This application is being posted in accordance with requirements under the US Department of Justice, Justice Assistance Grant 2012. If you have any comments about this application, please contact either Maria Green, Special Projects Coordinator for the Joliet Police Department, or Nick Palmer, the Chief of Staff of the Will County Executive at the following addresses:

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Program Abstract
City of Joliet and County of Will Application
Improvement of Digital Video Capabilities

The County of Will and the City of Joliet, Illinois are jointly applying for $64,162 through the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program FY 2012. The jurisdictions have decided to split the award equally, and to focus their combined efforts towards improving the digital video capabilities of both agencies.

Through the 2012 JAG program, both agencies will purchasing a total of eight (8) in-car cameras (five for Joliet, and three for Will County). This purchase will significantly improve the functioning of the criminal justice system in several specific ways: it will increase officer safety; increase officer performance; and strengthen local law enforcement training. The County will use the balance of the FY 2012 JAG award to support additional technology purchases for the County's administrative adjudication program through the installation of e-court licenses for the facilitation of finance tracking surrounding fees collected by the Will County Sheriff's Office.

Project Identifiers:

Equipment – Video-audio recording
Officer Safety
Policing
Case management
Adjudication

Program Narrative

The County of Will and the City of Joliet, Illinois are jointly applying for $64,162 through the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program FY 2012. Since the jurisdictions have been judged disparate, the funds will be distributed to each jurisdiction equally, with each receiving $32,081. The City of Joliet Police Department will oversee the distribution and fiscal management of the funds but will not assess a service fee associated with this process.

Recent economic shifts have made it imperative for law enforcement to obtain the tools necessary to become more creative in terms of doing more with less. As such, both agencies have identified specific technological purchases that would increase efficiency and effectiveness. These purchases involve the continued purchase of in-car cameras for both departments and administrative software for the Will County Sheriff's Department.

In-Car Cameras

The Will County Sheriff's Office and the Joliet Police Department developed a cooperative digital video plan in 2009. All of Joliet's FY 2012 JAG funds, and $19,248.60 of Will County's FY 2012 JAG funds, will be used to continue to expand this program in both departments by accessing camera technology, increasing officer safety and performance, strengthen local law enforcement training, and make available stronger evidence of criminal activity to prosecutors. Funds from the FY 2012 JAG grant will be used to purchase additional in-car cameras (five for Joliet, and three for Will County) for our agencies.

This purchase will significantly improve the functioning of the criminal justice system in several specific ways: it will increase officer safety; increase officer performance; and strengthen local law enforcement training.

Will County will utilize $12,832.40 of the FY 2012 JAG funds to build upon its efforts to increase public safety by making law enforcement more efficient by using a portion of the funds to purchase e-court and OnBase licenses to enable the Will County Sheriffs to facilitate tracking of finances surrounding the sex offender registry, the violent offender registry, background checks, subpoenas, and purchase of police reports. These purchases will automate processes that are currently done manually.

Officer Safety: The in-car cameras will increase officer safety by videotaping high risk situations. While a study facilitated by the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) in 2002 indicated that the single most important value of the cameras was officer safety, a multitude of other benefits have been observed and measured by their presence. In other jurisdictions where in-car cameras were used, officers suggested that the cameras had a deterrent effect, prompting someone considering harming an officer to reconsider, once it was clear that the process was being captured by a camera. In addition, according to the IACP's June 2008 report, many state police executives sought proactive steps to stop biased policing and to restore the public confidence in the police department. Other jurisdictions have reports that indicate that the recordings provide an unbiased account of events to the viewer.

Officer Performance: the City of Joliet Police Department and Will County intends to use the in-car cameras to increase officer performance. Officers will be able to use the tapes for report writing, obtaining exact statements for evidence. In consent searches, officers will be better prepared for court presentation where they need to recount how they established probable

cause for enforcement actions. Additionally, the cameras can help the investigators locate weapons or contraband that may have been tossed from the suspect's vehicle. In cases where the officer may be injured or killed in high-risk situations, investigating officers have the ability to review videotape and the opportunities of apprehending offenders in these circumstances are dramatically improved.

