2016 JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT

Grant Notifications

Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)

The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (LFUCG) recently received notification of available funding from the United States Justice Department under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program 2016 Local Solicitation. The JAG program provides local agencies with the flexibility to prioritize and place justice funds where they are needed most. LFUCG is eligible to receive a formula amount \$157,318

Awards are made in the first fiscal year of the appropriation and may be expended during the following 3 years. Extensions beyond this period may be made on a case-by-case basis at the discretion of BJA and must be requested via the Grants Management System (GMS) no less than 30 days prior to the grant end date.

JAG funds may be used for state and local initiatives, technical assistance, strategic planning, research and evaluation (including forensics), data collection, training, personnel, equipment, forensic laboratories, supplies, contractual support and criminal justice information systems that will improve or enhance such areas as:

- Law Enforcement
- Prosecution and court programs, including indigent defense
- Prevention and education programs
- Corrections and Community corrections programs
- Drug treatment and enforcement programs
- Planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs
- Crime victim and witness programs (other than compensation)

The Lexington Police Department is recommending that these funds be expended as follows:

- \$59,000-Fiber Optics to Lexington Police West Sector to provide adequate bandwidth for email, file access, records management and access to the internet. This will pay for installation costs into an existing conduit at 1795 Old Frankfort Pike to Versailles/Parkers Mill.
- 2. \$16,610-3D Handheld Scanner for more accurate Crime Scene documentation, especially in hard-to-reach spaces.
- 3. \$2,500-Cellbrite Physical Analyzer for recovering digital evidence from computers, hard drives and cellular phones.
- 4. \$2,000-Portable Lighting (2) for increased lighting for crime scene documentation.

- 5. \$31,036.-4 Self Contained Breathing Apparatus, Powered Air Purifying Respirators and Voice Protection Units for Clandestine Lab investigations and disposal.
- \$5,200 SCBA System Cylinders used by Lexington Police Hazardous
 Devices personnel to continue operations while expended cylinders are
 being recharged.
- 7. \$3,300 (6) Radio Headsets for radio communication utilized by the Lexington Police Hazardous Devices Unit when performing explosive mitigation operations and while supporting tactical team with robot operations.
- 8. \$6,600-Drug Abuse Resistance Education Training to increase the number of police officers who can teach D.A.R.E. in local schools.
- 9. \$31,072-Crisis Negotiation Telephone System for the Lexington Police Crisis Negotiation Team and Emergency Response unit to use when responding to hostage/barricade situations.