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Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program FY 2014 Local Solicitation
County of El Dorado
Project Abstract
Application Attachment 1

Applicant Name: County of El Dorado

Title of Project:

Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program Fiscal Year 2014 Local Solicitation to assist the El Dorado County law enforcement and criminal justice community to prevent and/or reduce crime.

Project Goals:

1. Educate 8 Detectives from the El Dorado County Sheriff's Office (EDSO) Narcotics team on emerging drug trends, skills to utilize in narcotic investigations and other issues created by illicit drug use, allowing these Detectives to bring this knowledge back to share with other staff. In order to complete this goal, EDSO is proposing to send these Detectives to the 50th California Narcotic Officers' Association (CNOA) Annual Training Institute.
2. Educate 3 Investigators from the El Dorado County District Attorney's (DA) office on current crime trends, including non-traditional organized crime. The DA's office is proposing to send these Investigators to the California District Attorney Investigators' Association (CDAIA) annual conference.
3. To provide the DA's staff with the necessary equipment and supplies to safely carry out their duties. The DA's office is proposing to purchase needed law enforcement tactical equipment and supplies.

Project Identifiers:

- Crime Prevention
- Drugs
- Education
- Equipment – Tactical
- Conferences and Training

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The County of El Dorado

El Dorado County is unique in many ways. Being founded during the Gold Rush, El Dorado County has pride in its rich history which recounts a time of miners, cowboys, and the Wild West. Many areas in the County draw tourists to revisit the exciting time period that brought wealth and notoriety to many historical figures and gold miners. The County has two incorporated cities that thrive on the tourism and outdoor enthusiast markets. The total land area of mostly rural 1,711 square miles lends itself to a unique approach in how the El Dorado County Sheriff's Office (EDSO) enforces the law. Partnerships with the United States Forest Service (USFS), the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA), local, state, and federal task forces, and municipal police departments have enabled EDSO to ensure the safety of all our citizens is never compromised.

The County of El Dorado, California like many other counties is facing many fiscal challenges. The law enforcement departments have been challenged with continuing to provide a high level of service to the public with declining resources.

El Dorado County Sheriff's Office Programs

EDSO was established in 1850 during the peak of the California Gold Rush. As the first Sheriff's Office in California, EDSO continues to be a leader in the law enforcement world and prides itself on staying on the forefront of trends in crime while ensuring the law enforcement needs of our community are met. The mission of EDSO is "to uphold the law through the investigation and enforcement of criminal and civil law, to provide leadership and law enforcement support to allied law enforcement agencies, to deliver consistent and humane treatment to those placed in our care and custody, and to perform these responsibilities in a manner that is responsive to the needs of our community and faithful to the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California." In order to be a leader, uphold the law, and respond to community needs, EDSO staff must attend trainings that educate them on current crime trends, new ideas in investigations, and tools that can be used to make their communities safer.

Due to the rural characteristic of El Dorado County, drug cultivation and manufacture are more easily concealed than in urban or suburban areas. EDSO has a specialized Narcotics team made up of Detectives and Sergeants that are exclusively trained in overt and covert narcotic operations and investigations. Drug-related crime is constantly changing in the types of illicit drugs that are popular, concealment methods, and manufacturing methods. Updated training is vital in keeping these Detectives knowledgeable and safe while performing their duties.

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EDSO has faced challenging fiscal times, as has most of the country. These challenging times have created a need for EDSO to become more efficient and “do more with less”. Because we have been able to maintain high service levels and partner with other agencies and organizations in the community, we have met the challenge head on. However, training budgets are often the first to be cut and EDSO has recommitted to investing in our staff through continued education.

EDSO is proposing the Narcotics Training Project to send 8 Detectives to attend the 50th CNOA Annual Training Institute in Anaheim, CA on November 22-25, 2014. This Training Institute provides important education related to narcotic investigations, drug trends, and drug-related crime. Due to the high cost of this conference, we would not be able to send these Detectives to this training without this grant funding. The Detectives that would attend are assigned to the Narcotics Unit and would gain the knowledge and training needed to complete their jobs. It is critical for these employees to stay current on emerging trends in drug use and acquire the skills necessary to complete narcotic investigations in the safest and most efficient manner while complying with all laws and regulations.

Without this grant funding, EDSO would be unable to send these 8 Detectives to this Training Institute. They would miss out on essential training topics that could create efficiencies within their investigations or educate them on factors regarding their safety in the narcotics field.