Training: The in-car camera videos will serve as important training tools. The departments will use the recordings when training new officers and to critique individual cases for officer enhancement practices. Field operation videos recorded in local jurisdictions will provide actual officer experiences and will be used to enhance and support ongoing training.

Performance Indicator	Description	Data Grantee Report
Amount of funds expended on equipment	Eight in-car cameras for the City of Joliet	Amount of funds expended to purchase in-car cameras during the reporting period
Number of units to directly benefit from equipment purchased	Number of officers using in-car cameras Number of videos used to strengthen officer performance	Number of videos used in court cases to support felony charges. Number of videos used in high risk vehicle pursuits
% of Officers reporting a desired change in job performance as a result of equipment purchased	Survey of officers, with in-car cameras	% of officers that received cameras indicating positive job performance changes.

Organizational Capabilities and Competencies

Oversight of the implementation of this project will lie on the shoulders of two key personnel: the Special Projects Coordinator of the Joliet Police Department and the Executive Assistant of the Chief of Staff in the Office of Will County Executive Lawrence M. Walsh. The tracking of goals and objectives, as well as all programmatic and financial reporting will be conducted by the Joliet Police Department's Special Projects Coordinator with the assistance of

the County Executive's staff. The Special Projects Coordinator has over fourteen years' experience implementing the over $7 million in grant projects that the department has received.

As has been the practice with other grant-funded projects, separate City of Joliet line items will be created for equipment with separate budget codes. The Special Projects Coordinator will track all expenditures and complete required financial reports as well as all drawdowns. Will County's share of the funds will be sent to them immediately upon drawdown. Funds will also be tracked with a separate line item and budget code.

Budget Worksheet

A. Personnel **$0**

None requested $0

B. Fringe Benefits **$0**

None requested $0

C. Travel **$0**

None requested $0

D. Equipment **$51,329.60**

Item	Computation	Cost
In-car cameras	8 cameras x $6416.20 each	$51,329.60

E. Supplies **$0**

None requested

F. Construction **$0**

None requested

G. Consultants/Contracts **$12,832.40**

Name of Consultant	Service Provided	Cost
Sustain, Inc.	Licenses, installation, configuration and testing: e-court and OnBase	$12,832.40

H. Other **$0**

None requested

Total Direct Costs **$64,162**

I. Indirect Costs **$0**

None requested

Budget Summary Page

A. Personnel/Salary Costs	**$0**
B. Fringe Benefits	**$0**
C. Travel	**$0**
D. Equipment	**$51.329.60**
E. Supplies	**$0**
F. Construction	**$0**
G. Consultants/Contracts	**$12,832.40**
H. Other	**$0**
I. Indirect Costs	**$0**
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS	**$64,162**
Federal Request	**$64,162**
Applicant Funds, if any, to be applied to this project	**$0**

Budget Narrative

A. Personnel/Salary Costs **$0**

B. Fringe Benefit Costs **$0**

C. Travel Costs **$0**

D. Equipment **$64,162**

A total of 10 in-car cameras will be purchased for both agencies (five each). Estimates are based on the most recent price obtained for similar cameras.
10 cameras x $6416.20 = $64,162

E. Supplies **$0**

F. Construction **$0**

G. Consultants/Contracts **$0**

H. Other Costs **$0**

I. Indirect Costs **$0**

THE STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF WILL)

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE CITY OF JOLIET, ILLINOIS AND COUNTY OF WILL, ILLINOIS

FY2012 BYRNE JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) PROGRAM AWARD

This Agreement is made and entered into this 4th day of May, by and between the COUNTY of Will, acting by and through its governing body, the County Board of Will County, hereinafter referred to as COUNTY, and the CITY of Joliet, acting by and through it governing body, the City Council, hereinafter referred to as CITY, both of Will County, State of Illinois, witneseth:

