

MEMO TO: City Council

FROM: John Marchione, Mayor

DATE: September 7, 2010

SUBJECT: Accept Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant

I. RECOMMENDED ACTION

Authorize the acceptance of the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant in order to purchase equipment, supplies, and training to support the City of Redmond's computer forensic laboratory for the purpose of building prosecutorial evidence for computer related crimes.

II. DEPARTMENT CONTACT PERSON

Ron Gibson, Chief of Police – 425.556.2528
Larry Gainer, Assistant Chief of Police – 425.556.2526
Jan Fuller – Computer Forensics Investigator – 425.556.2527

III. DESCRIPTION

The Redmond Police Department is eligible to receive \$10,696.00 in funding under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG). This program is a blend of previous Byrne Formula and Local Law Enforcement block Grant (LLEBG) programs and allows agencies the flexibility to prioritize and use the funds as needed to prevent and control crime.

The Police Department intends to use these funds to purchase equipment, supplies, and training to support the city of Redmond's computer forensic laboratory. With the installation of the lab, the police department will further its efforts in criminal arrests and in building prosecuting evidence for identity theft, drug dealing, and child pornography cases.

Any input from the public regarding the use of these funds is welcome and encouraged.

IV. IMPACT

A. Service Delivery

These funds can be used for equipment, supplies and training in support of law enforcement programs and is expected to enhance service in the city of Redmond.

B. Fiscal

There is no requirement for matching funds for this grant.

V. ATTACHMENT

A. Justice Assistance Grant Award Letter

Ron Gibson, Chief of Police

Date

Approved for Council Agenda

John Marchione, Mayor

Date