

# MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 8(G)(2)

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**TO:** Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** January 21, 2026

**FROM:** Geri Bonzon-Keenan  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Resolution retroactively authorizing the County Mayor to apply for and accept grant funds from the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) FY 2024 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program, in an amount of \$383,023.00, and execute the award agreement; and authorizing the County Mayor to (1) receive and expend awarded DOJ JAG funds, (2) execute amendments to the award agreement and any other contracts, agreements, and documents as may be required by the DOJ JAG Program guidelines, and to exercise the provisions set forth in the award agreement and any amendments thereto, provided that such amendments are consistent with the purposes described herein for the FY 2024 JAG Program grant funds, (3) execute the certifications and assurances required by the FY 2024 DOJ JAG program grant agreement, and (4) apply for and receive any additional funds that may become available pursuant to the FY 2024 DOJ JAG Program and execute any agreements or other documents that may be necessary for the receipt and expenditure of such funding

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The accompanying resolution was prepared by the Office of Management and Budget and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Juan Carlos Bermudez.

  
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Geri Bonzon-Keenan  
County Attorney

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**Date:** January 21, 2026

**To:** Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**From:** Daniella Levine Cava *Daniella Levine Cava*  
Mayor

**Subject:** Resolution Retroactively Authorizing the Application and Receipt of Grant Funds from the FY 2024 U.S. Department of Justice's Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program

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### **Executive Summary**

This item seeks retroactive approval from the Board of County Commissioners (Board) to apply for and accept the FY 2024 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program funding from the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) in the amount of \$383,023, for a four-year performance period running from October 1, 2023, to September 30, 2027. The grant funding supported the Miami-Dade Police Department (MDPD), and now the Miami-Dade Sheriff Office (MDSO), by enhancing its de-escalation training and community initiatives, the purchasing of upgraded virtual reality de-escalation training equipment, expanding connections to mental health services through its Threat Management (TMU) and Crisis Response Units (CRU), and hiring additional civilian personnel.

This item also seeks authorization for the County Mayor or the County Mayor's designee to receive and expend the above-mentioned grant funds; execute the required "Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government," attached to the accompanying resolution as Exhibit A; execute any necessary agreements for the projects; and, provided that certain conditions are satisfied: (1) apply for, receive, and expend additional future funds that may become available pursuant to DOJ's JAG Program, (2) execute any necessary contracts or agreements, and (3) exercise the provisions contained therein. Additionally, the Certifications and Assurances require that the grant application be reviewed by the Board and made available for public comment. As such, a complete copy of the grant application is attached to the accompanying resolution as Exhibit B.

### **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Board approve the accompanying resolution, which:

- (1) Retroactively authorizes the County Mayor or the County Mayor designee's actions in applying for and accepting grant funds from the FY 2024 JAG Program in the amount of up to \$383,023 and requiring no match funding, over a four-year performance period;
- (2) Retroactively authorizes the County Mayor or the County Mayor designee's actions in executing any necessary contracts or agreements;
- (3) Authorizes the County Mayor or the County Mayor's designee to receive and expend grant funds and to execute the Certifications and Assurances form; and
- (4) Authorizes County Mayor or the County Mayor's designee to apply for and receive any additional funds that may become available pursuant to FY 2024 DOJ's JAG Program, and to execute any agreements or other documents that may be necessary for the receipt and expenditure of such funding.

**Scope**

The scope is countywide in nature as projects are located throughout Miami-Dade County.

**Fiscal Impact/Funding Source**

This grant does not require any match or in-kind funds from Miami-Dade County.

**Track Record/Monitor**

To ensure compliance with grant requirements, MDSO will assume programmatic implementation of the grant activities, and grant award funds will be fiscally and administratively managed by the County's Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in coordination with MDSO's Management and Budget Office.

**Delegation of Authority**

The County Mayor or County Mayor's designee is delegated the authority to: (1) retroactively apply for, receive, and expend grant funds and execute agreements and other documents with DOJ; (2) apply for, receive and expend additional funds that may become available for projects pursuant to DOJ's JAG Program, and execute any contracts with non-County parties necessary for the DOJ JAG Program on behalf of the County; and (3) execute the DOJ JAG Certifications and Assurances form not less than 30 days from the Board's review of the grant application.

**Background**

On December 5, 2024, the County, through MDPD, received notice of award from the JAG Program from the DOJ Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA). The County Mayor executed the award on behalf of the County and MDPD on December 27, 2024, as reflected in Exhibit B to the resolution. On January 7, 2025, MDPD officially transitioned to MDSO, an independent constitutional office of the State of Florida. Since the DOJ JAG program's project period of October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2027, overlaps with this transition, the County's OMB, in coordination with MDSO, will jointly manage the grant award, consistent with guidance provided by the DOJ and the Interlocal Agreement between MDSO and the County. The County and MDSO regularly apply for and receive DOJ JAG funding.

The awarded FY 2024 DOJ JAG Program funds will support several de-escalation training and community initiatives. First, MDSO will purchase upgraded virtual reality de-escalation training equipment to enhance officers' ability to manage stressful encounters. Simulator-based training provides opportunities for "stress inoculation," enabling officers to practice decision-making under pressure, apply appropriate force options, and refine de-escalation skills in realistic scenarios. The interactive coursework is designed to teach, train, and test officers, drawing upon curriculum developed with input from the U.S. Customs and Border Patrol, the Attorney General's Office, and other law enforcement agencies. Second, the grant will expand the operations of MDSO's TMU and CRU. The TMU will increase its investigative capacity, conduct community outreach, and provide education on Risk Protection Orders (RPOs). The CRU will extend its service hours and geographic coverage, allowing for expanded responses to calls for service, including engagement with individuals experiencing homelessness and connecting them to appropriate services. Finally, the JAG Program funds will support the hiring of a part-time accountant to assist with grant-related administrative functions and ensure compliance with federal reporting and fiscal accountability requirements.



Carladenise Edwards  
Chief Administrative Officer



**MEMORANDUM**  
(Revised)

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and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** January 21, 2026

**FROM:**   
Gen Bonzon-Keenan  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Agenda Item No. 8(G)(2)

Please note any items checked.

- \_\_\_\_\_ **“3-Day Rule” for committees applicable if raised**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Budget required**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Statement of fiscal impact required**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Statement of social equity required**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor’s report for public hearing**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **No committee review**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3’s present \_\_\_\_, 2/3 membership \_\_\_\_, 3/5’s \_\_\_\_, unanimous \_\_\_\_, majority plus one \_\_\_\_, CDMP 7 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) \_\_\_\_, CDMP 2/3 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3) (h) or (4)(c) \_\_\_\_, CDMP 9 vote requirement per 2-116.1(4)(c) (2) \_\_\_\_)** to approve
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required**

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor  
Veto \_\_\_\_\_  
Override \_\_\_\_\_

Agenda Item No. 8(G)(2)  
1-21-26

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (DOJ), OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS (OJP), BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE (BJA) FY 2024 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) PROGRAM, IN AN AMOUNT OF \$383,023.00, AND EXECUTE THE AWARD AGREEMENT; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO (1) RECEIVE AND EXPEND AWARDED DOJ JAG FUNDS, (2) EXECUTE AMENDMENTS TO THE AWARD AGREEMENT AND ANY OTHER CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, AND DOCUMENTS AS MAY BE REQUIRED BY THE DOJ JAG PROGRAM GUIDELINES, AND TO EXERCISE THE PROVISIONS SET FORTH IN THE AWARD AGREEMENT AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO, PROVIDED THAT SUCH AMENDMENTS ARE CONSISTENT WITH THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED HEREIN FOR THE FY 2024 JAG PROGRAM GRANT FUNDS, (3) EXECUTE THE CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES REQUIRED BY THE FY 2024 DOJ JAG PROGRAM GRANT AGREEMENT, AND (4) APPLY FOR AND RECEIVE ANY ADDITIONAL FUNDS THAT MAY BECOME AVAILABLE PURSUANT TO THE FY 2024 DOJ JAG PROGRAM AND EXECUTE ANY AGREEMENTS OR OTHER DOCUMENTS THAT MAY BE NECESSARY FOR THE RECEIPT AND EXPENDITURE OF SUCH FUNDING

**WHEREAS**, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**, that:

**Section 1.** The matters contained in the foregoing recitals and the accompanying County Mayor's memorandum are incorporated as if fully set forth herein.

