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Public Notice

September 15, 2026

The United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs' Bureau of Justice Assistance announced the release of the FY2026 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) allocations.

The USDOJ JAG funds assists in supporting local criminal justice/law enforcement initiatives. Cleveland County Government/Cleveland County Sheriff's Office has been allocated \$15,095 and anticipates using these funds to further the "Jumpstart Saving Lives" initiative by ensuring all patrol deputies assigned to patrol division are outfitted with life-saving devices, Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs). In addition, these funds will help cover the costs associated with Plate Carriers for ballistic protection for patrol deputies in emergency situations with unknown circumstances.

Public and Governing Body inquiries specific to our local FY2026 JAG application process can be directed, on or before October 15, 2026, to:

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Monday-Friday 8am-4:30pm