

**Grant Proposal:
American Recovery & Reinvestment Act of 2009 Justice Assistance Grant Program**

Abstract

The City of Asheboro Police Department is seeking 2010 Recovery Act JAG funds for the Mobile Data Project. The goal of this project is to continue placing mobile data terminals (MDTs) in police cars in order to allow officers access to vital records and information. Placing this technology in the car allows officers to complete tasks while in the field, rather than behind a desk at the police station. JAG funding will be used to purchase the equipment for 10 MDTs, including 10 laptop computers, 10 laptop desks, 10 printers and 10 air cards. In addition, the department proposes using drug seizure funds to continue expanding and improving the MDT program by purchasing additional MDT units, software and air cards.

Program Narrative

The City of Asheboro Police Department, like many law enforcement agencies across the county, has been slowly implementing a mobile data program for police vehicles for the past several years. As funds become available, the City purchases Mobile Data Terminals (MDTs) consisting of rugged laptop computers, printers and other equipment to allow officers to spend more time in the field and on the streets than behind a desk at a police station. During the 2009-2010 fiscal year, the City was unable to purchase any MDTs due to budget restrictions.

To date, the Asheboro Police Department has 29 police cruisers which are equipped with MDTs and are capable of running vehicle registration and driver information checks and can be used to complete various reports in the field. Unfortunately, the slow modem speed of the current terminals can limit the ability to perform information checks and there is no way to electronically submit reports. The Department is proposing the purchase of additional MDT units, air cards for improved network connection and new software using a combination of 2010 Recovery Act JAG funds and Department drug seizure funds.

The 2010 Recovery Act JAG funds allocated to the City of Asheboro, NC will be used to purchase 10 mobile data terminals, including 10 laptop computers, 10 air cards, 10 laptop desks and 10 printers. Drug forfeiture funds will be used to purchase an additional 25 laptop computers, 40 air cards (to put in new units and to update existing units), 25 laptop desks and 25 printers. The combined funding will add 35 new MDT systems and update 14 existing systems, giving the Department a total of 50 cruisers equipped with compatible MDT systems. The equipment

proposed for purchase will be used in only marked police cars, including those for traffic, patrol and street-crimes staff.

Using the air cards rather than a traditional modem allows quick access to the department's database and NCIC information. This means that an officer responding to a call or conducting a traffic stop will be able to pull information on prior incidents involving an address or person – information that may allow that officer better knowledge of how to approach a potentially dangerous situation.

In addition to the equipment purchase, the Police Department will use drug seizure funds to purchase Spillman Mobile Law Forms and Spillman Mobile Client Software. These systems will allow officers in the 50 MDT-equipped police cruisers the ability to transfer reporter information to their supervisors to be reviewed and forwarded to the records division for final recording in the Department's records-management software. This will render the reporting system almost paperless, reducing paper and copying expenses within the department and reducing waste.

The Spillman Mobile Client Software and the MDTs allow for live computer-aided dispatch (CAD) which can allow a supervisor to monitor activity on shift and can be easier for an officer to understand than traditional radio dispatch. A GPS feature in the system allows dispatchers to see which unit is closest to an incoming call, allowing for a more efficient way to allocate resources. These features combine to increase officer safety and provide a more efficient work

environment so that officers can spend more time within the community rather than in the police station completing paperwork.

The project will be divided into two phases. Phase one will involve the purchase and installation of all MDT equipment. It is expected that the units purchased using JAG funds will be acquired and installed within 2-6 months from the time funding is received. Phase II of the project will involve the purchase of software. The timeline for this phase will be based on internal City Council and Finance processes, but should take no longer than 6 months from the time funding is approved.

The Finance Office for the City of Asheboro will create a line item within the City’s budget for tracking of this grant. The Police Department will work closely with the Finance Office on the tracking of grant funds.

Performance Measure	Expected Results	Reporting
Recovery Act: Number of jobs saved through grant program	The Police Department expects to save no jobs through this funding.	The City will provide numerical reporting as required.
Recovery Act: Number of jobs created by grant program	The Police Department expects to create no jobs through this funding.	The City will provide numerical reporting as required.
#39 – Amount of ARRA JAG	The City will use the	The City will provide numerical

funds used to purchase equipment and/or supplies	\$29,329 allocated by the JAG program.	reporting as required.
#40 – Indicate the number by types of equipment and/or supplies purchased with ARRA JAG funds	City will purchase 10 laptop computers, 10 air cards, 10 laptop desks and 10 printers	The City will provide numerical reporting as required.
#42 – Percent of staff that directly benefit from equipment or supplies purchased by ARRA JAG funds, who report a desired change in their job performance.	Staff is expected to report an increase in productivity and less time spent in station completing incident reports.	The City will require officers with new equipment to complete a report or survey on the impact of equipment purchase.

