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# SEMINOLE COUNTY GOVERNMENT AGENDA MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Certificate of Participation for 2006/2007 Byrne Grant				
DEPARTMENT: Community Services DIVISION: Community Assistance  Phillip C. Stalvey, Director David Medley, Manager  AUTHORIZED BY: Phillip C. Stalvey CONTACT: David Medley EXT. 3363				
Agenda Date <u>4/25/06</u> Regular ☐ Consent ⊠ Work Session ☐ Briefing ☐ Public Hearing – 7:00 ☐				
MOTION/RECOMMENDATION:				
Approval by the Board of County Commissioners to continue participation in the Florida Department of Law Enforcement's <i>Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program</i> and authorization for the chairman to sign the Certificate of Participation.				

### **BACKGROUND:**

Since 1990, the Seminole Board of County Commissioners has accepted an invitation to participate in the *Byme State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance Formula Grant Program (now called the Edward Byme Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program).* During this period approximately \$3,900,000 federal funds have been provided for a variety of projects. Seminole County has been notified that \$142,380 of Federal funds is available for use by all units of government within Seminole County. This represents a 37% decrease in funding for this program. The Florida Department of Law Enforcement is recommending that the Board of County Commissioners act as the coordinating agency.

Completion of the attached "Certificate of Participation" will allow for participation and designates the Community Assistance Manager as the grant applicant coordinator for the grant project proposals. It is projected that these proposals will be presented at the 6/13/06 meeting of the Board of County Commissioners.

Attachment: Certificate of Participation Notice

Bryne Grant Program Summary: 1990-2006

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# Florida Department of Law Enforcement

Guy M. Tunnell, Commissioner

Jeb Bush, Governor Charlie Crist, Attorney General Tom Gallagher, Chief Financial Officer Charles H. Bronson, Commissioner of Agriculture

March 24, 2006

The Honorable Daryl G. McLain Chairman, Seminole County Board of Commissioners 1101 East First Street Sanford, Florida 32771

RE: Federal Fiscal Year 2006 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant

(JAG) Program

Dear Chairman McLain:

The Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) anticipates an award in the amount of \$7,186,254 from the United States Department of Justice for Federal Fiscal Year 2006 JAG funds. JAG blends the previous Byrne Formula and Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG) Programs to provide agencies with the flexibility to prioritize and place justice funds where they are needed most. The FDLE, Office of Criminal Justice Grants, is the State Administrative Agency for these grant funds which will be distributed in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 11D-9, Florida Administrative Code.

FDLE has set aside \$142,380 of these funds for use by all units of government within Seminole County. The Federal Fiscal Year 2006 (State Fiscal Year 2007) Program Announcement is enclosed for your use and provides guidance for submission of applications for these funds. These funds may be used by local units of government to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime and to improve the criminal justice system. Since Congress did not appropriate the same level of funding as in previous years, this amount may represent a decrease in funding.

As a condition of participation in this program, the units of government in each county must reach a consensus concerning the expenditure of these funds. This consensus must include the projects to be implemented as well as the agency responsible for such implementation.

Committed to Service • Integrity • Respect • Quality The Honorable Daryl G. McLain March 24, 2006 Page Two

Developing such consensus will require someone to exercise leadership and assume a coordinating role in the development of applications for these funds. FDLE recommends that the Board of County Commissioners assume this responsibility.

In the event the county declines to serve in this capacity, the Department will request the governing body of each municipality in the county, in descending order of population, to serve as the coordinating unit of government.

The enclosed Certification of Participation form requests the identification of an individual coordinator. We will send this individual further information regarding the application process in FDLE's on-line grant management system. Please complete the enclosed Certificate of Participation and return it within 30 days from the date of this correspondence to:

> Florida Department of Law Enforcement Office of Criminal Justice Grants 2331 Phillips Road Tallahassee, Florida 32308 Attention: Clayton H. Wilder

We look forward to working with you. If you have any questions or if we can provide you with any assistance regarding the JAG Program, please contact me at (850) 410-8700.

Sincerely,

Clayton H. Wilder Administrator

CHW/JP/dh

**Enclosures** 

Mayors in Seminole County CC:

Law Enforcement Agencies in Seminole County

Project Directors in Seminole County

# **CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION**

# Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program

Date:
Mr. Clayton H. Wilder Administrator Office of Criminal Justice Grants Florida Department of Law Enforcement 2331 Phillips Road Tallahassee, Florida 32308
Dear Mr. Wilder:
This is to inform you that the Board of County Commissioners Accepts X Declines the invitation to serve as the coordinating unit of government in the Florida Department of Law Enforcement's Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program.
For purposes of coordinating the preparation of our application(s) for grant funds with the Office of Criminal Justice Grants, we have designated the following person:
Name: David Medley
Title: Manager
E-mail address: dmedley@seminolecountyfl.gov
Agency: Seminole County Government/Division of Community Assistance
Address: 400 West Airport Blvd. Sanford, FI 32773
Telephone: 407-665-3363 County: Seminole
Date:
Sincerely,
Chair, Board of County Commissioners

# BYRNE GRANT PROGRAM SUMMARY: 1990 -- 2006

<u>OFFICER TRAINING</u> (one year funding 1990/91) (Seminole County Sheriff's Office) Provided a 40-hour training class to over 400 law enforcement officers in Seminole County.