**Section 2.** This Board retroactively approves and authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee's actions in applying for and accepting grant funds in the amount of \$383,023.00 and requiring no match funding, over a four-year performance period beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2027, from the United States Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), FY 2024 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program, and retroactively authorizes the County Mayor's or County Mayor's designee's execution of the grant agreement in the form attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit B.

**Section 3.** This Board approves and authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to (1) receive and expend grant funds in the amount of \$383,023.00 from the FY 2024 JAG Program for the purposes described in the MDPD's FY 2024 JAG Program application, attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit B; (2) execute any amendments to the grant agreement and other contracts, agreements, or documents as may be required by the DOJ JAG Program guidelines, after review and approval by the County Attorney's Office for form and legal sufficiency, provided that the documents do not alter the purpose of the projects as outlined in the grant agreement, or commit any additional match funds, and do not place the County in a less favorable position than as set forth herein, either monetarily or otherwise; (3) execute the Certifications and Assurances form, attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit A; and (4) apply for, receive, and expend additional future funds that may become available under the FY 2024 DOJ JAG Program as well as to execute any necessary agreements and documents for receipt and expenditure of any such funds.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner ,  
who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner  
and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Anthony Rodriguez, Chairman	
Kionne L. McGhee, Vice Chairman	
Marleine Bastien	Juan Carlos Bermudez
Sen. René García	Oliver G. Gilbert, III
Roberto J. Gonzalez	Keon Hardemon
Danielle Cohen Higgins	Vicki L. Lopez
Natalie Milian Orbis	Raquel A. Regalado
Micky Steinberg	

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2026. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
BY ITS BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

JUAN FERNANDEZ-BARQUIN, CLERK

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.



Anita Viciano Zapata

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS**

**Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program FY 2024 Local Solicitation**

**Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government**

On behalf of the applicant unit of local government named below, in support of that locality's application for an award under the FY 2024 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant ("JAG") Program, and further to 34 U.S.C. § 10153(a), I certify to the Office of Justice Programs ("OJP"), U.S. Department of Justice ("USDOJ"), that all of the following are true and correct:

1. I am the chief executive of the applicant unit of local government named below, and I have the authority to make the following representations on my own behalf as chief executive and on behalf of the applicant unit of local government. I understand that these representations will be relied upon as material in any OJP decision to make an award, under the application described above, to the applicant unit of local government.
2. I certify that no federal funds made available by the award (if any) that OJP makes based on the application described above will be used to supplant local funds but will be used to increase the amounts of such funds that would, in the absence of federal funds, be made available for law enforcement activities.
3. I assure that the application described above (and any amendment to that application) was submitted for review to the governing body of the unit of local government (*e.g.*, city council or county commission), or to an organization designated by that governing body, not less than 30 days before the date of this certification.
4. I assure that, before the date of this certification— (a) the application described above (and any amendment to that application) was made public; and (b) an opportunity to comment on that application (or amendment) was provided to citizens and to neighborhood or community-based organizations, to the extent applicable law or established procedure made such an opportunity available.
5. I assure that, for each fiscal year of the award (if any) that OJP makes based on the application described above, the applicant unit of local government will maintain and report such data, records, and information (programmatic and financial), as OJP may reasonably require.
6. I have carefully reviewed 34 U.S.C. § 10153(a)(5), and, with respect to the programs to be funded by the award (if any), I hereby make the certification required by section 10153(a)(5), as to each of the items specified therein.
7. If the applicant named below is not the unit of local government itself, I certify that it is an instrumentality of the unit of local government and is approved to serve as the applicant and recipient of FY 2024 JAG funding on behalf of the unit of local government.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Chief Executive of the Applicant Unit of  
Local Government

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Certification

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Chief Executive

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Title of Chief Executive

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Applicant Unit of Local Government

# Memorandum



**Date:** October 25, 2024

**To:** Daniella Levine Cava, Mayor  
Miami-Dade County

**Attn:** James Reyes  
Chief of Public Safety

**From:**   
Stephanie V. Daniels, Director  
Miami-Dade Police Department

**Subject:** Application for Fiscal Year 2024 U.S. Department of Justice Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program Local Solicitation

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Attached are the required forms for the grant application to the U.S. Department of Justice Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program Local Solicitation for review and approval. The fiscal year 2024 allocation is \$383,023. There is no match requirement. Due to time constraints in meeting the deadline, the application was submitted online on October 22, 2024, and we respectfully request retroactive approval of the required grant documents.

Upon authorization, please e-mail Special Projects Administrator I Dorcas Perez, of our Police Legal Bureau, at [dmperez@mdpdp.com](mailto:dmperez@mdpdp.com), so our Department can arrange to pick up these documents and complete their final processing.

SVD/dp  
Attachment

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**OPPORTUNITY & PACKAGE DETAILS:**

Opportunity Number:	O-BJA-2024-172239
Opportunity Title:	BJA FY 24 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program- Local Solicitation
Opportunity Package ID:	PKG00287897
CFDA Number:	16.738
CFDA Description:	Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program
Competition ID:	C-BJA-2024-00092-PROD
Competition Title:	Category 2- Applicants with eligible allocation amounts of \$25,000 or more
Opening Date:	09/04/2024
Closing Date:	10/16/2024
Agency:	Bureau of Justice Assistance
Contact Information:	Erich Dietrich

**APPLICANT & WORKSPACE DETAILS:**

Workspace ID:	WS01426753
Application Filing Name:	Miami-Dade Police Department JAG Local Program
UEI:	VHCBJ9FMG7F7
Organization:	MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
Form Name:	Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424)
Form Version:	4.0
Requirement:	Mandatory
Download Date/Time:	Oct 07, 2024 03:47:46 PM EDT
Form State:	No Errors

**FORM ACTIONS:**

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424								
<b>* 1. Type of Submission:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Preapplication <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application <input type="checkbox"/> Changed/Corrected Application			<b>* 2. Type of Application:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision			<b>* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s):</b> _____ <b>* Other (Specify):</b> _____		
<b>* 3. Date Received:</b> Completed by Grants.gov upon submission.			<b>4. Applicant Identifier:</b> _____					
<b>5a. Federal Entity Identifier:</b> _____			<b>5b. Federal Award Identifier:</b> _____					
<b>State Use Only:</b>								
<b>6. Date Received by State:</b> _____			<b>7. State Application Identifier:</b> _____					
<b>8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:</b>								
<b>* a. Legal Name:</b> Miami-Dade County								
<b>* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN):</b> 59-6000573				<b>* c. UEI:</b> VHCBJ9FMG7F7				
<b>d. Address:</b>								
<b>* Street1:</b> 9105 N.W. 25th Street								
<b>Street2:</b> _____								
<b>* City:</b> Doral								
<b>County/Parish:</b> Miami-Dade County								
<b>* State:</b> FL: Florida								
<b>Province:</b> _____								
<b>* Country:</b> USA: UNITED STATES								
<b>* Zip/ Postal Code:</b> 33172-1500								
<b>e. Organizational Unit:</b>								
<b>Department Name:</b> Miami-Dade Police Department				<b>Division Name:</b> _____				
<b>f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:</b>								
<b>Prefix:</b> _____		<b>* First Name:</b> Dorcas						
<b>Middle Name:</b> _____								
<b>* Last Name:</b> Perez								
<b>Suffix:</b> _____								
<b>Title:</b> Grants Administrator								
<b>Organizational Affiliation:</b> Miami-Dade Police Department								
<b>* Telephone Number:</b> 305-216-4098				<b>Fax Number:</b> _____				
<b>* Email:</b> dmperrez@mdpd.com								