WHEREAS, this Agreement is made under the authority of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act, 5 ILCS 220/1 et seq: and

WHEREAS, the City of Joliet and the County of Will are public agencies as defined in the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act; and

WHEREAS, each governing body, in performing governmental functions or in paying for the performance of governmental functions hereunder, shall make that performance or those payments from current revenues legally available to that party; and

WHEREAS, each governing body finds that the performance of this Agreement is in the interests of both parties, that the undertaking will benefit the public, and that the division of costs fairly compensates the performing party for the services or functions under this agreement; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY and CITY are disparate partners of the FY2012 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) award and have been awarded a total amount of $64,162; and

WHEREAS, the County and City have agreed to split the aggregate award equally in amounts of $32,081; and

WHEREAS, the CITY and COUNTY believe it to be in their best interests to reallocate the JAG funds so that both the parties receive a 50% share of the total FY2012 JAG award; and

NOW THEREFORE, the COUNTY and CITY agree as follows:

Section 1.

CITY will act as fiscal agent and ensure that the 50%-50% split of the 2012 JAG award occurs and that both the COUNTY and CITY each receives an amount of $32,081 of these grant dollars.

Section 2.

Nothing in the performance of this Agreement shall impose any liability for claims against COUNTY other than claims for which liability may be imposed under the Local Government and Governmental Employees Tort Immunity Act, 745 ILCS 10/1-101, et. Seq. (herein, Tort Immunity Act).

Section 3.

Nothing in the performance of this Agreement shall impose any liability for claims against CITY other than claims for which liability may be imposed by the Tort Immunity Act.

Section 4.

Each party to this agreement will be responsible for its own actions in providing services under this agreement and shall not be liable for any civil liability that may arise from the furnishing of the services by the other party.

Section 5.

The parties to this Agreement do not intend for any third party to obtain a right by virtue of this Agreement.

Section 6.

By entering into this Agreement, the parties do not intend to create any obligations express or implied other than those set out herein; further, this Agreement shall not create any rights in any party not a signatory hereto.

City of Joliet, IL

Thomas A. Thanas

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Joliet City Manager

ATTEST:

Christa M. Desiderio

Joliet City Clerk

County of Will, IL

Lawrence M. Walsh

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Will County Executive

ATTEST:

Nancy Schult Kotz

Will County Clerk

Review Narrative

The City of Joliet is managing the public notice and comment review process, in cooperation with the Will County Criminal Justice, Law & Judicial Committee, Will County Executive's Office, and the Joliet Police Department. To promote an awareness of the application and proposed initiatives the public notice requesting input was linked on the front page of the Will County government website (www.willcountyillinois.com) and the City of Joliet Police Department website (www.jolietpolice.org). Interested parties were invited to call, email or send a letter to either Nick Palmer, the Chief of Staff of the Will County Executive or Maria Green, Special Projects Coordinator for the Joliet Police Department.

In addition, public comment was invited during the regular City Council meeting on May 15, 2012 at the City of Joliet Council Chambers, 150 West Jefferson, Joliet, IL at 6:00 p.m. The Office of the Chief of Police made the proposed FY 2012 JAG program application and budget narratives available for review to members of the Joliet City Council, while the Office of the County Executive made these documents available for review to the members of the Will County Board.

As the fiscal agent and administering authority for the FY 2012 Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG), the Joliet Police Department and the City of Joliet provides an assurance that the application, and any future amendments, are and will be made public, and will allow the opportunity for public comment on any such future amendments. Additionally, the Office of the Chief of Police of Joliet will provide residents and community organizations, to the extent applicable law or established procedures allow, question and comment opportunities.

The disparate partners of Will County and the City of Joliet were able to have a fully executed MOU ready by the May 14, 2012 deadline. This signed MOU is attached.

BJA FY 12 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program Local Solicitation 2012-H2418-IL-DJ

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You will be contacted by the Program Office when your application is processed or any other action is required by you.