



ATHENS-CLARKE COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT

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ACCPD Requests 2018 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)

The Athens-Clarke County Police Department will request \$40,715 from the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program in 2018. If received, the grant will be used to fund FLIR (night imaging for search and rescue) for assignment to the patrol shifts, an inter-operative radio, enhanced telecommunications unit for incidence response and negotiations, graphics and equipment upgrades to the Community Outreach Unit's trailer, and upgrades to the Mobile Command Vehicle to include network switch, emergency lighting, and back-up camera.

The Edward Byrne Memorial JAG Program allows states, tribes, and local governments to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime based on their own local needs and conditions. JAG funds can be used for local initiatives, technical assistance, strategic planning, research and evaluation (including forensics), data collection, training, personnel, equipment, forensic laboratories, supplies, contractual support, and information systems for criminal justice.

As required by the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Athens-Clarke County is conducting a public hearing to solicit citizen comments and/or suggestions on projects to be funded prior to deciding how the funds will be used in ACC's efforts to prevent and control crime.

The public comment session is scheduled for Monday, August 20, 2018, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the Community Room of the Athens-Clarke County Police Department which is located at 3035 Lexington Rd., Athens, GA 30605.

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