

STAFF REPORT
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Date: August 11, 2015

To: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

From: Lee D'Errico, Director of Public Safety

Subject: **Application for the 2015 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)**

Recommendation:

Receive public comment and approve filing for the 2015 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) in the amount of \$62,629.

Fiscal Impact:

None. If awarded, appropriations will be funded by the Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance.

Background:

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG) will allow states and local governments to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime and to improve the criminal justice system. The JAG purpose areas are:

- Law Enforcement programs
- Prosecution and court programs
- Prevention and education programs
- Corrections and community corrections programs
- Drug treatment programs

If awarded, the JAG funds can be used in any of the six proposed areas to pay for personnel, programs and equipment. The City will utilize the JAG funds for a Community Support and Second Chance Program. The Second Chance Program will provide alternative diversion programs for juveniles who have committed a misdemeanor crime. Program participants will receive support and learn the necessary skills to be good citizens in Lancaster.

Upon award, a separate staff report will be presented to Council for the appropriations.