



**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Galveston County Commissioners' Court  
**From:** Grants Administration  
**Court Date:** May 11th, 2026  
**RE:** FY 2025 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)

**BACKGROUND**

Each year Congress appropriates funding for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program. The US Bureau of Justice Statistics determines distribution through a formula that takes violent crime statistics and population into account. Eligible jurisdictions change every year, and the funds are distributed to those communities in need of additional assistance meeting funding and criminal justice needs.

**SUMMARY**

For FY 2025, Galveston County and the City of Galveston have qualified for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) and intend to share the allocation. Galveston County will serve as the applicant and fiscal agent on behalf of the local jurisdictions. The total allocation for FY 2025 is \$33,136, of which \$11,175 is allocated to Galveston County and \$21,961 is allocated to the City of Galveston, as determined by the JAG formula.

**FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

Galveston County	\$11,175.00
City of Galveston	\$21,961.00
County Match:	\$0.00
Total Project Cost:	\$33,136.00

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

Grants Administration requests the Court to consider approval and ratification of the submission of the FY 2025 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Application.