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Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Strategic Plan Update

Summary

This agenda item provides information on the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) multi-year strategic planning process and tentative timeline.

Background

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) is federally administered by the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA). BJA requires states to have a five-year strategic plan and state strategy that is designed with public input. The JAG program currently has eight Program Purpose Areas:

1. Law enforcement
2. Prosecution and court programs
3. Prevention and education programs
4. Corrections and community corrections
5. Drug treatment and enforcement
6. Crime victim and witness initiatives
7. Planning, evaluation and technology improvement programs
8. Mental health programs and related law enforcement and correctional programs

On September 12, 2019 the Board authorized staff to initiate a strategic planning process for the next JAG cycle beginning on October 1, 2022. The BSCC will meet all JAG grant requirements by gathering public input on funding priority areas from the state's diverse stakeholders through listening sessions and written public comments. Those results will be converted into a survey that will be administered statewide. The survey responses will be presented to the Board to assist the Board on the formation of the state strategy and the completion of the grant development process.

BSCC will partner with the National Criminal Justice Association (NCJA) to assist in conducting national research, listening sessions and a statewide survey. Attached is the tentative timeline for the JAG strategic planning process.

Attachments

Info-1: JAG Timeline