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POLICE DEPARTMENT

COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION  
FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES



HARVEY M. BECKER  
CHIEF OF POLICE

May 27, 2010

To: Citizens of Goose Creek

Subj.: Invitation for Public Comment

The Goose Creek Police Department has been allotted \$10,790 by the Federal Bureau of Justice Assistance under the 2010 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Formula Program.

The Goose Creek Police Department proposes to allocate this funding for the purchase of two (2) mobile video recording (MVR) systems to be placed in patrol vehicles currently not equipped. This will further implement the agency's efforts to install MVR systems in all agency patrol and traffic vehicles. These systems are proven to provide crucial evidence for prosecuting criminal offenses and indisputable evidence in claims against both the agency and its officers.

Attached is a copy of our application for funding. I welcome public comment and input on our intended use of these funds. You may contact me by dialing (843) 863-5200 ext. 309 or e-mail me directly at [hbecker@cityofgoosecreek.com](mailto:hbecker@cityofgoosecreek.com). Our application must be filed with the Bureau of Justice Assistance no later than 5:00 p.m. June 30, 2010. You may visit [www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/](http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/) for more information.

Sincerely,

Harvey Becker  
Chief of Police

cc: Grant File

<b>APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE</b>	2. DATE SUBMITTED	Applicant Identifier
1. TYPE OF SUBMISSION  Application Non-Construction	3. DATE RECEIVED BY STATE	State Application Identifier
	4. DATE RECEIVED BY FEDERAL AGENCY	Federal Identifier
<b>5. APPLICANT INFORMATION</b>		
Legal Name  City of Goose Creek	Organizational Unit  Police Department	
Address  P.O. Drawer 1768 Goose Creek, South Carolina 29445-1768	Name and telephone number of the person to be contacted on matters involving this application  Grainger, John (843) 863-5200	
6. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN)  57-6008064	7. TYPE OF APPLICANT  Municipal	
8. TYPE OF APPLICATION  New	9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY  Bureau of Justice Assistance	
10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE  NUMBER: 16.738 CFDA EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE TITLE: ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM	11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT  Mobile Video Recording (MVR) Systems	
12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT  Police Patrols and Traffic Enforcement		
13. PROPOSED PROJECT Start Date: October 01, 2010 End Date: September 30, 2011	14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF  a. Applicant b. Project SC01	
15. ESTIMATED FUNDING		16. IS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?  This preapplication/application was made available to the state executive order 12372 process for
Federal	\$10,790	
Applicant	\$1,670	
State	\$0	
Local	\$0	

Other	\$0	review on 05/27/2010
Program Income	\$0	17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT?
TOTAL	\$12,460	
18. TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, ALL DATA IN THIS APPLICATION PREAPPLICATION ARE TRUE AND CORRECT, THE DOCUMENT HAS BEEN DULY AUTHORIZED BY GOVERNING BODY OF THE APPLICANT AND THE APPLICANT WILL COMPLY WITH THE ATTACHED ASSURANCES IF THE ASSISTANCE IS REQUIRED.		

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Application #2010-H6953-SC-DJ  
2010 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Formula  
Program**

**Program Narrative**

The City of Goose Creek is situated within Berkeley County (SC) on the northern borders of the City of North Charleston and the City of Hanahan. The remaining borders of the City abut unincorporated areas of Charleston County and unincorporated areas of Berkeley County. The City of Goose Creek is experiencing tremendous growth in both geography and citizenry as the corporate limits now exceed 41 square miles and the City serves in excess of 37,000 residents. As of February 1, 2010, the City of Goose Creek Police Department (GCPD) employs 65 sworn police officers and 26 civilian support personnel and maintains a fleet of 77 vehicles.

The Goose Creek Police Department currently utilizes mobile video recording (MVR) systems in its patrol and traffic enforcement vehicles. These systems have proven to provide crucial evidence in criminal prosecutions as well as in defense of claims against the agency and its officers. In recent years, additional vehicles have been added to the fleet without the benefit of funding for mobile video recording systems for those vehicles. At present, twenty (20) MVR systems would be required to outfit the remaining vehicle fleet. Two (2) MVR systems meeting the City's specifications can be purchased and installed with the JAG funding allotted for the City.

MVR systems will be solicited from domestic vendors by way of the South Carolina Contract for Goods and Services or competitive bidding (as specified by City policy). Programming and installation would be accomplished by way of the City's contract vendor, a local communications firm.

The City's Finance Director will ensure that accounting procedures are implemented to track the receipt of funding and all expenditures related to such funding separate from the City's finances and other funding sources to include unrelated state and/or federal grants.

It is anticipated that the MVR systems can be procured and installed within thirty (30) to forty-five (45) days. The MVR systems will be operational upon installation and officers will be able to immediately use them to capture video of their activities.

The performance measure for this project would be the use of the MVR systems to prosecute driving under the influence cases.

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**Budget and Budget Narrative**

<u>Budget Category</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Item/Purpose</u>
Equipment	\$10,970 (Federal) \$1,670 (Local)	Mobile Video Recording (MVR) systems x2

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MVR systems will be procured in accordance with the procedures established by the City of Goose Creek. Those procedures involve obtaining at least three (3) competitive bids or the utilization of vendor(s) identified by the State of South Carolina Budget and Control Board's Material Management Office's State Contract. Final approval for expenditures of \$10,000 or more require a public hearing before City Council.

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**Review Narrative**

This JAG application was made available to the City Administrator on Thursday, May 27, 2010. The City Administrator is the liaison between this agency and the elected government of the City.

This JAG application was made available to the citizenry with an invitation to comment and contact information on Thursday, May 27, 2010, by way of posting on the City's website ([www.cityofgoosecreek.com](http://www.cityofgoosecreek.com)) and a press release furnished to the local newspaper, *The Goose Creek Gazette*.

This JAG application was made available to the South Carolina State Clearinghouse Office of State Budget on May 27, 2010 in accordance with Presidential Executive Order 12372.

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**Abstract**

The City of Goose Creek (Police Department) is applying for allocated funding under the 2010 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Formula Program for a project titled "Mobile Video Recording (MVR) Systems." The goal of the project is to procure two (2) MVR systems for placement in patrol vehicles. These MVR systems will provide officers the capability to capture evidence to assist in prosecuting criminal cases as well as furnish evidence in claims against officers and the agency. Once funded, the MVR systems can be procured by way of a domestic vendor, programmed and installed by a local communications firm, and put into operation in support of the agency's law enforcement efforts within approximately forty-five (45) days.