

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE August 28, 2020

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **2020 Justice Assistance Grant Program Application**

The Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program is the primary provider of federal criminal justice funding to state and local jurisdictions. JAG funds can support all components of the criminal justice system, from multijurisdictional drug and gang task forces to crime prevention and domestic violence programs, courts, corrections, treatment, and justice information sharing initiatives. JAG funded projects may address crime by providing services directly to individuals and/or communities, and by improving the effectiveness and efficiency of criminal justice systems, processes, and procedures.

The City of Dallas, Dallas County, and other units of local government designated by the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) are eligible for 2020 JAG funding and have been certified by the BJA as a disparate jurisdiction. The application guidelines ask for one fiscal agent to apply, accept, and disburse funds throughout the disparate jurisdiction. Dallas County and all eligible units of local government in the disparate jurisdiction have agreed to designate the City of Dallas as the applicant and fiscal agent for the JAG Program.

The following amounts reflect the JAG funds each jurisdiction shall receive upon acceptance of and disbursements of funds from the BJA in accordance with the Fiscal Agency Agreement.

Dallas County	\$ 262,624.42
Balch Springs	\$ 7,166.86
Carrollton	\$ 8,304.16
Dallas	\$ 508,807.96
DeSoto	\$ 8,246.22
Duncanville	\$ 8,678.48
Garland	\$ 31,287.71
Grand Prairie	\$ 23,631.30
Irving	\$ 22,738.78
Lancaster	\$ 9,138.74
Mesquite	\$ 25,761.37
Richardson	\$ 0.00
Total	\$ 916,404.00

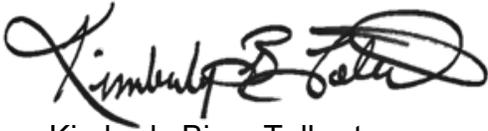
In recent years, the City of Dallas has used the JAG grant to fund salaries, benefits, and other associated costs for the Community Prosecution program. Other past projects include Fair and Impartial Policing Training and SharePoint implementation for the Dallas Police Department. For the 2020 award (Application No 2020-H8434-TX-DJ), Dallas will

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fund salaries and benefits for three Community Prosecutors, as well as supplies for the Community Prosecution team. Ten (10) percent of the total award is also used to reimburse administrative expenses associated with managing the grant.

The JAG grant application requires that the application be made available to an eligible jurisdiction's governing body for review for 30 days before an award can be executed. In past years, we have utilized our regular agenda process for this. This year, to ensure that the City is in compliance, this memo will serve as formal notification to the City Council. **The application as submitted to BJA is available for review on the Office of Strategic Partnerships and Government Affairs Sharepoint Site by clicking this [link](#), or by contacting Brett Wilkinson to request an electronic copy.**

This item is scheduled for full Council approval on September 23. Please contact Brett Wilkinson, Managing Director, Office of Strategic Partnerships and Government Affairs with any questions or concerns.



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