**Application for Federal Assistance SF-424**

**\* 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:**

B: County Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

\* Other (specify):

**\* 10. Name of Federal Agency:**

Bureau of Justice Assistance

**11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:**

16.738

CFDA Title:

Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program

**\* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:**

O-BJA-2024-172239

\* Title:

BJA FY 24 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program- Local Solicitation

**13. Competition Identification Number:**

C-BJA-2024-00092-PROD

Title:

Category 2- Applicants with eligible allocation amounts of \$25,000 or more

**14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):**

Areas Affected by Project.pdf

Add Attachment

Delete Attachment

View Attachment

**\* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:**

FY24 Miami-Dade Police Department Crime-Fighting Toolkit

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

Add Attachments

Delete Attachments

View Attachments

**Application for Federal Assistance SF-424**

**16. Congressional Districts Of:**  
\* a. Applicant  \* b. Program/Project

Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.

**17. Proposed Project:**  
\* a. Start Date:  \* b. End Date:

**18. Estimated Funding (\$):**

* a. Federal	<input type="text" value="383,023.00"/>
* b. Applicant	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* c. State	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* d. Local	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* e. Other	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* f. Program Income	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* g. TOTAL	<input type="text" value="383,023.00"/>

**\* 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?**  
 a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on .  
 b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.  
 c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.

**\* 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)**  
 Yes  No  
If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

**21. \*By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications\*\* and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances\*\* and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 18, Section 1001)**  
 \*\* I AGREE  
\*\* The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.

**Authorized Representative:**  
Prefix:  \* First Name:   
Middle Name:   
\* Last Name:   
Suffix:   
\* Title:   
\* Telephone Number:  Fax Number:   
\* Email:

\* Signature of Authorized Representative:  \* Date Signed:

for



JD Patterson  
Chief of Preparedness and Forensics

10/25/2024

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UEI:	VHCBJ9FMG7F7
Organization:	MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
Form Name:	Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (SF-LLL)
Form Version:	2.0
Requirement:	Mandatory
Download Date/Time:	Oct 07, 2024 03:48:36 PM EDT
Form State:	No Errors

**FORM ACTIONS:**

# DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C.1352

OMB Number: 4040-0013  
Expiration Date: 02/28/2025

<b>1. * Type of Federal Action:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> a. contract <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b. grant <input type="checkbox"/> c. cooperative agreement <input type="checkbox"/> d. loan <input type="checkbox"/> e. loan guarantee <input type="checkbox"/> f. loan insurance	<b>2. * Status of Federal Action:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> a. bid/offer/application <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b. initial award <input type="checkbox"/> c. post-award	<b>3. * Report Type:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a. initial filing <input type="checkbox"/> b. material change
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**4. Name and Address of Reporting Entity:**

Prime     SubAwardee

\* Name:

\* Street 1:     Street 2:

\* City:     State:     Zip:

Congressional District, if known:

**5. If Reporting Entity in No.4 is Subawardee, Enter Name and Address of Prime:**

<b>6. * Federal Department/Agency:</b> <input type="text" value="US Department of Justice"/>	<b>7. * Federal Program Name/Description:</b> <input type="text" value="Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program"/>  CFDA Number, if applicable: <input type="text" value="16.738"/>
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<b>8. Federal Action Number, if known:</b> <input type="text"/>	<b>9. Award Amount, if known:</b> \$ <input type="text"/>
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**10. a. Name and Address of Lobbying Registrant:**

Prefix:     \* First Name:     Middle Name:

\* Last Name:     Suffix:

\* Street 1:     Street 2:

\* City:     State:     Zip:

**b. Individual Performing Services** (including address if different from No. 10a)

Prefix:     \* First Name:     Middle Name:

\* Last Name:     Suffix:

\* Street 1:     Street 2:

\* City:     State:     Zip:

**11.** Information requested through this form is authorized by title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. This disclosure of lobbying activities is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed by the tier above when the transaction was made or entered into. This disclosure is required pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352. This information will be reported to the Congress semi-annually and will be available for public inspection. Any person who fails to file the required disclosure shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

\* Signature:        JD Patterson

\* Name of Official: Prefix:     \* First Name:     Middle Name:

\* Last Name:     Suffix:

Title:         Telephone No.:     Date:

# DOJ 2024 GRANTS STANDARD DISCLOSURES & ASSURANCES

## APPLICANT DISCLOSURE OF DUPLICATION IN COST ITEMS

No. Miami-Dade County does not have (and is not proposed as a subrecipient under) any pending applications submitted within the last 12 months for federally funded grants or cooperative agreements (or for subawards under federal grants or cooperative agreements) that request funding to support the same project being proposed in this application to OJP and that would cover any identical cost items outlined in the budget submitted as part of this application.

Yes. My organization has pending applications submitted within the last 12 months for federally funded grants or subgrants (including cooperative agreements) that include requests for funding to support the same project 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. JD Patterson, Chief of Preparedness and Forensics



10/25/2024

SIGNATURE

DATE

for

Daniella Levine Cava, Mayor  
Miami-Dade County

# DOJ 2024 GRANTS STANDARD DISCLOSURES & ASSURANCES

## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE CERTIFIED STANDARD ASSURANCES

OMB APPROVAL NUMBER 1121-0140 EXPIRES 05/31/2019

On behalf of the Applicant, and in support of this application for a grant or cooperative agreement, I certify under penalty of perjury to the U.S. Department of Justice ("Department"), that all of the following are true and correct:

- (1) I have the authority to make the following representations on behalf of myself and the Applicant. I understand that these representations will be relied upon as material in any Department decision to make an award to the Applicant based on its application.
- (2) I certify that the Applicant has the legal authority to apply for the federal assistance sought by the application, and that it has the institutional, managerial, and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay any required non-federal share of project costs) to plan, manage, and complete the project described in the application properly.
- (3) I assure that, throughout the period of performance for the award (if any) made by the Department based on the application--
  - a. the Applicant will comply with all award requirements and all federal statutes and regulations applicable to the award;
  - b. the Applicant will require all subrecipients to comply with all applicable award requirements and all applicable federal statutes and regulations; and
  - c. the Applicant will maintain safeguards to address and prevent any organizational conflict of interest, and also to prohibit employees from using their positions in any manner that poses, or appears to pose, a personal or financial conflict of interest.
- (4) The Applicant understands that the federal statutes and regulations applicable to the award (if any) made by the Department based on the application specifically include statutes and regulations pertaining to civil rights and nondiscrimination, and, in addition--
  - a. the Applicant understands that the applicable statutes pertaining to civil rights will include section 601 of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000d); section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. § 794); section 901 of the Education Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. § 1681); and section 303 of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. § 6102);
  - b. the Applicant understands that the applicable statutes pertaining to nondiscrimination may include section 809(c) of Title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10228(c)); section 1407(e) of the Victims of Crime Act of 1984 (34 U.S.C. § 20110(e)); section 299A(b) of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 2002 (34 U.S.C. § 11182(b)); and that the grant condition set out at section

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40002(b)(13) of the Violence Against Women Act (34 U.S.C. § 12291(b)(13)), which will apply to all awards made by the Office on Violence Against Women, also may apply to an award made otherwise;

- c. the Applicant understands that it must require any subrecipient to comply with all such applicable statutes (and associated regulations); and
- d. on behalf of the Applicant, I make the specific assurances set out in 28 C.F.R. §§ 42.105 and 42.204.