EDSO strives to be a leader in law enforcement and does so by offering its staff the tools and resources they need to successfully and efficiently complete their duties. One way to ensure staff has the resources they need is by sending them to quality trainings. This grant would allow EDSO to keep with this tradition of staying on the cutting edge of trends in drug crime and investigations.

El Dorado County District Attorney’s Office Programs

The El Dorado County District Attorney’s (DA) Office is dedicated to objectively and effectively investigating and prosecuting matters under the Law to achieve justice and to minimize trauma to victims. In order to accomplish those goals, the DA’s office strives to provide our personnel with the appropriate training and education on current crime trends and investigative techniques. Additionally, the DA’s office also strives to provide our personnel with adequate and sufficient law enforcement equipment and supplies to ensure that our goals are accomplished safely.

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The DA's Office is facing fiscal challenges as budgets for training and equipment are limited, but the needs for those items has expanded. Additionally, recent state legislation has restricted the employment of experienced retired DA Investigators as extra help employees. In order to mitigate the loss of our experienced and highly trained personnel, the DA's office is seeking to provide additional training to our current investigators. As part of the 2014 JAG grant award the department is requesting approval for use of the funds to send six department personnel to the California District Attorney Investigators' Association Conference and also purchase needed law enforcement tactical equipment and supplies.

In the DA's office the investigators play a pivotal role in both the pre-filing investigations along with post-filing case development. Together working with the Deputy District Attorneys the investigators assist with building criminal cases through interviews with witnesses, crime scene investigation, and corresponding with other involved agencies. Previously, the DA's office employed highly trained and experienced retired investigators as extra help employees. As noted above, recent mandates have eliminated many of those positions. In an effort to improve the level of training for the current investigators, the DA's office respectfully requests funding to send three (3) DA Investigators to the California District Attorney Investigators' Association (CDAIA) conference.

The CDAIA conference is an invaluable training for investigators. The CDAIA conference will provide attendees comprehensive education on current crime trends and investigative techniques. The conference generally provides several presentations, which include actual examples of successful investigations. Each of presentation provides an in depth look at how various District Attorneys' offices handle the presented cases and what tools were utilized in providing a sound investigation and prosecution. This type of training and networking with other law enforcement agencies provides the knowledge and links to resources that are not currently available within the county. The attending investigators will also be able to share their learned skills and contacts with the other personnel in the office.

The DA's office places a premium on accomplishing our goals safely for both the public and our own personnel. A major component of carrying out our duties is the use of effective law enforcement equipment and supplies. The DA's office is currently working to provide our investigators with updated tactical equipment and supplies. Specifically, the investigators would benefit greatly from new batteries for communication equipment, LED rifle lights, and holographic rifle sights. In an effort to provide our personnel with improved tactical resources, the DA's office respectfully requests funding for needed law enforcement equipment and supplies.

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Budget Summary		
Budget Category	Amount	Cost
A. Personnel	\$0	
B. Fringe Benefits	\$0	
C. Travel	\$16,963.00	
D. Equipment	\$0	
E. Supplies	\$6,755.00	
F. Construction	\$0	
G. Consultants / Contracts	\$0	
H. Other	\$0	
I. Indirect Costs	\$0	
Total Project Costs	\$23,718.00	
Project Total		\$23,718.00
Federal Request		\$18,825.00
Non-Federal Amount		\$4,893.00

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F. Construction	
Construction Total	\$0

G. Consultants/Contracts	
Consultants/Contracts Total	\$0

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	Mileage	0	Mile				\$0.00		
	Airfare	\$0	Roundtrip				\$0.00		
	Registration	\$250.00		1	3	1	\$750.00		
	Subtotal						\$2,643.00		
								Travel Total	\$16,963.00

D. Equipment	
	Equipment Total
	\$0

E. Supplies				
Supply Items	Computation			Cost
	Units	Cost per Unit	Cost	
EX600 Portable Radio Batteries	25	\$35.00	\$875.00	
UTG EL268 LED Rifle Lights	12	\$50.00	\$600.00	
Eotech HHS-2 Holographic Rifle Sights	6	\$880.00	\$5,280.00	
Subtotal			\$6,755.00	
				Supplies Total
				\$6,755.00

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A. Personnel	
	Personnel Total \$0

