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Subject: JAG Support Letter Requested (grant deadline 7/31/16)  
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 Mental Health Court. For FY 2016, the award amount is \$117,533 which reflects a \$11,321 (11%) increase from the prior year. In anticipation of the upcoming award, the Criminal Justice Commission voted on April 25, 2016, to allocate the entire award to continue funding Mental Health Court.

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 Friday, July 27, 2016. 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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