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ICJIA Announces Federal Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Awards for Law Enforcement Vehicles

CHICAGO—March 23, 2012. Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA) Executive Director Jack Cutrone today announced recipients of federal fiscal year 2008 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) awards for law enforcement vehicles.

ICJIA designated more than \$460,000 in federal funding to 24 local law enforcement agencies that demonstrated financial and vehicle needs. A maximum of \$20,000 was awarded to each agency, and 75 percent of the funds were designated to departments within communities that had populations of less than 25,000.

“Aging vehicles with increasing maintenance needs are not only costly to local municipalities, they also create a significant public safety issue,” said Executive Director Cutrone. “These federal funds will provide police with the reliable vehicles they need to be effective in their communities while helping to alleviate the economic strain that otherwise would have been put on local governments.”

Vehicle grant award recipients include:

Alexander County Sheriff's Office	\$20,000
Atwood Police Department	\$17,219
Cairo Police Department	\$20,000
Carbondale Police Department	\$18,750
East Dubuque Police Department	\$15,000
Edgar County Sheriff's Office	\$20,000
Ford County Sheriff's Office	\$20,000
Fulton Police Department	\$15,000

Grafton Police Department	\$14,241
Jo Daviess County Sheriff's Office	\$19,604
Macoupin County Sheriff's Office	\$18,584
Marengo Police Department	\$20,000
Massac County Sheriff's Office	\$20,000
Mercer County Sheriff's Office	\$18,750
Morris Police Department	\$20,000
Mt. Olive Police Department	\$20,000
Quincy Police Department	\$20,000
Riverdale Police Department	\$20,000
Salem Police Department	\$20,000
South Beloit Police Department	\$17,918
South Suburban College Police Dept.	\$20,000
Stone Park Police Department	\$18,644
University Park Police Department	\$20,000
Watseka Police Department	\$20,000

More than 315 agencies from across the state requested funding. Grant applications were evaluated and scored based on a formula to determine regional financial need and each agency's demonstration of equipment need. Agencies awarded will be required to provide a 25 percent cash match from non-federal sources.

ICJIA is dedicated to improving the administration of criminal justice with work in the areas of grants administration, research and analysis, policy and planning, and information systems and technology. ICJIA is coordinating a collaborative, statewide strategic planning process to formulate criminal justice policy, research, and funding direction for the next several years. Visit www.icjia.state.il.us for more information.

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