<u>WORK RELEASE CENTER</u> (four years funding 1991--1995)(Seminole County Sheriff's Office) Established and maintained a Work Release Center at the John Polk Correctional Facility. Approximately 165 clients received services including job skills training and employment.

<u>PROBATION REFERRAL</u> (four years funding 1991--1995) (Crossroad's Treatment Center) Provided 80 probation clients with an intensive 35-day residential treatment program.

<u>IN-JAIL TREATMENT</u> (four years funding 1991 -- 1995) (*The Grove Counseling Center*) Provided substance abuse treatment to 311 women inmates at the correctional facility.

<u>SUBSTANCE ABUSE OFFICE</u> (funded Through 1996/97) (*Div. Of Community Assistance*) Established the Office of Substance Abuse to provide leadership and coordination of grant activities and area efforts aimed at reducing violence and substance abuse.

<u>INFORMATION SYSTEM</u> (one year funding 1996) (Department of Community Services)
This project provided an automated case management tracking process integrating Probation, Pre-Trial Diversion, Community Service, Weekend Jail Programs, and juvenile services.

### TEEN COURT (four years funding 1995 -- 1999) (P.A.Y.)

Established a Teen Court program aimed at first time offenders charged with misdemeanors and designed to interrupt developing patterns of criminal behavior in juveniles.

<u>ADULT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE</u> (four years funding 1995 -- 1999) (Safehouse of Seminole) Provided for direct individual and group mental health and substance abuse counseling services.

<u>ADOLESCENT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE</u> (four years funding 1995 -- 1999) (P.A.Y.)
Over 5.100 domestic violence education and substance abuse counseling services were provided to

Adolescents charged with domestic violence.

# POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE (Sheriff's Office) (1996-1999)

This non-profit organization provided academic, leisure, and recreational programs to children throughout Seminole County in a variety of drug free events, activities and clean-up campaigns.

## AUDIO VISUAL APPEARANCE/ARRAIGNMENT SYSTEM 1997-2001 (Court Admin)

This project funded a demonstration courtroom using a variety of innovative technologies to improve court-based operations: video, assisted listening devises, conference telephony and electronic preparation, signing, and filing of court documents.

# JUVENILE CASE TRACKING SYSTEM (1997-2001) (State Attorney)(1997-2000)

This project provided a centralized case tracking system. Information through this system is utilized by law enforcement, School Board, Clerk of the Court, Judiciary, and the Department of Juvenile Justice.

### COUNTY DUI PROSECUTION INITIATIVE (Sheriff's Office) (1998-2001)

This project reduces the time necessary for law enforcement officers to be involved in the booking process, provides a custodian for DUI tapes used as evidence, and promotes effective prosecution of DUI cases.

# COMMUNITY JUSTICE/NEIGHBORHOOD ENRICHMENT (1999-2003)

This projects stresses the benefit of a collaborative effort between all law enforcement agencies, other branches of local municipal and county governments, local business, the Department of Children and Families and other community groups in reducing recidivism among probationers, and eradicating drug activity in Seminole County.

# CHILD ABUSE VICTIM ASSISTANCE TRACKING SYSTEM (KIDS HOUSE) (2000-2003)

This project will provide for a tracking system and coordinator to monitor case progress and outcomes. Matching funds are provided by Kids House of Seminole.

#### ELDER SERVICES UNIT (STATE ATTORNEY) (2001-2004)

The goals of this unit are to address the increase in crimes involving incidents of elder abuse, neglect, lewd & lasciviousness, and exploitation.

#### **COMPUTER CRIME INVESTIGATION** (SHERIFF'S OFFICE) (2001-2004)

This project provides a full-time investigator to recover evidence from computers confiscated as a direct result of internet crimes or other crimes where the computer is used to commit the crimes or store evidence.

## COUNTY CAREER CRIMINAL INITIATIVE (Sheriff's Office) (2002-2005)

Funds under this project will provide a full-time investigator dedicated to identifying offenders who meet the career criminal criteria. (Career criminals are repeat offenders who qualify for enhanced sentencing penalties and who may be designated by a judge as either a habitual felony offender or a habitual violent felony offender).

# ELECTRONIC MONITORING (Sheriff's Office) (2003-2006)

Project will provide electronic monitoring to juveniles, and enhance the number of participants for the adult pilot project. This technology will allow those that qualify to continue working and/or attending school during their probation.

## CAR CAMERAS CONVICT CRIMINALS IN ALTAMONTE SPRINGS (ALTAMONTE SPRINGS PD) (2004-2006)

This project will provide car cameras for marked patrol vehicles to be utilized in all criminal activity and thus increase the prosecution rate. Car cameras will be able to increase the quality of evidence and visually show this type of criminal action as it occurs

### SANFORD TRAFFIC TECHNOLOGY ENHANCEMENT (SANFORD PD) (2005-2006)

This project will purchase six (6) PocketCitation systems to be used by the Traffic Section officers. These devices will allow for the quick and efficient completion of traffic citations.

# CASSELBERRY TRAFFIC TECHNOLOGY ENHANCEMENT (CASELLBERRY PD) (2005-2006)

This will purchase six (6) PocketCitation systems to be used by the Traffic Section officers. These devices will allow for the quick and efficient completion of traffic citations.

#### COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP AGAINST GANGS LAKE MARY PD) (2005-2006)

The project seeks to establish a strong partnership between the Department and the community to provide education for Department personnel and the public regarding gang activity. The funds will purchase equipment to be utilized in this prevention activity.