(5) The Applicant also understands that (in addition to any applicable program-specific regulations and to applicable federal regulations that pertain to civil rights and nondiscrimination) the federal regulations applicable to the award (if any) made by the Department based on the application may include, but are not limited to, 2 C.F.R. Part 2800 (the DOJ "Part 200 Uniform Requirements") and 28 C.F.R. Parts 22 (confidentiality - research and statistical information), 23 (criminal intelligence systems), 38 (regarding faith-based or religious organizations participating in federal financial assistance programs), and 46 (human subjects protection).

(6) I assure that the Applicant will assist the Department as necessary (and will require subrecipients and contractors to assist as necessary) with the Department's compliance with section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (54 U.S.C. § 306108), the Archeological and Historical Preservation Act of 1974 (54 U.S.C. §§ 312501-312508), and the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. §§ 4321-4335), and 28 C.F.R. Parts 61 (NEPA) and 63 (floodplains and wetlands).

(7) I assure that the Applicant will give the Department and the Government Accountability Office, through any authorized representative, access to, and opportunity to examine, all paper or electronic records related to the award (if any) made by the Department based on the application.

(8) If this application is for an award from the National Institute of Justice or the Bureau of Justice Statistics pursuant to which award funds may be made available (whether by the award directly or by any subaward at any tier) to an institution of higher education (as defined at 34 U.S.C. § 10251(a)(17)), I assure that, if any award funds actually are made available to such an institution, the Applicant will require that, throughout the period of performance--

- a. each such institution comply with any requirements that are imposed on it by the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States; and
- b. subject to par. a, each such institution comply with its own representations, if any, concerning academic freedom, freedom of inquiry and debate, research independence, and research integrity, at the institution, that are included in promotional materials, in official statements, in formal policies, in applications for grants (including this award

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application), for accreditation, or for licensing, or in submissions relating to such grants, accreditation, or licensing, or that otherwise are made or disseminated to students, to faculty, or to the general public.

(9) I assure that, if the Applicant is a governmental entity, with respect to the award (if any) made by the Department based on the application--

- a. it will comply with the requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisitions Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§ 4601-4655), which govern the treatment of persons displaced as a result of federal and federally-assisted programs; and
- b. it will comply with requirements of 5 U.S.C. §§ 1501-1508 and 7324-7328, which limit certain political activities of State or local government employees whose principal employment is in connection with an activity financed in whole or in part by federal assistance.

(10) If the Applicant applies for and receives an award from the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office), I assure that as required by 34 U.S.C. § 10382(c)(11), it will, to the extent practicable and consistent with applicable law--including, but not limited to, the Indian Self- Determination and Education Assistance Act--seek, recruit, and hire qualified members of racial and ethnic minority groups and qualified women in order to further effective law enforcement by increasing their ranks within the sworn positions, as provided under 34 U.S.C. § 10382(c)(11).

(11) If the Applicant applies for and receives a DOJ award under the STOP School Violence Act program, I assure as required by 34 U.S.C. § 10552(a)(3), that it will maintain and report such data, records, and information (programmatic and financial) as DOJ may reasonably require.

I acknowledge that a materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement (or concealment or omission of a material fact) in this certification, or in the application that it supports, may be the subject of criminal prosecution (including under 18 U.S.C. §§ 1001 and/or 1621, and/or 34 U.S.C. §§ 10271-10273), and also may subject me and the Applicant to civil penalties and administrative remedies for false claims or otherwise (including under 31 U.S.C. §§ 3729-3730 and 3801-3812). I also acknowledge that the Department's awards, including certifications provided in connection with such awards, are subject to review by the Department, including by its Office of the Inspector General.

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JD Patterson, Chief of Preparedness and Forensics

10/25/2024

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for

Daniella Levine Cava, Mayor

Miami-Dade County

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## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE CERTIFICATIONS REGARDING LOBBYING; DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS; DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENTS; LAW ENFORCEMENT AND COMMUNITY POLICING

Applicants should refer to the regulations and other requirements cited below to determine the certification to which they are required to attest. Applicants should also review the instructions for certification included in the regulations or other cited requirements before completing this form. The certifications shall be treated as a material representation of fact upon which reliance will be placed when the U.S. Department of Justice (“Department”) determines to award the covered transaction, grant, or cooperative agreement.

### 1. LOBBYING

As required by 31 U.S.C. § 1352, as implemented by 28 C.F.R. Part 69, the Applicant certifies and assures (to the extent applicable) the following:

(a) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the Applicant, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the making of any Federal grant, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, or the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal grant or cooperative agreement;

(b) If the Applicant’s request for Federal funds is in excess of \$100,000, and any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with this Federal grant or cooperative agreement, the Applicant shall complete and submit Standard Form - LLL, “Disclosure of Lobbying Activities” in accordance with its (and any DOJ awarding agency’s) instructions; and

(c) The Applicant shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subgrants and procurement contracts (and their subcontracts) funded with Federal award funds and shall ensure that any certifications or lobbying disclosures required of recipients of such subgrants and procurement contracts (or their subcontractors) are made and filed in accordance with 31 U.S.C. § 1352.

### 2. DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS

A. Pursuant to Department regulations on nonprocurement debarment and suspension implemented at 2 C.F.R. Part 2867, and to other related requirements, the Applicant certifies,

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with respect to prospective participants in a primary tier “covered transaction,” as defined at 2 C.F.R. § 2867.20(a), that neither it nor any of its principals--

(a) is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, sentenced to a denial of Federal benefits by a State or Federal court, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;

(b) has within a three-year period preceding this application been convicted of a felony criminal violation under any Federal law, or been convicted or had a civil judgment rendered against it for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, tribal, or local) transaction or private agreement or transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion or receiving stolen property, making false claims, or obstruction of justice, or commission of any offense indicating a lack of business integrity or business honesty that seriously and directly affects its (or its principals’) present responsibility;

(c) is presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State, tribal, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (b) of this certification; and/or

(d) has within a three-year period preceding this application had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, tribal, or local) terminated for cause or default.

B. Where the Applicant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, it shall attach an explanation to this application. Where the Applicant or any of its principals was convicted, within a three-year period preceding this application, of a felony criminal violation under any Federal law, the Applicant also must disclose such felony criminal conviction in writing to the Department (for OJP Applicants, to OJP at [Ojpcompliancereporting@usdoj.gov](mailto:Ojpcompliancereporting@usdoj.gov); for OVW Applicants, to OVW at [OVW.GFMD@usdoj.gov](mailto:OVW.GFMD@usdoj.gov); or for COPS Applicants, to COPS at [AskCOPSRC@usdoj.gov](mailto:AskCOPSRC@usdoj.gov)), unless such disclosure has already been made.

