

# **EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG)**

## **FY 2022 APPLICATION**

### **PROJECT: Traffic Safety Enhancement**

#### **GOALS:**

To purchase new equipment and technology that will improve our proactive policing efforts, while increasing transparency, promoting professional policing practices, and continuing to exceed national standards for law enforcement accreditation. The goal is to reduce traffic crime and enhance officer safety while improving community communication and trust between police and the community.

#### **OBJECTIVES:**

The objectives of this program are to enhance our patrol and traffic investigation capabilities through the purchase of new equipment and technology. It is the goal of the Hallandale Beach Police Department to improve our Patrol Divisions capabilities to conduct proactive policing, be an informed stakeholder in the community, and assist our citizens during emergency situations.

#### **IDENTIFIERS:**

- **Officer Safety**
- **Policing**

- **Equipment-General**
- **Technology**

**PROJECT NARRATIVE:**

The JAG funds in the amount of \$16,590 will be used to purchase and implement safety and communications equipment to enhance our effectiveness and reach while proactively policing crime in the target areas.

The goal of this program is to enhance the department's effectiveness and increase public safety. This equipment is essential to creating a forum for transmitting important emergency information out to the community for day-to-day operations and in times of emergency. Combined with training and organizational changes, the message board will improve proactive policing outcomes to combat crime and traffic in the target area.

**STATEMENT OF THE PROBLEM:**

Recent events show the need for continual communication with the community. From testing sites to vaccination locations, real-time information is vital to the citizens of Hallandale Beach along with those who travel to the area.

With the continual growth of Hallandale Beach's population, there is a continual concern for drivers and pedestrians within and around our roadways. As of July, the Hallandale Beach Police Department reports (8) eight Traffic Homicides Investigations. The use of a message board with a built-in speed measurement device would allow for notification to drivers of upcoming road hazards and selective enforcement based on quantifiable data that could increase safety for drivers.

**PROJECT DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION:**

The Hallandale Police Department intends to purchase a smart trailer message board. This trailer can be transported throughout the City where it can be utilized to transfer information to the community. Also built into the trailer is a speed measuring device that will allow Patrol Operations to capture vehicle speeds within a given area and time.

**CAPABILITIES AND COMPETENCIES:**

The Hallandale Beach Police Department has received and successfully managed grant funding from multiple sources. The grant-funded project will be managed by Captain Aaron Smith who has 19 years of experience and will oversee implementation and training. Administrative support will be provided Ronisha Bennet has of 5 experience providing administering grants. The City's Grants Office will provide accounting, compliance, and audit support to the Police Department.

**PLAN FOR COLLECTING DATA:**

Data will be collected as follows:

1. Speed trailer surveys collected during the life of the grant.
2. The Police Department will capture the location and use of the trailer throughout the life of the grant.

**DISCLOSURE OF HIGH-RISK STATUS:**

The City of Hallandale Beach does not have a high-risk status with any agency.

**DISCLOSURE of LOBBYING:**

None.

**DISCLOSURE OF PENDING APPLICATIONS:**

The City does not have any pending applications for the same funding/project with DOJ.

**LOCAL GOVERNING BODY REVIEW:**

The City of Hallandale Beach posted our 2022 JAG Local announcement on our City website on July 26, 2022, and requested public input on this application. Attached to this application is proof of posting.