COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 10/6/2026

File #: 26-968

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Sheriff

Agenda Section: Consent

Vote Requirement: Majority

SUBJECT:
Governing Body Resolution for Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program Local 2026 Award, and if Awarded, Authorization to Execute Documents and Accept Grant Funds

RECOMMENDATION(S):
That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the resolution (Attachment 1) authorizing the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) to submit the governing body resolution for the Edward Byrne Memorial JAG Program Local 2026 grant application; and
2. If awarded, authorize the County Administrative Officer, the Sheriff, and the Sheriff's Deputy Director of Financial and Support Services to accept grant funds and sign any documents required by the Department of Justice - Office of Justice Programs for participation in the program; and
3. Authorize the County Administrative Officer to sign the Edward Byrne Memorial JAG Program Local 2026 Award Solicitation Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Application Government (Attachment 2); and
4. Direct the Clerk of the Board to return a completed and signed copy of the resolution to the HCSO in email formats, Attention: Lucinda Jackson, for submittal to the funding agency.

STRATEGIC PLAN:
This action supports the following areas of your Board's Strategic Plan.

Area of Focus: Safe & Healthy Communities
Strategic Plan Category: 9999 - Core Services/Other

DISCUSSION:
The Edward Byrne Memorial JAG Program was authorized under 34 U.S.C, Section 10151-10158 to provide funding to state and local jurisdictions. Some of the program's focus areas include law enforcement, prosecution, indigent defense, courts, crime prevention and education, and corrections and community corrections. This funding is offered through annual solicitations. The HCSO has been awarded Edward Byrne Memorial JAG Program funding under different programs for many years. The 2018 grant cycle was the first time the HCSO applied for and received funding under the Edward Byrne Memorial JAG Program Local Solicitation; the HCSO has applied for and received funding each year since.

The maximum allowable award amount for the Edward Byrne Memorial JAG Program Local 2026 award is $15,980. If awarded it will be used to assist with the purchase of Stop Stick kits. Stop sticks are a critical law enforcement tool that combines safety, efficiency, and control to manage high-speed vehicle pursuits effectively. Stop sticks, also known as spike strips or tire deflation devices, are tools designed to puncture a vehicle's tires in a controlled manner, allowing law enforcement officers to safely end dangerous pursuits without causing a sudden blowout that could lead to accidents. They are widely used by police agencies across the United

States and internationally.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:
United States Department of Justice (1100-221911)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Expenditures (1100,221911)	**FY26-27**
Budgeted Expenses	$0
Supplemental Budget if Awarded	$15,980
Total Expenditures	$15,980

**Projected amounts are estimates and are subject to change.*

Funding Sources (1100, 221911)	**FY26-27**
State/Federal Funds	$15,980
Total Funding Sources	$15,980

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Narrative Explanation of Financial Impact:
The HCSO has received funding awards from the Edward Byrne Memorial JAG Program Local since 2018 ranging from $16,700 to $25,000. The current 2026 allocation is $15,980. Grant funds will be applied to purchase 32 Stop Stick kits. The unit cost for each kit is approximately $500. There is no match required for this grant. If awarded, HCSO will return to your Board for a supplemental budget.

STAFFING IMPACT:
There will be no staffing impact on current staffing levels.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:
United States Department of Justice

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:
Your Board may choose not to apply for this funding award. This is not recommended as it may result in loss of future Edward Byrne Memorial JAG Program Local funding and will increase the HCSO dependency on general fund contributions for critical law enforcement tools.

ATTACHMENTS:
Attachment 1: BOS Resolution No.
Attachment 2: Certification & Assurances

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:
Meeting of: 06/02/2020, 11/29/2022, 03/17/2026, 04/14/2026
File No.: 20-643, 22-1573, 26-254, 26-325