### 3. FEDERAL TAXES

A. If the Applicant is a corporation, it certifies either that (1) the corporation has no unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability, or (2) the corporation has provided written notice of such an unpaid tax liability (or liabilities) to the Department (for OJP Applicants, to OJP at [Ojpcompliancereporting@usdoj.gov](mailto:Ojpcompliancereporting@usdoj.gov); for OVW Applicants, to OVW at [OVW.GFMD@usdoj.gov](mailto:OVW.GFMD@usdoj.gov); or for COPS Applicants, to COPS at [AskCOPSRC@usdoj.gov](mailto:AskCOPSRC@usdoj.gov)).

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B. Where the Applicant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, it shall attach an explanation to this application.

## 4. DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE (GRANTEES OTHER THAN INDIVIDUALS)

As required by the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, as implemented at 28 C.F.R. Part 83, Subpart F, for grantees, as defined at 28 C.F.R. §§ 83.620 and 83.650:

A. The Applicant certifies and assures that it will, or will continue to, provide a drug-free workplace by--

(a) Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in its workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;

(b) Establishing an on-going drug-free awareness program to inform employees about--

(1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;

(2) The Applicant's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;

(3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and

(4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;

(c) Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the award be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (a);

(d) Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (a) that, as a condition of employment under the award, the employee will--

(1) Abide by the terms of the statement; and

(2) Notify the employer in writing of the employee's conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;

(e) Notifying the Department, in writing, within 10 calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title of any such convicted employee to the Department, as follows:

For COPS award recipients - COPS Office, 145 N Street, NE, Washington, DC, 20530;

For OJP and OWW award recipients - U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, ATTN: Control Desk, 810 7th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20531.

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Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected award;

(f) Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2), with respect to any employee who is so convicted:

(1) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or

(2) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency; and

(g) Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f).

## 5. LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY CERTIFICATION REQUIRED UNDER DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE DISCRETIONARY GRANT PROGRAMS (“SAFE POLICING CERTIFICATION”)

If this application is for a discretionary award pursuant to which award funds may be made available (whether by the award directly or by any subaward at any tier) to a State, local, college, or university law enforcement agency, the Applicant certifies that any such law enforcement agency to which funds will be made available has been certified by an approved independent credentialing body or has started the certification process. To become certified, a law enforcement agency must meet two mandatory conditions:

(a) the agency’s use of force policies adhere to all applicable federal, State, and local laws; and

(b) the agency’s use of force policies prohibit chokeholds except in situations where use of deadly force is allowed by law.

For detailed information on this certification requirement, see <https://cops.usdoj.gov/SafePolicingEO>.

The Applicant acknowledges that compliance with this safe policing certification requirement does not ensure compliance with federal, state, or local law, and that such certification shall not constitute a defense in any federal lawsuit. Nothing in the safe policing certification process or safe policing requirement is intended to be (or may be) used by third parties to create liability by or against the United States or any of its officials, officers, agents or employees under any federal law. Neither the safe policing certification process nor the safe policing certification requirement is intended to (or does) confer any right on any third-person or entity seeking relief against the United States or any officer or employee thereof. No person or entity is intended to be (or is) a third-party beneficiary of the safe policing certification process, or, with respect to the safe policing certification requirement, such a beneficiary for purposes of any civil, criminal,

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or administrative action.

## 6. COORDINATION REQUIRED UNDER PUBLIC SAFETY AND COMMUNITY POLICING PROGRAMS

As required by the Public Safety Partnership and Community Policing Act of 1994, at 34 U.S.C. § 10382(c)(5), if this application is for a COPS award, the Applicant certifies that there has been appropriate coordination with all agencies that may be affected by its award. Affected agencies may include, among others, Offices of the United States Attorneys; State, local, or tribal prosecutors; or correctional agencies.

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## DECLARATION AND CERTIFICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AS TO THIS APPLICATION SUBMISSION

By [taking this action], I --

1. Declare the following to the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), under penalty of perjury:  
(1) I have authority to make this declaration and certification on behalf of the applicant;  
(2) I have conducted or there was conducted (including by the applicant's legal counsel as appropriate, and made available to me) a diligent review of all requirements pertinent to and all matters encompassed by this declaration and certification.
2. Certify to DOJ, under penalty of perjury, on behalf of myself and the applicant, to the best of my knowledge and belief, that the following are true as of the date of this application submission: (1) I have reviewed this application and all supporting materials submitted in connection therewith (including anything submitted in support of this application by any person on behalf of the applicant before or at the time of the application submission and any materials that accompany this declaration and certification); (2) The information in this application and in all supporting materials is accurate, true, and complete information as of the date of this request; and (3) I have the authority to submit this application on behalf of the applicant.
3. Declare the following to DOJ, under penalty of perjury, on behalf of myself and the applicant: (1) I understand that, in taking (or not taking) any action pursuant to this declaration and certification, DOJ will rely upon this declaration and certification as a material representation; and (2) I understand that any materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent information or statement in this declaration and certification (or concealment or omission of a material fact as to either) may be the subject of criminal prosecution (including under 18 U.S.C. §§ 1001 and/or 1621, and/or 34 U.S.C. §§ 10271-10273), and also may subject me and the applicant to civil penalties and administrative remedies under the federal False Claims Act (including under 31 U.S.C. §§ 3729-3730 and/or §§ 3801-3812) or otherwise.

Please Acknowledge

I agree with the above statements.



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**PROGRAM NARRATIVE**

**Category 2**

**a. Description of the Issue**

Miami-Dade County (MDC), a local unit of government, is applying for its full allocation of \$383,023.00 from the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program. MDC will use the funding to support a law enforcement program, **2024 Crime-Fighting Toolkit: *Compassionate Policing***, for the Miami-Dade Police Department (MDPD), the largest police department in the southeastern U.S., serving the local jurisdiction of MDC. In the coming fiscal year, the challenges imposed in MDC due to expanded public safety needs has resulted in budget restraints impacting MDPD operations and policing efforts. To adapt to the challenges, MDPD is continuously looking at every aspect of the organization to increase efficiency. **MDPD’s strategy and funding priority for FY24 JAG funds will be to continue to refine a robust crime-fighting toolkit with an emphasis on reducing crime through investments in de-escalation training and mental health and wellness services, with a goal of greater compassion between police officers and community members. Without wavering from the primary goal of enforcing the law, this three-fold program will improve public safety by (1) upgrading Virtual Reality De-escalation Training equipment, (2) connecting the community to mental health services through the Threat Management and Crisis Response Units, and (3) employing additional civilian law enforcement personnel. These funds will improve both public and officer safety, use limited resources more effectively and efficiently, and leverage results from previous Byrne JAG Program investments. Without funding from the Byrne JAG Program, the 2024 Crime-Fighting Toolkit: *Compassionate Policing* will remain unfunded.**

The MDPD mission statement emphasizes the public safety priority of the law

enforcement agency and its commitment to the community. The resources provided by the Byrne JAG Program are vital to the Department, providing for important investments to support this proposed **Crime-Fighting Toolkit: *Compassionate Policing***.

The timeline is consistent with all Federal regulations and will be completed within four years. The following is a description of the proposed programs:

**Virtual Reality De-escalation Training**

MDPD proposes to improve de-escalation training using an upgraded simulator, a common component in use-of-force training. De-escalation is challenging, especially when under stress and confronted with rapidly unfolding events. Simulator training can provide practice in “stress inoculation” that allows officers to function more effectively and respond confidently and prepared for different scenarios rather than impulsively reacting.

