

**RESOLUTION  
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**Sheriff Robert D. Spoden**  
INITIATED BY



**Diane Michaelis**  
DRAFTED BY

**Public Safety and Justice**  
**Committee**  
SUBMITTED BY

**June 9, 2015**  
DATE DRAFTED

**AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF 2015 EDWARD BYRNE  
MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT APPLICATION AND  
AUTHORIZING INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT WITH BELOIT AND JANESVILLE**

- 1 **WHEREAS**, Rock County, the City of Beloit, and the City of Janesville are eligible, as a unit, to apply
- 2 for funds from the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program for the purpose of
- 3 preventing and controlling crime; and,
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- 5 **WHEREAS**, the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance
- 6 has determined that there is a funding disparity between the County and the Cities based on the statutory
- 7 JAG formula, and due to the disparity, the County and the Cities are required to apply for the award with
- 8 a single, joint application; and,
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- 10 **WHEREAS**, the Rock County Sheriff, the Beloit Police Chief, and the Janesville Police Chief plan to
- 11 make a joint application in the amount of \$32,189; and,
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- 13 **WHEREAS**, the municipalities have a written agreement that specifies the distribution of funds as
- 14 \$6,489 for Rock County, \$11,300 for Beloit, and \$14,400 for Janesville; and,
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- 16 **WHEREAS**, the written agreement designates the Rock County Sheriff's Office as the grant applicant
- 17 and fiscal agent; and,
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- 19 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly
- 20 assembled this 25<sup>th</sup> day of JUNE, 2015, does hereby approve and authorize the submission of
- 21 an Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant application, and the Chair of the Rock County
- 22 Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to sign all necessary documents on behalf of the County of
- 23 Rock; and,
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- 25 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Chair of the Rock County Board of Supervisors and the
- 26 County Clerk are hereby directed to execute an Interagency Agreement with the City of Beloit and the
- 27 City of Janesville that designates Rock County as the grant fiscal agent and specifies how grant proceeds
- 28 will be shared should the application be funded.

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Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE

Absent  
Mary Beaver, Chair

Henry Brill  
Henry Brill


Terry Fell  
Terry Fell

Brian Knudson  
Brian Knudson

Larry Wiedenfeld  
Larry Wiedenfeld

FISCAL NOTE:

This resolution only authorizes an application for a grant and therefore has no fiscal impact at this time. If a grant is awarded, a subsequent resolution would be required to accept the grant and amend the budget.

  
Sherry Oja  
Finance Director

LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to secs. 59.01, 59.51 and 66.0301, Wis. Stats. The authority to accept grant funds pursuant to sec. 59.52(19), Wis. Stats., necessarily implies the authority to make application for such funds.

Jeffrey S. Kuglitsch  
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Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.

Josh Smith  
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County Administrator

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**Executive Summary**

Rock County, the City of Beloit, and the City of Janesville are eligible to apply for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant, commonly referred to as JAG. Based on a formula funding disparity between the County and the Cities, the municipalities are required to apply for the award with a single, joint application.

The Rock County Sheriff's Office plans to apply for this grant in the amount of \$32,189. The Bureau of Justice Assistance will be making awards to assist local efforts to prevent or reduce crime and violence.

Rock County will act as the fiscal agent. The responsibilities of the fiscal agent include filing the application, administering and distributing the funds, monitoring the award, and submitting reports, performance measures, and program assessment data.

The grant application process requires an inter-agency agreement to be signed by each jurisdiction's authorized representative. The agreement specifies the fiscal agent and specifies the division of the grant proceeds. The proceeds will be divided as follows:

Beloit	\$ 11,300
Janesville	\$ 14,400
Rock County	\$ <u>6,489</u>

Total	\$ 32,189
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The Sheriff's Office intends to purchase squad cameras with their portion of the grant funds.

The grant application must be made available for the County Board to review before the application is submitted to the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA). The application will be made public, and an opportunity to comment will be provided to citizens.