

SUMMARY OF APPLICATIONS RECEIVED
Pinellas County Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Countywide Program
Federal Fiscal Year 2023 (to be spent October 1, 2024- September 31, 2025)

Amount Available: \$243,753.30*

*(Total JAG-C Funds = \$270,837.00 less 10% (\$27,083.70) allocated to Pinellas County for costs associated with administering the grants)

| APPLICANT | PROJECT TITLE | AMOUNT REQUEST | SUMMARY |
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| ALPHA House | Prevention and Education Program | \$ 24,715.10 | The funding will address hazards faced by homeless pregnant women and teens, new mothers with infants, and families experiencing crisis pregnancies in Pinellas County, including outreach and intake, trauma-informed counseling, abuse prevention education, case management, life skills development, vocational education, child development and parenting resources, crisis prevention, and therapeutic groups. ALPHA House's project aims to prevent intergenerational abuse through counseling, education, case management, and life skills development, fostering a safe environment for healing and self-sufficiency. By doing so, it seeks to break abusive cycles and reduce homelessness among this vulnerable population in Pinellas County. |
| Arts Conservatory for Teens (ACT) | Prevention and Education Program | \$ 25,000.00 | Funding for the Arts Conservatory for Teens' Young Creators' Alliance to offer constructive alternatives, reducing the likelihood of criminal behavior and promoting positive development through education and mentorship. This initiative can help mitigate these risks, leading to a safer and more resilient community. Further, requested funding will support reducing youth violence and crime, provide a safe and supportive environment for youth, and help them explore and take actionable steps toward a positive and productive future. |
| Boley Centers | Behavioral Health Programs | \$ 23,813.00 | Funding will address hiring a Licensed Clinical Manager position will provide clinical supervision and oversight to the HUD-funded Intensive Case Management Services Team and also provide individual and group therapy to residents of Boley's Permanent Supported Housing who have been identified as having behavioral health problems that are interfering with their ability to live independently, specifically due to substance use issues. The Licensed Clinical Manager will provide crisis intervention as needed and be an active member of the Intensive Case Management Team, helping to provide interventions, safety contracting, and harm reduction activities using evidence-based practices. They will also develop treatment plans, conduct assessments for all referred clients, and maintain service and therapy notes in the client's record. |
| Boys & Girls Clubs | Prevention Program | \$ 50,000.00 | Funding for Prevention Specialists to work at all Pinellas County middle and high schools. Throughout the course of the school year, our Prevention Specialists work within the schools and Clubs and provide small group prevention training, and lead seminars and courses during health class to all students covering topics such as opioid prevention, gang prevention, and crime prevention. This award will allow us to reach more teens and kids to offer prevention curriculum. |
| Brookwood Florida, Inc. | Behavioral Health Programs | \$ 15,000.00 | Funding to address behavioral and mental health issues in resident teen girls' group homes involves a multi-faceted approach with various resources and actions. Through key elements Therapeutic Interventions, Educational and Skill-Building, Behavioral Interventions, Medical and Psychiatric Care, Staff and training development, recreational and social activities and residential environment. These resources and actions collectively aim to address the complex needs of teen girls in group homes, helping them to heal, develop healthy coping mechanisms, and prepare for a successful transition to adulthood. |
| CASA | Law Enforcement Programs | \$ 12,500.00 | Funding to create a training video to be provided to each law enforcement jurisdiction in the County so officers and others responding to domestic violence calls are well prepared. The video can be used to enhance officer training whether they are newly assigned to the unit, or desire a refresher course. |

