



Albemarle County

Legislation Text

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AGENDA DATE: 9/18/2019

TITLE:

Authorizing Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Program Grants

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, Kamptner, Herrick, Baumgartner, Lantz, Allshouse, L., Bittle

PRESENTER (S): N/A

LEGAL REVIEW: Yes

REVIEWED BY: Jeffrey B. Richardson

BACKGROUND: For the past six years, the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) has provided grant funds to the County through the Edward Byrne JAG Program to support enhanced community policing projects and activities. The County applied for the FY2019 grant on August 23, 2019. As in previous years to comply with the requirements of 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 a future 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.

Although the Board adopted a Resolution on November 7, 2018 authorizing the Board Chair and the County Executive to execute Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Program Grant documents generally, one of the conditions of this FY 19 Grant is that the Board certify that the County's grant application was submitted to the Board for its review not less than 30 days before the Certification. If the County is awarded this grant, the Certification will be endorsed on or after October 18, 2019.

BUDGET IMPACT: Signature on the FY 19 Certifications and Assurances for the Edward Byrne JAG Program Local Solicitations will result in acceptance of any future FY 19 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 FY 19 Edward Byrne JAG Program after the County Attorney's approval.

ATTACHMENTS:

A: FY2019 Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program Certifications and Assurances

B: Resolution