



# Pinellas County

## Staff Report

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### **Subject:**

2022 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant-Countywide related grant administration documents.

### **Recommended Action:**

Approval and execution by the County Administrator of the grant-related administration documents for the 2022 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant-Countywide.

- The JAG-C is a formula-based U.S. Department of Justice pass-through grant administered by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE). It supports projects that help reduce crime and improve the criminal justice system.
- The SAAB reviewed applications for projects to be funded by JAG-C. The selected projects were voted on and recommended by the SAAB on August 15, 2023.
- The JAG-C will provide \$250,805.00 in funding to support eleven (11) projects in Pinellas County.
- The BCC approved the funding recommendations at the September 19, 2023, board meeting, and the County Administrator signed the funding award recommendation letter.
- The actual award acceptance comes after FDLE approves the applications. The attached forms are required as part of the application process. No match required

### **Strategic Plan:**

Ensure Public Health, Safety, and Welfare

2.1 Provide planning, coordination, prevention, and protective services to ensure a safe and secure community

2.2 Be a facilitator, convener, and purchaser of services for those in need

Deliver First Class Services to the Public and Our Customers

5.2 Be responsible stewards of the public's resources

### **Summary:**

The JAG-C is a formula-based pass-through grant of federal funds awarded to Pinellas County by the FDLE through the Bureau of Justice Assistance. JAG-C applications were received through a competitive solicitation and reviewed by the SAAB. On August 15, 2023, the SAAB approved the recommendation of eleven (11) projects for funding.

The grant forms are standard compliance forms and Third-Party Certificate of Subaward, which are required as part of the FDLE application which is due October 2, 2023.

### **Background Information:**

The JAG-C is a recurring DOJ pass-through grant administered by FDLE. JAG-C Projects must fall within a specific federal purpose area that reduces crime and/or improves the criminal justice system. Florida's JAG-C program represents 60% of the state's total federal Justice Assistance Grant award.

The program is governed by Rule 11D-9 of the Florida Administrative Code (Code 11D-9) and funds are allocated to the County based partially on population and crime statistics.

The SAAB was established in 1989 to comply with Code 11D-9, stating Florida counties should appoint a substance abuse policy board that represents all components of the criminal justice system. The SAAB serves in an advisory capacity to the Board of County Commissioners and one of its primary duties is to review applications and recommend projects to be funded by JAG-C.

**Fiscal Impact:**

Funding in an amount not to exceed \$250,805.00 is provided by the JAG-C to support eleven (11) projects in Pinellas County. Of these projects, nine (9) will be administered by Human Services. These projects have a combined total of \$194,305.00.

The City of Largo and the City of Clearwater will administer their own projects directly with FDLE. The City of Largo project total is \$5,000.00 and the City of Clearwater project total is \$51,500.00.

Funding to support this agreement was anticipated and \$196,210.00 is included in the FY24 Budget.

**Delegated Authority:**

Authority for the County Administrator to sign is granted under Code Section 2-62 (a)(1) and 2-62 (a) (4).

**Staff Member Responsible:**

Karen Yatchum, Director, Human Services Director

**Partners:**

ALPHA House of Pinellas County  
City of Largo Police Department  
City of Clearwater Police Department  
Boys & Girls Clubs of the Suncoast  
Community Actions Stops Abuse  
Goodwill Industries Suncoast  
MORE Health  
Recovery Epicenter Foundation  
Van Gogh's Palette dba Vincent House  
WestCare Gulfcoast-Florida  
The Florida Department of Law Enforcement  
U.S. Department of Justice

**Attachments:**

JAG-C Form Certificate of Subaward (8)  
Third-Party Subaward Compliance Checklist (8)