

JAG 2010 Program Narrative for  
City of Spokane and Spokane County, WA.

**JAG 2010 Grant Proposal**

The City of Spokane and Spokane County respectfully submit this joint application in regards to the 2010 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG). The City of Spokane will act as fiscal agent for the JAG. The Spokane Police Department, acting on behalf of the City of Spokane, manages its own budget, including federal grants. The Spokane Police Department has managed over twenty-five grants since 2003 totaling over \$22 million. This total includes \$3.7 million received from BJA in previous LLEBG and JAG funding. With a Grant Accounting Specialist on staff, the Spokane Police Department has the capacity and will be responsible for grant administration details as they relate to acting as fiscal agent, to include disbursement of funds and monitoring of subrecipients, collecting and submitting financial and performance measure reports, and offering any needed grant assistance to subrecipients of the JAG funding. Drawdowns and expenditures are tracked through individual budget lines for each federal grant received, which keeps federal funding separate.

As this is a joint application, please see the following sections for a breakdown of spending by agency.

**City of Spokane Projects**

The Spokane Police Department, on behalf of the City of Spokane, proposes to use their allocation of JAG funds (\$153,022) for the grant purpose area of law enforcement programs. This grant funding will be used to upgrade equipment and services at the Spokane Regional Law Enforcement Training Center's Outdoor Shooting Range. This range is used by area law enforcement, including local, state, and federal agencies, for tactical firearms training. The range is outdated and a potential safety hazard as there is an increasing chance of ricochet from spent

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bullet fragments if upgrades are not made. An improved range will enhance the training capabilities for area law enforcement, including the Spokane Police Department, and will reduce the possibility of injury to those using the range.

The following is a list of equipment and supplies needed to make range improvements. Funding is requested to purchase a new Public Address (PA) system for the pistol and rifles ranges; this system is necessary to communicate to individuals using the ranges. Funding is also requested to purchase air compressors for the target systems at the range. The forced air from the compressors enables the targets to turn, improving firearm proficiency. The compressors will also be used for maintenance, such as cleaning firearms after use. Additionally, funds are requested to purchase dehumidifiers for the air compressors in order to increase the life-span and usability of the target systems. Use of air compressors creates condensation in the lines serving the target systems. In sub-freezing temperatures, this condensation freezes and ruins the line, preventing the target system from working. Spokane frequently reaches below freezing temperatures from October to May; the dehumidifiers will allow year-around access to the range.

Funding is also requested to purchase Linatex rubber wall covering for the steel knee wall that protects the targeting systems. This rubber wall covering prevents ricochets as well as prolonging the life of the target system by protecting it from errant bullets. Funding is also requested for moveable ballistic protection walls. These barricades separate the pistol and rifle ranges and provide ballistic protection to individuals between the ranges. Funding is also requested to replace the shotgun popper target equipment; this targeting system employs targets that pop up and down, increasing proficiency with the shotgun. Funds are also requested to purchase computers that will run the targeting systems and for two rifle benches, which allow an individual to site in a rifle at distances, increasing accuracy.

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Personal safety equipment funding is also requested. Funds will be used to purchase two level 4 ballistic vests (rifle level protection for the firearms instructors) as well as an automatic electronic defibrillator (AED) and first aid stations so in the event of injury aid can be applied until paramedics arrive. Funds will also be used for individual issue range equipment such as eye/ear protection and cleaning kits.

Finally, funding is requested for other enhancements to the range. First, funding is requested to remove a railcar that is onsite of the range and inhibits free movement. Additionally, it is infested with vermin and poses a potential health hazard. Funding will also be used to purchase new sprinkler components for the lawns of the rifle and pistol ranges; funds will also purchase new top soil and sod for the rifle range. Additionally, funds are requested for cover gravel for the shooting surfaces on all ranges (rifle, pistol, and back). This gravel prevents ricochet by absorbing bullets and is a necessary safety requirement. Finally, funding is requested for sound barrier and esthetic landscaping between the K9 kennels and rifle range. Tree planting in this area will absorb some of the noise from the ranges, preventing disruption to not only the K9s, but also to residents north of the range as well as the classroom facilities at the Spokane Regional Law Enforcement Training Center.

**Spokane County Projects**

The Spokane County Sheriff's Office and the Spokane County Prosecutor propose to provide the following as part of the 2010 JAG funding available to Spokane County and the City of Spokane during the time frame of the award from October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2014. The total amount of this funding is \$90,043, which is the amount allocated to Spokane

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County and is being split with \$45,021.50 each to the Spokane County Sheriff's Office and the Spokane County Prosecutor.

The Spokane County Sheriff's Office (SCSO) requests funds to purchase items in the following categories to support SCSO law enforcement programs/projects. Funding will be used for equipment and supplies for use in the event of an incident and/or emergency requiring the response of the SCSO. Three (3) SCSO/Community Resource Trailers will be used as incident command centers in the event of an emergency and/or incident. The equipment and supplies on the budget narrative, or similar items, depending on changes in technology, needs and/or costs, will be available via the three (3) SCSO/Community Resource Trailers. Examples of these supplies include tools, safety equipment such as flares and reflective vests, and clipboards/paper. These trailers will be located in strategic areas in response to an incident and/or emergency.

SCSO also requests funding for the benefits stipend for two years for the Neighborhood Watch Program Director as well as funds for three (3) computer monitors and related software/air cards for SCSO staff. Finally, monies are requested for training and travel funds for SCSO staff for approximately eight (8) training sessions/conferences to include the costs of registration, travel, lodging, and per diem with locations to be determined and estimated based on past travel costs per training session/conference.

The Spokane County Prosecutor will use funding for the prosecution and court programs purpose area of the grant. Funding will fill a Support Staff Position for property and drug crime prosecution for a 12 month time frame of the grant, most likely for the 2011 calendar year.