



## **CITY OF SALINAS COUNCIL STAFF REPORT**

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**DATE:** JULY 1, 2025

**DEPARTMENT:** SALINAS POLICE DEPARTMENT

**FROM:** CARLOS ACOSTA, CHIEF OF POLICE

**BY:** TONYA ERICKSON, POLICE SERVICES ADMINISTRATOR

**TITLE:** 2024 JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT ACCEPTANCE AND MOU  
WITH COUNTY OF MONTEREY

### **RECOMMENDED MOTION:**

- a) Adopt a resolution accepting the 2024 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) in the amount of \$74,970 and delegating authority to the City Manager to execute the grant agreement, additional amendments, and all related documents to effectuate the grant;
- b) Delegating authority to the City Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding between the City and County of Monterey for activities related to the 2024 JAG; and
- c) Adopt the following appropriation and funding source amendments:
  - 1. Establish the 2024 JAG Grant expense appropriation to the Police Department in the amount of \$74,970; and
  - 2. Increase the Intergovernmental estimated revenue budget by \$74,970.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The Salinas Police Department, serving as Fiscal Agent for the 2024 Justice Assistance Grant with sub-awardee Monterey County Sheriff's Department, has been selected to receive the grant award of \$74,970. The Department is requesting that City Council accept the grant, establish the appropriation and corresponding revenue budget, and execute the associated MOU with the County of Monterey.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program allows local governments to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime based on their local needs and conditions. The formula for allocating JAG funds is based on the FBI's Uniform Crime Report

(UCR) and National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) crime data. The formula for JAG result in an allocation of funds referred to as a disparate allocation. This occurs when a city or municipality is scheduled to receive an amount one and one-half times greater than a county with concurrent jurisdiction. This JAG grant includes the City of Salinas and the County of Monterey. Jurisdictions certified as disparate must submit a joint application for the aggregate of funds allocated to them, specifying the amounts and purposes of the funds that are to be distributed to each of the units of local government. A Memorandum of Understanding must be completed, signed, and submitted to the Office of Justice Programs, indicating which agency will serve as the applicant/fiscal agent for the joint funds. The City of Salinas will serve as applicant/fiscal agent. The total allocation for both jurisdictions is \$74,970. The City of Salinas Police Department will receive \$55,842 and the Monterey County Sheriff's Department will receive \$19,128.

The prepared Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) details the distribution of funds and names the City of Salinas as the fiscal agent for the grant. The Resolutions authorize the execution of all grant approval documents, the establishment of the 2024 JAG appropriation and related revenue budget to support grant activities, and the execution of the MOU between the City and the County. The City of Salinas portion of the grant is to be allocated to support the purchase of License Plate Reader (LPR) camera systems to maintain our capabilities to solve a variety of crimes throughout the City. The Sheriff's Department portion of the grant is to be allocated to purchase new laptops and associated accessories for Patrol Field Training Officers, as well as screen protectors for the CF33 tablets installed in Patrol vehicle. Spending plan modifications are allowable if approved by the Office of Justice Program.

The Police Department is requesting that City Council authorize the acceptance of the 2024 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) and execution of all necessary documents to effectuate the grant. We are also asking for authorization to establish the 2024 JAG Grant expense appropriation and corresponding revenue budget up to \$74,970 to support grant activities. Finally, the Police Department is asking that City Council delegate authority to the City Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding between the City and County of Monterey for activities related to the 2024 JAG.

#### CEQA CONSIDERATION:

**Not a Project.** The City of Salinas has determined that the proposed action is not a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (CEQA Guidelines Section 15378).

#### CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE §84308 APPLIES:

**No.** The City of Salinas has determined that Government Code §84308/Levine Act does apply to this item.

#### STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVE:

Approving the proposed Resolution will support the City Council's Strategic Plan Goal of Public Safety.

**DEPARTMENTAL COORDINATION:**

The Police Department has coordinated with the Legal Department on the MOU and will coordinate with the Legal and Finance Department during implementation.

**FISCAL AND SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT:**

Proposed funding from the 2024 Justice Assistance Grant is \$74,970. No matching funds are required from the City of Salinas to receive the grant funds, and the Resolution authorizes the establishment of an appropriation and corresponding revenue budget to support grant activities.

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Appropriation</b>	<b>Appropriation Name</b>	<b>Total Appropriation</b>	<b>Amount for recommendation</b>	<b>FY 24-25 Operating Budget Page</b>	<b>Last Budget Action (Date, Resolution)</b>
3161	tbd	tbd	\$0	\$74,970	n/a	n/a

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Resolution - 2024 JAG Acceptance and MOU  
Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) – 2024 JAG  
2024 JAG Award Package