While law enforcement should attempt to de-escalate where appropriate, it’s equally important that officers have the skill and training to immediately escalate their actions, including the use of deadly force, when warranted. Officers must be able to recognize quickly what force options are appropriate for different circumstances. Sadly, officers have lost their lives when they hesitated or engaging in activities like reporting a situation via radio rather than actively engaging.

**MDPD Mental Health and Wellness Services**

MDPD proposes grant funds be allocated to additional operations for two units: Threat Management Unit (TMU) and Crisis Response Unit (CRU).

TMU performs: case management for individuals detained under the Florida Mental Health Act and identified as a high utilizer or who have displayed violent tendencies; threat assessment and case management involving individuals identified as a person of concern with a believed mental health condition, who have engaged in or are suspected of noncriminal behavior that could

lead to a targeted act of violence to others; and provide follow-up threat assessment and case management for individuals who have been served with a Risk Protection Order and believed to have a mental health condition.

MDPD, in collaboration with community partners, established the CRU to provide specialized assistance for citizens experiencing a mental health crisis. The following are the types of calls for service to which the CRU responds:

- Baker Act
- Attempted suicides
- An individual in crisis or possibly suffering from mental illness
- Persons who are mentally challenged of any age
- Missing persons who are emotionally or mentally challenged of any age

In addition to responding to calls for service, the CRU officers maintain strong partnerships with mental health provider agencies as well as individuals and family members affected by mental illness. Licensed clinicians are assigned to the CRU to respond to mental health calls, when feasible; provide consultation and training to the CRU; and monitor consumer care/case management. The goal of the unit is to de-escalate, assess, and divert those in crisis to behavioral health services in a safe, humane, and compassionate manner.

### **Additional Personnel**

MDPD proposes the addition of an Accountant at 50% time in the Fiscal Administration Bureau to assist with grant-related functions necessary for grant management and compliance.

#### **b. Project Design and Implementation**

The Byrne JAG Program priorities recognize the economic realities and the resulting significant pressures on local criminal justice systems. MDPD's strategic planning process guides

its priorities and funding strategy. The local community is engaged throughout the process through community advisory boards and opportunities for public comment at MDC Board of County Commissioners meetings. MDPD proposes to use grant funds **2024 Crime-Fighting Toolkit: *Compassionate Policing*** to improve police operations with investments in virtual reality de-escalation training for officers, threat management and crisis response units' enhancements to community mental health programs, and additional civilian grant management personnel. This will continue the practice of MDPD to use Byrne JAG funds strategically in consideration of law enforcement priorities for public and officer safety. The Department recognizes investments in community-focused solutions for the criminal justice system can significantly enhance the overall efficiency of MDPD.

*Consistent with the BJA Areas of Emphasis*, the MDPD is committed to promoting public trust between communities and criminal justice agencies and reducing violent crime. The MDPD Edward Byrne JAG submission presents initiatives which will advance policing operations via significant investments to public safety while securing resources for MDPD which remain unfunded. As the 21st century continues, law enforcement must rise to meet new and ever-evolving challenges. By investing in training and operations that promote more compassionate policing, MDPD plans to support the community with proactive policing innovations. The proposed project for the Byrne JAG Program will provide support for crucial public safety improvements which would otherwise not be supported due to the lack of local funds.

For the Virtual Reality De-escalation Training, VR police training simulators help prepare law enforcement officers for real-life incidents so they and the communities they serve can remain safe. As law enforcement progressed, it became clear de-escalation cannot be taught in a classroom; it requires training methodology with practical applications. Use of integrated and

immersive simulation training builds on experience and ingrains the ability to fluidly adapt because officers can experience the ramifications of their actions. A real-world judgmental use-of-force training simulator has immersive and intense scenarios that provide an in-depth look into human performance. The demands on law enforcement to make critical decisions in tense, uncertain and rapidly evolving situations require that the human performance aspect of cognitive neuroscience and human physiology are considered as part of the police training methodology. Training scenarios are filmed in superior quality and contain the full fidelity of real actors—thus eliminating ‘video game’ training. Extensive branching options further increase the realism by allowing scenarios to unfold based on the instructor, trainee, or team’s decisions.

The requested law enforcement training simulator is equipped with Virtual Interactive Coursework Training Academy—which teaches, trains, tests and sustains law enforcement officers. The program’s certified curriculum and interactive coursework are developed exclusively with nationally-recognized partnerships for maximum training both inside and out of the police simulator. Constant improvements, evolution and intensity of new training products and tech stem from feedback and involvement, including U.S. Customs and Border Patrol, Attorney General’s Office, and international law enforcement agencies. The goal is to help officers return home safely every day. Intense, immersive training solutions will keep law enforcement officers safe, prepared, and armed with excelled skills. Attention to detail, found in every true-to-life scenario, curriculum, recoil kit and electronic device train officers to the highest level of preparedness.

For MDPD’s Mental Health and Wellness Services, funds will be allocated to additional operations for two units: Threat Management Unit (TMU) and Crisis Response Unit (CRU).

TMU would be able to further investigations, conduct community outreach to educate the public about Risk Protection Orders (RPO). TMU, the investigative branch of Community Mental

Health Services, is responsible for conducting daily mitigation by reviewing all Florida Mental Health Act Offense Incident Reports involving firearms from the previous day and determine if follow-up investigations are necessary. TMU detectives investigate individuals believed to pose a threat to themselves or others. Investigations include cases involving mentions of mass casualty events, workplace violence, or premeditated violence - monitoring potential mass shooters is crucial for public safety. TMU detects and assesses warning signs (e.g., social media posts, radicalization, or access to firearms) and gathers intelligence, assesses threat levels, and intervenes if necessary (intervention, counseling, or legal action). Additional monitoring will help prevent tragedies and offers opportunities for mental health support and rehabilitation. Additionally, detectives ensure RPOs are filed when individuals meet specific threat criteria. TMU tasks involve gathering necessary information for RPOs and conducting monthly follow-up contacts with respondents. The RPO workload can lead to backlogs in the HU (High-Risk Individuals) list, especially when RPOs are frequently renewed. It is critical to ensure that individuals in need of services receive them in a timely manner, preventing incidents and reducing risks.

CRU would be able to expand the coverage times and boundaries to allow the specialized officers to respond to calls for service beyond the unit's current operating hours and offer response to calls for service to additional districts. They could conduct community outreach details to engage with homeless individuals throughout Miami-Dade County and attempt to link them with mental health services, as well as conduct community outreach details to engage with mental health facilities, assisted living facilities, and other locations where individuals are receiving mental health services to help strengthen our bonds with the administration and staff.

Additional personnel hired will be dedicated to grant compliance functions.

The estimated timeline for this project is no more than three years for completion. In

consideration of MDPD's responsibilities for public safety to this community, statutory mandates, obligations for safety to its sworn officers, and continuing budget challenges, the Byrne JAG Program will provide essential support for the **2024 Crime-Fighting Toolkit: *Compassionate Policing***. It is imperative that the Byrne JAG Program funding opportunity be used for effective policing strategies which will continue to enhance the public safety of MDC communities and safe and effective policing by the officers of the MDPD.

c. Capabilities and Competencies

The applicant, MDPD, is the appointed sheriff's department of MDC and the largest local police department in the southeastern U.S. with more than 3,000 sworn personnel, protecting 2.8 million residents and 14 million annual visitors, responsible for public safety in a large metropolitan community. MDPD is committed to strong community partnerships with a wide range of community groups (private and public) which enhance MDPD's public safety efforts.

MDPD is known nationally as a leader in law enforcement, and is accredited by two agencies, the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA), Inc., on the national level, and the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation, Inc., on a statewide level. The Department's focus on accreditation clearly documents its commitment to the highest level of public safety and service.

