



## CITY OF GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

### **AGENDA ITEM**

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Report: Accept and Appropriate the Department of Justice (DOJ) Office of Justice Programs, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant.

1. Motion to Accept Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) 2024 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) funds and authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the necessary agreements, certification, and other documents required to accept the Grant.
2. Resolution of Appropriation.

### **COUNCIL ACTION**

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**Item Type:** Consent Item

**Approved for** December 17, 2024 **calendar**

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

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The Glendale Police Department requests acceptance of \$16,089 in grant funds from the BJA FY204 JAG Grant Program for the grant period of October 1, 2023, to September 30, 2025 for Internet Crimes Against Children case overtime.

## RECOMMENDATION

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Approve the motion to authorize participation in the BJA FY2024 JAG Grant Program and accept funds in the amount of \$16,089 and adopt the attached resolution of appropriation.

## ANALYSIS

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The Glendale Police Department (GPD) has identified the need for additional resources to address Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC). The \$16,089 in grant funds awarded through the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program will enhance the department's capacity to investigate and prosecute offenders involved in these crimes.

The funding will be used exclusively for detective overtime in the ICAC unit. This investment will enable GPD to expand its reach in combating online exploitation by dedicating additional hours to these complex and time-sensitive investigations. These efforts align with statutory goals to protect vulnerable populations and uphold community safety by addressing cybercrimes that target children.

Without this grant, the department would face challenges in allocating sufficient resources to ICAC cases, potentially delaying investigations and limiting the number of offenders apprehended. Acceptance of this funding ensures that the department can prioritize these critical cases without impacting the general fund or requiring budget reallocations. Additionally, this use of federal funding underscores Glendale's commitment to leveraging external resources to enhance public safety and protect its most vulnerable residents.

## STAKEHOLDERS/OUTREACH

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The primary stakeholders impacted by this grant include:

- **Glendale Police Department (GPD):** The grant directly supports the ICAC unit by providing overtime funding, enabling the department to address a higher volume of online exploitation cases.
- **Residents of Glendale:** The community benefits from enhanced safety measures and a stronger law enforcement response to crimes targeting children.
- **Vulnerable Populations (Children):** The targeted nature of this grant prioritizes the protection of children from exploitation and abuse.

### Outreach Methods:

- Information will also be shared with community groups, particularly those focused on child welfare, to demonstrate the city's commitment to public safety and crime prevention.

By keeping the community informed, the City of Glendale ensures accountability and fosters trust in its efforts to enhance public safety.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

The FY2024 BJA JAG grant award is \$16,089, which was not included as part of the FY2024-25 approved budget. The grant does not require matching funds. Therefore, staff is requesting an appropriation of \$16,089 from grant revenue. The appropriation request is outlined below:

<b>Requesting Appropriation</b>			
<b>Amount</b>	<b>From (Account String)</b>	<b>To (Account String)</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>
\$16,089	GL: 31240-2610- GPD-0020-P0000 PL: GPD01326AG	GL:41200-2610- GPD-0020-P0000 PL: GPD01326AG	Police Fund – Federal Grant

## **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW (CEQA/NEPA)**

This item is considered a ministerial activity and therefore, not subjected to CEQA/NEPA review. There is no possibility that the acceptance of this award may have a significant effect on the environment. (14 Cal. Code Regs. § 15061(b)(3)).

## **CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE**

Not applicable.

## **ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Alternative 1: Deny the Police Department's request. Expenses for the Unit's overtime would be absorbed by the Police Department budget.

Alternative 2: The City Council may consider any other alternative not proposed by staff.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION**

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## **EXHIBITS/ATTACHMENTS**

Not applicable.