

Alachua County, FL

Agenda Item Summary

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Agenda Item Name:

Byrne Grant Application-Local Solicitation Fiscal Year 2023 (FY 23) and Countywide Solicitation Fiscal Year 2022 (FY 22)

Presenter:

Martha Orthoefer, Contract and Grant Administrator for Alachua County Sheriff's Office, 352-367-4180

Description:

For the Byrne Grant Countywide Program Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) application, the Sheriff is requesting the Board of County Commissioners (Board or BoCC) approve the distribution put forward by the advisory board that met August 16, 2023 and applications are due to FDLE by October 2, 2023 and have the Chair sign a letter approving the distribution.

Recommended Action:

Approve the advisory board's recommendation for the distribution of funds as presented in the 51% attached letter. Authorize the Chair to sign the letter.

Prior Board Motions:

At the August 8, 2023 meeting the Board approved the Sheriff to apply on behalf of the county as the countywide Byrne grant coordinator.

Fiscal Note:

There are no matching funds required.

Strategic Guide:

Public Safety

Background:

This item consists of the FDLE 2022 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Countywide subgrant, herein referred to as the Countywide. The Countywide subgrant is the allocation through FDLE from the State of Florida's Byrne Grant allocation. The grant is awarded to the Board of County Commissioners (BoCC). The Countywide grant requires the BoCC follow a process that complies with 11D-9.005(a) F.A.C. to apply. To comply, the BoCC created the Byrne Grant Advisory Board to review proposals and provide funding recommendations to the BoCC. Subsequent to the BoCC approving the projects, FDLE is notified via the "51% letter", and each entity with an approved project applies separately to FDLE. The Sheriff's Office coordinated the Byrne Advisory Board process with the Clerk of Court, who sits as the Chair of the Byrne Advisory Board on August 16, 2023.