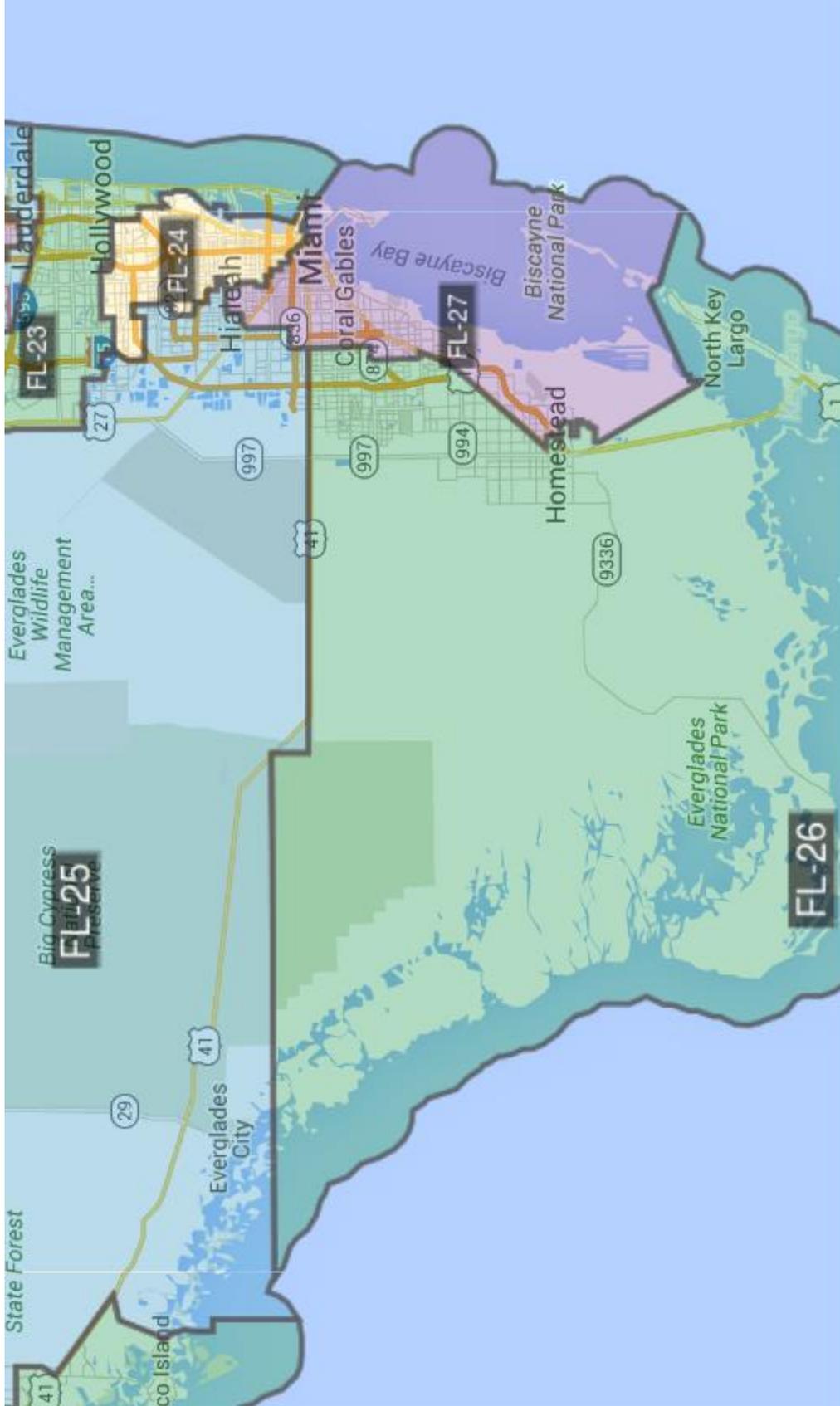
Grant management for MDPD is provided by the Fiscal Administration Bureau (FAB). The primary responsibility of grant management personnel is to ensure compliance with grant requirements through regular compliance monitoring including corrective action if and when necessary. Compliance monitoring conducted by FAB grant management personnel includes maintaining fiscal controls, regular monitoring of the grant objectives (operational and financial), and preparing and submitting operational and fiscal reports as required. MDPD's grant

management is conducted by a grant manager (police sergeant) and grant accountants. FAB provides departmental budgetary and fiscal guidance and ensures compliance with all MDC and departmental policies and procedures, as well as State and Federal guidelines. FAB's main functions include preparation and monitoring of the departmental operating and capital budget; accounting and reporting for all grants and trust funds awarded to MDPD; coordinating and monitoring all financial activities, as well as providing purchasing, capital inventory oversight, and inventory and supply controls for the department in delivering efficient and effective police services to MDC residents. MDPD FAB has a proven record of experience in implementing a wide array of U.S. DOJ grant-funded programs and meeting goals and objectives, on time, on budget, and in compliance with the grant agreements.

d. Plan for Collecting the Data Required for this Solicitation's Performance Measures

MDPD's FAB will report on required measures including amount of funds expended and other program measures and submit quarterly performance metrics through BJA's Performance Measurement Tool, as required by the USDOJ Bureau of Justice Assistance. If funding is awarded for **2024 Crime-Fighting Toolkit: *Compassionate Policing***, all work conducted using funding from this award will comply with the requirements set forth in the solicitation for all progress reports and financial reports. MDPD has a clear understanding of the performance data reporting requirements for this grant program and will gather the required data through regular communication and monitoring by identified project staff related to all aspects of purchasing, equipment usage guidelines, and personnel management.

Miami-Dade County spans five Congressional Districts, to include: FL-023, FL-024, FL-025, FL-026, and FL-027.



Budget Summary

**Budget Summary**

*Note: Any errors detected on this page should be fixed on the corresponding Budget Detail tab.*

Budget Category	Year 1		Year 2 (if needed)		Year 3 (if needed)		Year 4 (if needed)		Year 5 (if needed)		Total(s)
	Federal Request	Non-Federal Request	Federal Request	Non-Federal Request	Federal Request	Non-Federal Request	Federal Request	Non-Federal Request	Federal Request	Non-Federal Request	
A. Personnel	\$198,966	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$198,966
B. Fringe Benefits	\$18,037	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$18,037
C. Travel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
D. Equipment	\$166,020	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$166,020
E. Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
F. Construction	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
G. Subawards (Subgrants)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
H. Procurement Contracts	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
I. Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Direct Costs</b>	\$383,023	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$383,023
J. Indirect Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Project Costs</b>	\$383,023	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$383,023

Does this budget contain conference costs which is defined broadly to include meetings, retreats, seminars, symposia, and training activities? - Y/N

No

## Budget Detail - Year 1

Does this budget contain conference costs which is defined broadly to include meetings, retreats, seminars, symposia, and training activities? - Y/N  
 (DOJ Financial Guide, Section 3.10)

### A. Personnel

Name <i>List each name, if known.</i>	Position <i>List each position, if known.</i>	Computation <i>Show annual salary rate &amp; amount of time devoted to the project for each name/position.</i>						
		Salary	Rate	Time Worked <i>(# of hours, days, months, years)</i>	Percentage of Time	Total Cost	Non-Federal Contribution	Federal Request
TBD	Threat Management Unit and Crisis Response Unit Officers	\$71.55	hourly	2,257	100%	\$161,466	\$0	\$161,466
TBD	Accountant 1	\$75,000.00	yearly	1	50%	\$37,500	\$0	\$37,500
<b>Total(s)</b>						<b>\$198,966</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$198,966</b>

#### Narrative

The average overtime rate for the Mental Health and Wellness Services Bureau officers is \$71.55 per hour. The officers will work a total of 2,257 hours serving the community for a total of \$161,466. The Fiscal Administration Bureau, Grant Compliance Unit will fund an Accountant 1 position (50%) for processing the overtime packages, validating, and printing the payroll backup documents, reviewing reimbursements, processing payments to municipalities and non-profit partners, preparing reconciliations, financial reports, and performance reports. The Accountant 1 position will dedicate 50% of time to this law enforcement project based on an annual salary of \$75,000. MDPD will start the hiring process upon approval by the grantor and is estimating 6 months in year 1 (\$75,000/12 months x 6 months= \$37,500).

