2015 JAG, FY 2016 JAG, FY2017 JAG and FY2018 JAG.

The Boise Police Department has chosen to apply FY 2019 funds to: (1) purchase Scout home alarm systems for installation at the home of victims of crime, including domestic violence and stalking, where the victim and/or family members are in legitimate fear, greatly enhancing the department’s ability to protect members of the public and to apprehend criminals; and (2) purchase advanced handheld radios to equip new patrol officers with radios that allow all-band access and clear communication in the field.

The Ada County Sheriff’s Office is seeking to purchase Marine Patrol radios. They would replace current radios with radios better suited for the rural area they patrol. The current radios are at end of life and we cannot get parts for them.

Ada County Sheriff’s Office and Boise City Police Department have identified individual needs and a more detailed description of how each agency will utilize their funding is as follows:

# **ADA COUNTY SHERIFF’ S OFFICE (1 Project @ $37,704)**

# **Project: Marine Patrol radios**

# **Project Identifiers: Communications**

**Project Total Allocation: $37,704**

The Ada County Sheriff’s Office is seeking to purchase Marine Patrol radios. They would replace current radios with radios better suited for the rural area they patrol. The current radios are at end of life and we cannot get parts for them. Our normal patrol radio is the APX6000, which doesn't have the proper bands for being used in the rural area they work within. The Motorola APX 8000 and 8500 handheld and mobile radios have all the bands we need, and Motorola radios have historically been durable and long-lasting. The costs for these radios are based on our most recent quotes for the radios, and are purchased through our state contract with Motorola.

# **BOISE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT (Two Projects $110,000)**

# **Project 1: Scout home alarm systems for deployment in the field**

# **Project Identifiers: ViolenceDomestic Violence, Surveillance**

**Project Total Allocation: $20,000**

The Boise Police Department wishes to purchase Scout home alarm systems for installation at the home of victims of crime, including domestic violence and stalking, where the victim and/or family members are in legitimate fear, greatly enhancing the department’s ability to protect members of the public and to apprehend criminals

# **Project 2: Advanced handheld radios**

**Project Identifiers: Equipment-General, Communications**

**Project Total Allocation: $90,000**

The Boise Police Department wishes to purchase advanced handheld radios to equip new patrol officers with radios that allow all-band access and clear communication in the field. We need the updated radios for the officers we are adding next year.

**Disclosure of Pending Applications**

The Ada County Sheriff’s Office and Boise City Police Department do not have pending applications submitted within the last 12 months for federally funded assistance that include requests for funding to support the same projects being proposed under this solicitation and will cover the identical cost items outlined in the budget narrative and worksheet in the application under this solicitation.

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