

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
SARPY COUNTY, NEBRASKA**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REVISIONS TO THE EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE  
GRANT (JAG) RECOVERY ACT AWARD**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §23-104(6) (Reissue 2007), the County has the power to do all acts in relation to the concerns of the County necessary to the exercise of its corporate powers; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §23-103 (Reissue 2007), the powers of the County as a body are exercised by the County Board; and,

WHEREAS, a federal Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant was awarded to the Sarpy County Sheriff's Office and authorized by County Board Resolution #2009-278 on September 22, 2009; and,

WHEREAS, the original goals of the grant are no longer attainable; and,

WHEREAS, as required by the grantor, Sarpy County must revise the grant and submit a Grant Adjustment Notice (GAN) electronically via the Grant Management System (GMS); and,

WHEREAS, Sarpy County is committed to and supports the Sarpy County Sheriff's Office Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant revisions; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Sarpy County Board of Commissioners that the revisions to the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Recovery Grant are hereby authorized.

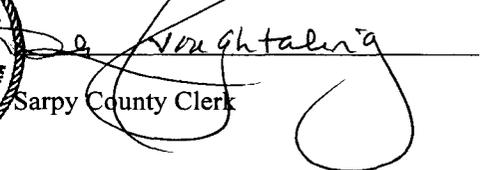
The above Resolution was approved by a vote of the Sarpy County Board of Commissioners at a public meeting duly held in accordance with applicable law on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2011.



Sarpy County Board Chairman



ATTEST:

  
Sarpy County Clerk

**Sarpy County, Nebraska revised budget and justification for grant #2009-SB-B9-2450**

Item	Quantity	Unit Price	Amount Requested	Applicant's Match	Total Cost
<b>In-Car Camera</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>\$5,350</b>	<b>\$26,750</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$26,750</b>
<b>Mobile Digital Cruiser Radio for use with 800 MHz system</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>\$4,656</b>	<b>\$4,125</b>	<b>\$531</b>	<b>\$4,656</b>
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$30,875</b>	<b>\$531</b>	<b>\$31,406</b>

**JUSTIFICATION**

At this time, digital camera technology is the standard in the field of law enforcement cameras. Sarpy County's existing VHS cameras are obsolete and repair parts are no longer available. New digital cameras will enhance officer safety and efficiency. Officer safety is enhanced with the presence of In-Car Cameras by allowing officers to gather and preserve evidence of crimes. Recording and documenting each incident assists officers with future training for both the officer involved and other officer training situations, report writing, and/or preparing a case for presentation in court. In-Car Cameras provide officers the opportunity to review their response to dangerous situations and assist officers in locating weapons or contraband that may have been tossed from a suspect's vehicle. Additionally, digital cameras make prosecution and conviction more efficient by documenting violator actions and providing evidential value in the courtroom while also assisting officers and witnesses with recalling the facts of the incident.

Sarpy County is currently in the process of upgrades to the 800MHz radio system. The fleet has been expanded by two vehicles. Currently, there are no spare units available for use when one is in need of repair. Funds have not been available in the County budget to purchase additional mobile radios for the expanded fleet. The mobile radio is an important and necessary part of law enforcement equipment. It is vital that public safety agencies respond to incidents quickly, with the proper personnel and equipment. To achieve this, the Sarpy County Sheriff's Office (SCSO) must be able to communicate efficiently to deliver timely and effective services to residents. The use of a mobile radio with adequate levels of supporting equipment will allow the SCSO to provide this high level of service.

# Sarpy County Board of Commissioners

1210 GOLDEN GATE DRIVE

PAPILLION, NE 68046-2895  
593-4155

[www.sarpy.com](http://www.sarpy.com)

ADMINISTRATOR Mark Wayne

DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR Scott Bovick

FISCAL ADMIN./PURCHASING AGT. Brian Hanson



## COMMISSIONERS

Rusty Hike District 1  
Jim Thompson District 2  
Tom Richards District 3  
Jim Nekuda District 4  
Jim Warren District 5

## MEMO

To: Sarpy County Board of Commissioners

From: Lisa A. Haire

Re: Recovery Act Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Award for SCSO Recruitment Efforts & BPD Mobile Data Computers

On November 1, 2011 the County Board will be asked to authorize revisions to the grant award for the Recovery Act Justice Assistance Grant (JAG).

Through the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (2009), the Department of Justice awarded a Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) in the amount of \$91,769 to the Sarpy County Sheriff's Office (SCSO) and the Bellevue Police Department (BPD). The grant originally awarded \$31,996 for the Sarpy County Sheriff's Office (SCSO) to hold several special hiring campaigns throughout the four-year grant period. The ultimate goal was to hire twenty-four (24) new deputies within the grant period. At the time the grant was written, there were plans to expand the jail and new deputies would have been required to assist with staffing needs.

Due to current budget constraints, the SCSO will not attain the hiring goals of the grant. A change of scope will be requested from the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA). The SCSO will now request to purchase five (5) In-Car Cameras for a total of \$26,750 and one (1) Mobile Digital Cruiser Radio for \$4,125. Please see the attached budget and justification which will be sent to BJA via electronic Grant Adjustment Notice (GAN). Prior to this request, some training supplies were purchased for the SCSO leaving a balance of \$30,875 in the grant budget.

There is no County match required for this grant. However, the SCSO will contribute \$531 toward the cost of the radio.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have comments or questions.

October 28, 2011

Lisa A. Haire  
593-1565

cc: Mark Wayne  
Brian Hanson  
Scott Bovick  
Chief Deputy Jones  
Deb Houghtaling