### B. Fringe Benefits

Name <i>List each grant-supported position receiving fringe benefits.</i>	Computation <i>Show the basis for computation.</i>				
	Base	Rate	Total Cost	Non-Federal Contribution	Federal Request
Accountant 1 TBD	\$37,500.00	48.10%	\$18,037	\$0	\$18,037
<b>Total(s)</b>			<b>\$18,037</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$18,037</b>

#### Narrative

Accountant 1 Fringe Benefits will be funded 50% for 6 months (Social Security 6.20%, Medicare 1.45%, Retirement 13.57%, Health \$14,600, Dental \$400, Life 0.21%, and Worker's Compensation \$5,001 Insurances). The \$18,036.80 Total is broken down below:  
 \$2325.00 Social Security  
 \$543.75 Medicare  
 \$5088.75 Retirement  
 \$7300 Health Insurance  
 \$200 Dental Insurance  
 \$78.75 Life Insurance  
 \$2500.5 Worker Compensation  
 \$18,036.80 Total

### C. Travel

Purpose of Travel <i>Indicate the purpose of each trip or type of trip (training, advisory group meeting)</i>	Location <i>Indicate the travel destination.</i>	Type of Expense <i>Lodging, Meals, Etc.</i>	Basis <i>Per day, mile, trip, Etc.</i>	Computation <i>Compute the cost of each type of expense X the number of people traveling.</i>						
				Cost	Quantity	# of Staff	# of Trips	Total Cost	Non-Federal Contribution	Federal Request
			N/A					\$0		\$0
<b>Total(s)</b>								<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

#### Narrative

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**D. Equipment**

<b>Item</b> <i>List and describe each item of equipment that will be purchased</i>	<b>Computation</b> <i>Compute the cost (e.g., the number of each item to be purchased X the cost per item)</i>				
	<b># of Items</b>	<b>Unit Cost</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>Non-Federal Contribution</b>	<b>Federal Request</b>
Virtual Reality De-escalation Training Simulator	1	\$123,670.86	\$123,671	\$0	\$123,671
Extended Reality Headsets Solution	1	\$42,349.00	\$42,349	\$0	\$42,349
<b>Total(s)</b>			<b>\$166,020</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$166,020</b>

**Narrative**

VirTra's VR police training simulators help prepare law enforcement officers for real-life incidents so they and the communities they serve can remain safe. Each real-world judgmental use of force training simulator has immersive and intense scenarios that provide an in-depth look into human performance. The demands on law enforcement to make critical decisions in tense, uncertain and rapidly evolving situations require that the human performance aspect of cognitive neuroscience and human physiology are taken into account as part of the police training methodology. Research on how to best use simulator technology is taken into account within what VirTra does. Training scenarios are filmed in superior quality and contain the full fidelity of real actors—thus eliminating 'video game' training. VirTra's extensive branching options further increase the realism by allowing scenarios to unfold based on the instructor, trainee or team's decisions.

**E. Supplies**

<b>Supply Items</b> <i>Provide a list of the types of items to be purchased with grant funds.</i>	<b>Computation</b> <i>Describe the item and the compute the costs. Computation: The number of each item to be purchased X the cost per item.</i>				
	<b># of Items</b>	<b>Unit Cost</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>Non-Federal Contribution</b>	<b>Federal Request</b>
			\$0		\$0
<b>Total(s)</b>			<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Narrative**

**F. Construction**

<b>Purpose</b> <i>Provide the purpose of the construction</i>	<b>Description of Work</b> <i>Describe the construction project(s)</i>	<b>Computation</b> <i>Compute the costs (e.g., the number of each item to be purchased X the cost per item)</i>				
		<b># of Items</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>Non-Federal Contribution</b>	<b>Federal Request</b>
				\$0		\$0
<b>Total(s)</b>				<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Narrative**

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<b>G. Subawards (Subgrants)</b>					
Description	Purpose	Consultant?			
<i>Provide a description of the activities to be carried out by subrecipients.</i>	<i>Describe the purpose of the subaward (subgrant)</i>	<i>Is the subaward for a consultant? If yes, use the section below to explain associated travel expenses included in the cost.</i>			
			<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>Non-Federal Contribution</b>	<b>Federal Request</b>
			\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total(s)</b>			<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>Consultant Travel (if necessary)</b>					
Purpose of Travel	Location	Type of Expense	Computation		
<i>Indicate the purpose of each trip or type of trip (training, advisory group meeting)</i>	<i>Indicate the travel destination.</i>	<i>Hotel, airfare, per diem</i>	<i>Compute the cost of each type of expense X the number of people traveling.</i>		
			<b>Cost</b>	<b>Duration or Distance</b>	<b># of Staff</b>
			\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total</b>			\$0	\$0	\$0

Narrative

<b>H. Procurement Contracts</b>					
Description	Purpose	Consultant?			
<i>Provide a description of the products or services to be procured by contract and an estimate of the costs. Applicants are encouraged to promote free and open competition in awarding contracts. A separate justification must be provided for sole source procurements in excess of the Simplified Acquisition Threshold (currently \$150,000).</i>	<i>Describe the purpose of the contract</i>	<i>Is the subaward for a consultant? If yes, use the section below to explain associated travel expenses included in the cost.</i>			
			<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>Non-Federal Contribution</b>	<b>Federal Request</b>
			\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total(s)</b>			<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>Consultant Travel (if necessary)</b>					
Purpose of Travel	Location	Type of Expense	Computation		
<i>Indicate the purpose of each trip or type of trip (training, advisory group meeting)</i>	<i>Indicate the travel destination.</i>	<i>Hotel, airfare, per diem</i>	<i>Compute the cost of each type of expense X the number of people traveling.</i>		
			<b>Cost</b>	<b>Duration or Distance</b>	<b># of Staff</b>
			\$0	\$0	\$0

	<b>Total</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0			
<b>Narrative</b>							
<b>I. Other Costs</b>							
<b>Description</b> <small>List and describe items that will be paid with grants funds (e.g. rent, reproduction, telephone, janitorial, or security services, and investigative or confidential funds).</small>	<b>Computation</b> <small>Show the basis for computation</small>						
	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Basis</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Length of Time</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>Non-Federal Contribution</b>	<b>Federal Request</b>
					\$0		\$0
<b>Total(s)</b>					<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Narrative</b>							
<b>J. Indirect Costs</b>							
<b>Description</b> <small>Describe what the approved rate is and how it is applied.</small>	<b>Computation</b> <small>Compute the indirect costs for those portions of the program which allow such costs.</small>						
	<b>Base</b>	<b>Indirect Cost Rate</b>		<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>Non-Federal Contribution</b>	<b>Federal Request</b>	
				\$0		\$0	
<b>Total(s)</b>					<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Narrative</b>							