SUSPENSION

COUNTY OF ERIE

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COUNTY EXECUTIVE

June 6, 2016

Erie County Legislature
92 Franklin Street – 4th Floor
Buffalo, New York 14202

Re: Justice Assistance 2016 Grant

Dear Honorable Members:

The attached resolution requests authorization to accept funding from the City of Buffalo to allow the Department of Central Police Services to provide enhancements to the local Criminal History Arrest Records Management System which will benefit all law enforcement agencies in Erie County.

Should your Honorable Body require further information, I encourage you to contact the Department of Central Police Services. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq.
Erie County Executive

MCP/mp
Enclosure

MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature
From: Department of Central Police Services
Re: Justice Assistance 2016 Grant
Date: June 6, 2016

SUMMARY

The attached resolution requests authorization for the Department of Central Police Services (CPS) to accept Justice Assistance Grant funding from the City of Buffalo in the amount of $6,000.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

There will be no impact on County funds. The grant is 100% funded by the City of Buffalo.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

The electronic submission of criminal history information will improve the speed and accuracy of data available to law enforcement, prosecuting attorneys and the court systems.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Law enforcement agencies in the County of Erie recently began utilizing a computer-based system called the Criminal History Arrest Records Management System (CHARMS). This system is used for dispatching functions, records management, personnel, property management and arrest booking.

With JAG 2016 funding, Central Police Services plans to initiate a third party contract to develop system enhancements to the CHARMS system, concentrating on adding encryption to the core software programs.

After approval of this item, Central Police Services will engage the services of Globalquest Solutions, Inc., a local WBE/New York State contract vendor, to develop the CHARMS system enhancements.

CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION

Failure to approve this request would restrict CPS in its efforts to provide enhancement to the law enforcement CHARMS system.

STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

Central Police Services will work with the Division of Budget and Management to implement this request.

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY: CENTRAL POLICE SERVICES

RE: Justice Assistance 2016 Grant

WHEREAS, the City of Buffalo has been awarded funding under the Justice Assistance Grant program through the U.S. Department of Justice; and

WHEREAS, the Buffalo Police Department seeks the assistance of the Department of Central Police Services to provide law enforcement software enhancements for its projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the authorization is hereby provided for the County Executive to accept grant funding from the City of Buffalo in the amount of $6,000; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the authorization is hereby provided to establish the grants in the budget of the Department of Central Police Services as follows:

Grant Fund – SAP #165CPSJAG1519
Central Police Services
10/1/15 – 9/30/19

Revenue	Increase
414000 Federal Aid	$6,000
Appropriation	**Increase**
516020 Professional Services Contracts	$6,000
Total Appropriation	$6,000

; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the authorization is hereby provided to contract with Globalquest Solutions, Inc., a local WBE/New York State contract vendor selected after a request for proposals, in the amount of $6,000 to provide the professional technical staff for these projects; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget and Management is hereby authorized to establish and adjust budgets as required to comply with Federal approved funding levels; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Erie County Executive, the Division of Budget and Management, the Office of the Comptroller, and the Department of Central Police Services, attention: Brian Speers.