

## Lori Stelzer

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**Sent:** Thursday, August 07, 2014 4:20 PM  
**To:** John Holic; Edward Lavallee  
**Cc:** 'rkeefe@venicegov.com'; Lori Stelzer; Tom McNulty  
**Subject:** RE: JAG Support Letter Requested  
**Attachments:** JAG 51% Support Letter Venice.docx

Good Afternoon,

It's that time of year again! The Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Countywide money has been designated annually to support system-wide criminal justice programs within the county. In previous years these grant funds have supported the Juvenile Assessment Center and/or Mental Health Court depending on the award level. For FY 2015, the award amount is \$120,879 which reflects a \$3,010 reduction from the prior year.

In anticipation of the upcoming award, the Criminal Justice Commission voted on June 9, 2014, to allocate the entire award to continue funding Mental Health Court as it did in FY 2014.

As you are aware, the JAG County program requires a support letter from 51% of the governmental jurisdictions within the County. I respectfully request a support letter from your jurisdiction for the funds to support the Mental Health Court. This does not, of course, have any effect on any JAG funds you may receive directly. This action pertains only to the JAG Countywide funds.

I have provided a sample support letter in a word format so that it can be printed off on city letterhead and returned to me (**a scanned electronic version of the signed letter is requested**) at your earliest convenience, but no later than **Thursday, August 21, 2014**. Please advise if anything else is required of me in order to expedite this request.

Thank you for your assistance.

Respectfully,

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