

CITY OF HIGH POINT

AGENDA ITEM



Title: 2018 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Funding

From: Kenneth J. Shultz, Chief of Police

Meeting Date: 8/19/19

Public Hearing: N/A

**Advertising Date /
Advertised By:** N/A

Attachments:

PURPOSE:

Establish a public hearing date of September 16 at 5:30p.m. for the purpose of receiving public comments on the funding for the 2018 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant.

BACKGROUND:

The City of High Point is proposing to use the 2018 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) funding for the purchase of twenty-two (22) tactical vests with Level III rifles plates. Funding will be presented to City Council in the form of public hearing and comments on September 16, 2019. The grant allotment is a multi-agency award distributed between the City of Greensboro, High Point, and the Guilford County Sheriff's Department. The City of Greensboro serves as the lead and fiscal agent to administer the funding. The City of Greensboro will receive funding totaling \$122,930; The Guilford County Sheriff's Department will receive funding in the amount of \$55,974; and the City of High Point will receive funding in the amount of \$46,237.

The High Point Police Department will utilize the funding to purchase ballistic vests and associated Level III rifle plates for the Vice/Narcotics Unit and the Tactical Team Unit which answer high priority calls that often involve extreme situations of violence to include, fugitive search warrant service, apprehension of violent criminals, hostage situations, and vehicle containment operations. Level III body armor protects the officers from more ballistic threats than standard issue body armor and protects more of the officer's bodies as they perform high risk entries and arrests. The purchase will be made utilizing NC State Contract 680C.

BUDGET IMPACT:

There are no funds required for match of this grant

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:

Council is requested to establish a public hearing date of September 16 at 5:30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving public comments on the High Point Police Department's use of funding awarded under the 2018 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant.