Budget Worksheet - 2009 ARRA JAG Grant

Equipment -

Non-expendable items to be purchased (Tangible property having a useful life of more than 2 years and an acquisition cost of \$5,000 or more per unit)

Item	Computation	Budgeted Expense
Spillman Mobile Law Forms	Mobile Law Forms for 50 Clients	\$64,878.00
Spillman Mobile Client Software	Mobile Software for 50 Clients	\$54,335.00
<hr/> TOTAL		\$119,213.00

Supplies -

Expendable equipment items costing less than \$5,000

Item	Computation	Budgeted Expense
Air Cards	Air cards for 50 mobile data terminals at \$50/card	\$2,500.00
Dell Laptop Computers	35 mobile computers at \$2,000/unit	\$70,000.00
F1500 Jotto Laptop Desk	35 desks at a cost of \$325/unit	\$11,375.00
Pentax Pocket Jet 3 Mobile Printer	35 Pentax printers at a cost of \$550/unit	\$19,250.00
<hr/> TOTAL		\$103,125.00

Budget Summary - 2009 ARRA JAG Grant

EXPENSES

Equipment	\$119,213.00
Supplies	\$103,125.00
Total Project Costs	\$222,338.00

FUNDING

Federal Request	\$29,329.00
Non-Federal Amount*	\$193,009.00
Total Funding	\$222,338.00

*Non-Federal Amount = City funding available from Drug Forfeiture Funds (?)

Review Narrative

City Council was informed of the Police Department's intent to apply for this grant during a January 7, 2010 regular City Council meeting. The proposed equipment purchase and the costs associated were discussed. The complete JAG Application was made available for review by City Council on Thursday, January 7, 2010. The application was not completed in time for the council to review the application 30 days prior to submittal.

The application was made public via a notice on the City's web site, posted on Friday, January 8, 2010. A notice about the opportunity for public comment on the grant application was also submitted to the local newspaper on Friday, January 8, 2000. Citizens were invited to comment by contacting the City's Marketing Specialist any time during this 10-day period prior to grant submission.

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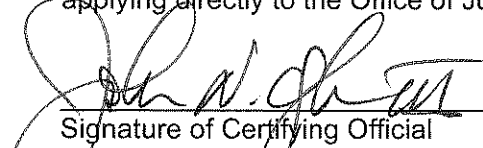
Certification as to Recovery Act Reporting Requirements

On behalf of the applicant entity named below, I certify the following to the Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice:

I have personally read and reviewed the section entitled "Accountability and Transparency under the Recovery Act" in the program announcement for the Recovery Act grant program identified above. I have also read and reviewed section 1512(c) of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Public Law 111-5), concerning reporting requirements for grants. I agree that the applicant will comply with the reporting requirements set forth therein with respect to any grant the applicant may receive under the Recovery Act grant program identified above.

I acknowledge that a false statement in this certification may be subject to criminal prosecution, including under 18 U.S.C. § 1001. I also acknowledge that Office of Justice Program grants, including certifications provided in connection with such grants, are subject to review by the Office of Justice Programs, and/or by the Department of Justice's Office of the Inspector General.

I have authority to make this certification on behalf of the applicant entity (that is, the entity applying directly to the Office of Justice Programs).



Signature of Certifying Official

JOHN N. OGBURN, III

Printed Name of Certifying Official

CITY MANAGER

Title of Certifying Official

CITY OF ASHEBORO

Full Name of Applicant Entity

January 8, 2010

Date

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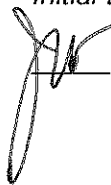
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General Certification as to Requirements for Receipt of Funds
for Infrastructure Investments

On behalf of the applicant State or unit of local government (including tribal government) named below, I certify the following to the Office of Justice Programs ("OJP"), U.S. Department of Justice:

I have personally read and reviewed the section entitled "Eligibility" in the program announcement for the Recovery Act grant program named above. I also have personally read and reviewed section 1511 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (the "Recovery Act"), which requires a specific certification prior to receipt of Recovery Act funds for infrastructure investments.

Initial the statement that applies:



The applicant identified below **does not intend to use** any portion of any funds received under this Recovery Act grant program for any infrastructure investment. Should this intention change, the applicant will promptly notify OJP, and (except to the extent, if any, that OJP has given prior written approval to expend funds to conduct the review and vetting required by law) will not draw down, obligate, or expend any funds received under this Recovery Act program for any infrastructure investment project until section 1511 of the Recovery Act has been satisfied, and an adequate project-specific certification has been executed, posted, and submitted to OJP.

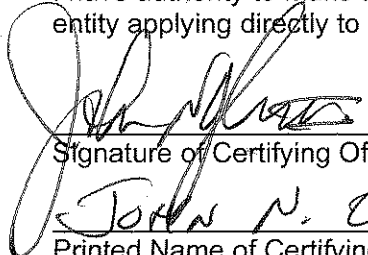
_____ The applicant identified below **does intend to use** some or all of any funds received under this Recovery Act grant program for one or more infrastructure investment projects. Except to the extent, if any, that OJP has given prior written approval to expend funds to conduct the review and vetting required by law, I agree that the applicant entity will execute, post, and submit to OJP, prior to obligating, expending, or drawing down funds for such project, a project-specific certification that satisfies all of the requirements of section 1511 (including execution by the Governor, mayor, or other chief executive, as appropriate) for each such infrastructure investment project.

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Signature of Certifying Official
JOHN N. OGBURN, JR.

Printed Name of Certifying Official
CITY MANAGER

Title of Certifying Official
CITY OF ASHBORNE

Full Name of Applicant Government Entity
January 8, 2010

Date