



# Albemarle County

## Legislation Text

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**AGENDA DATE:** 11/7/2018

**TITLE:**

Authorizing County's Acceptance of an Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Program Grant

**SUBJECT/PROPOSAL/REQUEST:** To authorize the Board Chair to execute Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program Certifications and Assurances.

**ITEM TYPE:** Consent Action Item

**STAFF CONTACT(S):** Richardson, Walker, Kamptner, Herrick, Lantz, Allshouse, L., Bittle

**PRESENTER (S):** Holly Bittle

**LEGAL REVIEW:** Yes

**REVIEWED BY:** Jeffrey B. Richardson

**BACKGROUND:** For the past five years, the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) has provided grant funds through the Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program that support enhanced community policing projects and activities. As of July 26, 2018, DOJ now considers the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to be the "Chief Executive of the Applicant Unit of Local Government." This is a change from previous years when the County Executive's signature was sufficient for these grant-related documents.

The County applied for the FY 18 Edward Byrne JAG Program grant on August 21, 2018 and an award was made to the County on October 1, 2018. To comply with the DOJ, the Chair of the Board of Supervisors is required to sign the "Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government" to accept the grant award.

**STRATEGIC PLAN:** Quality Government Operations Ensure County government's capacity to provide high quality service that achieves community priorities.

**DISCUSSION:** The funding from these grants will provide the Albemarle County Police Department's Community Support Services Division additional resources to develop, often working directly with citizens, overtime projects and activities involving problem solving, crime prevention, community relationship building and safety enhancement.

**BUDGET IMPACT:** Signature on the FY 18 Certifications and Assurances for the Edward Byrne JAG Program Local Solicitations will result in acceptance of \$12,388.00 in grant funds for its Community Policing Program.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the Board adopt the attached Resolution (Attachment B) authorizing the Chair to sign Certifications and Assurances for the Edward Byrne JAG Program after the County Attorney's approval.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment A: FY2018 Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program Certifications and Assurances  
Attachment B: Resolution