B. Fringe Benefits	
	Fringe Benefits Total \$0

C. Travel									
Purpose of Travel	Location	Computation							Cost
		Item	Cost Rate	Basis for Rate	Quantity	Number of People	Number of Trips	Cost	
CNOA Annual Training Institute	Anaheim, CA	Lodging	\$185.00	Night	4	8	1	\$5,920.00	
		Meals	\$40.00	Day	5	8	1	\$1,600.00	
		Mileage	0	Mile				\$0.00	
		Airfare	\$250.00	Roundtrip		8	1	\$2,000.00	
		Registration	\$600.00		1	8	1	\$4,800.00	
		Subtotal						\$14,320.00	
CDAIA Conference	Olympic Valley, CA	Lodging	\$189.00	Night	3	3	1	\$1,701.00	
		Meals	\$32.00	Day	2	3	1	\$192.00	

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El Dorado County's request for Federal funding totals \$18,825. The project costs will total \$23,718, and will require non-Federal funding totaling \$4,893.

The El Dorado County Sheriff's Office is requesting \$9,427 to partially fund sending 8 Detectives to the CNOA Annual Training Institute. The remaining \$4,893 would be funded by California Multi-Jurisdictional Methamphetamine Enforcement Team (CalMMET) special revenue funds. The funding would cover lodging, meals, airfare, and registration fees.

The El Dorado District Attorney's Office is requesting \$9,398 to fund sending 3 District Attorney Investigators to the California District Attorney Investigator's Association Conference and to fund purchasing law enforcement tactical equipment and supplies.

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Review Narrative
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The El Dorado County Law and Justice Functional Group is comprised of the Sheriff's Department, the District Attorney's Department, the Probation Department and the Public Defender's Department. Justice Assistance Grant opportunities are reviewed by the functional group and recommended to the Board of Supervisors by the Chief Administrative Office on behalf of the functional group.

For the 2014 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant the functional group recommended using the 2014 grant funding to send eight (8) Detectives from the El Dorado County Sheriff's Office Narcotics team to the 50th California Narcotic Officers' Association Annual Training Institute, send three (3) District Attorney Investigators to the California District Attorney Investigators' Association annual conference, and purchase law enforcement supplies for the District Attorney's Office.

The County of El Dorado intends to make its Fiscal Year 2014 JAG application available to the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors for its review and comment on June 24, 2014.

The application has not yet been made available for public comment. The County of El Dorado intends to make its Fiscal Year 2014 JAG application available to the public for comment on June 24, 2014.

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Applicant Disclosure of Pending Applications
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The County of El Dorado, which includes the Sherrif's and District Attorney's offices, does not have pending applications submitted for federally funded grants or subgrants that include requests for funding to support the same project being proposed under this solicitation and will cover the identical cost items outlined in the budget narrative and worksheet application under this solicitation.

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Applicant Disclosure of High Risk Status
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The County of El Dorado, which includes the Sheriff's and District Attorney's offices, is not currently designated high risk by another federal grant making agency, including any status requiring additional oversight by a federal agency due to past programmatic or financial concerns.



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Year	Application No.	Status	Correspondence	Action
2014	2014-H2889-CA-DJ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application submitted on 06/10/2014 Application is currently in progress 	No Messages Compose message	View

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Year	Application No.	Status	Correspondence	Action
2012	2012-H3292-CA-DJ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application submitted on 05/11/2012 	No Messages Compose message	View

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2011	2011-H5685-CA-DJ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application submitted on 07/19/2011 	No Messages Compose message	View

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2010	2010-H8959-CA-DJ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application submitted on 07/19/2010 	No Messages Compose message	View

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2009	2009-H2586-CA-DJ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application submitted on 07/08/2009 	No Messages Compose message	View

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Year	Application No.	Status	Correspondence	Action
2009	2009-G7647-CA-SB R	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application submitted on 07/07/2009 	No Messages Compose message	View

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Year	Application No.	Status	Correspondence	Action
2008	2008-F8120-CA-DJ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application submitted on 07/08/2008 	No Messages Compose message	View

2007 Justice Assistance Grant Program

Year	Application No.	Status	Correspondence	Action
2007	2007-F3974-CA-DJ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application submitted on 06/29/2007 	No Messages Compose message	View

FY 2006 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program

Year	Application No.	Status	Correspondence	Action
2006	2006-F2648-CA-DJ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application submitted on 03/02/2006 	No Messages Compose message	View

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