



CITY OF BETHLEHEM

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DEPARTMENT OF POLICE

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June 28, 2010

Ms. Cynthia Biedenkopf
City Clerk
City of Bethlehem
10 East Church Street
Bethlehem, Pennsylvania 18018

Dear Ms. Biedenkopf:

The Police Department is applying for a 2010 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) in the amount of **\$59,161.00**. This amount was calculated by the federal government using many factors, including Bethlehem's Part I crime statistics as detailed in the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) program.

Of that amount, **\$36,865.00** is allocated to the City of Bethlehem. The remaining \$22,296.00 is allocated to the City of Easton. Bethlehem will receive **\$2229.00** (or ten percent of Easton's allocation) for serving as the fiscal agent and administering the grant.

The Police Department would like to use the JAG funds to replace computers and purchase related items, and to replace duty handguns which are rapidly nearing the end of their useful life

Computers and Electronic Devices: hardware, software, peripherals - **\$18,432.00**

Duty Handguns: Glock semi-automatic pistols equipped with night sights - **\$18,433.00**

The grant application requires that the governing body provide public notice of the grant application and provide an opportunity for public comment. As discussed, I am requesting that the opportunity for public comment be placed on the City Council agenda for Tuesday, July 6, 2010. I have made the necessary arrangements to advertise the opportunity for public comment.

If you need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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