



COLUMBIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Office of Accreditation and Personnel Services

Grant Notice: The Columbia Police Department is applying for the FY 2021 Local Solicitation Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program. This program is the primary provider of federal criminal justice funding to state and local jurisdictions funding all components of the criminal justice system, from multi-jurisdictional drug and gang task force to crime prevention and domestic violence programs, courts, corrections, treatment, and justice information sharing initiatives.

In this funding period, \$83,317.00 has been allocated to the City of Columbia for which the Columbia Police Department intends to purchase equipment items to support the Bomb Squad Unit. Public reviews and comment is encouraged on our JAG program. Please contact Major Drafts, Administrative Services Bureau at George.Drafts@columbiasc.gov for further information. The application must be submitted no later than August 16, 2021.

Established to streamline justice funding and grant administration, the JAG Program allows states, tribes, non-profit and faith-based organization, and local government to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime based on their own local needs and conditions. JAG blends the previous Byrne Formula and Local Law Enforcement Black Grant (LLEBG) programs to provide agencies with the flexibility to prioritize and place justice funds where they are needed most.

The JAG formula includes as state allocation consisting of a minimum base allocation with the remaining amount determined on population and Part 1 violent crime statistic, and a direct allocation to units of local government. Once the state allocation is calculated, 60 percent of the funding is awarded to the state and 40 percent to eligible units of local government. State allocations also have a required variable pass through to units of local government, calculated by the Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) from each state's crime expenditures.

JAG funds may be used for state and local initiatives, technical assistance, training, personnel, and operating. Additionally, funds may be used for equipment, overtime, contractual support, and information systems for criminal justice.

JAG purposes Area

- Law enforcement programs
- Prosecution and court programs.
- Prevention and education program.
- Corrections and community corrections programs.
- Drug treatment and enforcement programs.
- Planning, evaluation, technology improvement programs.
- Crime victim and witness Programs (other than compensation)