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| City of Tarpon Springs Police Department | Law Enforcement Programs | \$ 29,277.00 | Funding to purchase a Thermo Fisher TruNarc Handheld Analyzer with a one year warranty, including factory repair, loaner units when available, and 24/7 technical support. The TruNarc Analyzer enables officers to scan more than 530 suspected controlled substances in a single, definitive test. This will assist officers when encountering possible drug abusers and overdose situations. In the past year, officers have responded to 56 overdoses with 10 of those resulting in death. The NARK kits the officers currently use have become substantially expensive due to having to purchase multiple kits for each type of narcotic. The kits also have a shelf life and will expire if not used. The TruNarc Handheld Narcotics Analyzer can quickly identify drugs and keep officers safe from an accidental overdose. This system also will assist in prosecuting cases with an additional source of verification. |
| Gulfcoast Legal Services | Crime Victim and witness programs | \$ 10,018.00 | The funding will address several critical concerns related to the support and empowerment of crime victims, particularly those affected by non-intimate partner sexual violence by providing vital support and advocacy to crime victims and ensuring equitable access to justice. |
| Homeless Empowerment Program | Prevention and Education Program | \$ 50,000.00 | This funding will support emergency shelter and comprehensive support services for Pinellas County's homeless population. The criminalization of homelessness is a growing concern for our community and fails to address the root causes of homelessness and instead exacerbates the problems faced by homeless individuals. It creates a cycle of legal and financial challenges, deteriorates mental and physical health, perpetuates social stigma, and erects barriers to employment and housing. Ex-offenders face numerous challenges when seeking employment, which can significantly hinder their efforts to reintegrate into society and achieve stability. These challenges are multifaceted and can stem from legal, social, and economic barriers, including stigma and discrimination, legal barriers, lack of job skills and work experience, gaps in employment, lack of references, housing instability, mental health, substance abuse, transportation. |
| Life Line Counseling Inc | Behavioral Health Programs | \$ 25,000.00 | This funding will reduce and prevent crime by improving the mental health outcomes and overall well-being of sexual trafficking, assault, and abuse survivors in Pinellas County. Participants will receive essential support and resources to heal from their traumatic experiences, thereby breaking the cycle of crime. |
| MORE Health, Inc | Prevention and Education Program | \$ 25,000.00 | Funding to continue the Firearm Safety/Violence Prevention Project in Pinellas County's public, charter, and private schools. MH instructors will teach the Firearm Safety 1 Lesson, You Can Be a Hero and the middle school lesson, Responsibility, Respect and Reason to Pinellas County students. Applying kinesthetic style teaching methods, the interactive lessons are taught using hands-on visuals and role play to help students develop the skills to help them stay safe in potentially dangerous situations. |
| Operation PAR | Drug Treatment and Enforcement programs | \$ 56,600.00 | Funding from the Pinellas County SAAB JAG program will support enhancements to patient-centered care through the purchase of program equipment to help increase retention and support a larger project focused on expanding program capacity. Specifically, funds are being requested to enhance and upgrade recreational equipment that will be used to encourage physical health, reduce stress and anxiety, and help increase retention in the treatment program. |
| St. Petersburg Police Department | Law Enforcement Programs | \$ 25,451.15 | Funding will ensure that SPPD can respond swiftly and safely, maintaining community safety amid the City's dynamic growth and development. The St. Petersburg Police Department (SPPD) faces access challenges due to rapid population growth, high-rise buildings, and fortified schools, complicating emergency responses. |
| City of Pinellas Park Police Department | Law Enforcement Programs | \$ 12,561.56 | Funding for Department members to specifically deem rifle magazines to be maintained in the training aspect (color coding/secure location), an additional safety step the PPPD will take to ensure no live ammunition or live magazines would be crossed during a training scenario (meant for non-live fire). |
| WestCare Gulfcoast-Florida | Mustard Seed Inn Case Management | \$ 50,000.00 | Funding for 1 FTE Peer Support Case Manager as well as program supplies and associated costs. Case management is provided to all residents to ensure they are linked to all necessary services to help maintain recovery for drugs or alcohol. The resident and Peer Support Case Manager collaboratively develop a Case Plan, which identifies client's problem areas, goals, objectives, and steps achieved during their participation in MSI services. |
| TOTAL REQUESTS | 15 APPLICATIONS* | \$ 434,935.81 | |
| Pinellas County Human Services | Planning Grant Position | \$ 27,083.70 | 10% of the total county award is allocated to Pinellas County for costs associated with administering the grants |