

Agenda Item Summary

**1. ACTION REQUESTED/PURPOSE:** Authorize Chairman to execute Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant application for the CLEAN Task Force and sign letter of support. This will allow Lee County Sheriff's Office to serve as implementing agency.

**2. WHAT ACTION ACCOMPLISHES:** Authorization allows Lee County to apply for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant and distribute \$262,929 in funds for the CLEAN Task Force.

**3. MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATION:**

*APPROVE*

**4. Departmental Category:**

*C15a*

**5. Meeting Date:**

*6-14-05*

**6. Agenda:**

- Consent
- Administrative
- Appeals
- Public
- Walk-On

**7. Requirement/Purpose: (specify)**

- Statute
- Ordinance
- Admin. Code
- Other

**8. Request Initiated:**

Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_  
Department \_\_\_\_\_  
Division \_\_\_\_\_

By: Sheriff *M. Lee*

**9. Background:** Each year, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant funds are allocated to Lee County for use by local units of government. These funds are used to implement local drug control and system improvement projects designed to reduce the production, transfer and use of controlled substances, reduce the incidence of drug-related violent crime, and make improvements to the criminal justice system. Past funding has gone to support the efforts of the CLEAN Task Force coordinated by the Lee County Sheriff's Office.

On July 11, 1990, the Lee County Board of Commissioners appointed the Lee County Coalition for a Drug Free Southwest Florida as the Substance Abuse Advisory Board for the purposes authorized under F.A.C. Rule Chapter 9G-16. In addition to defining the nature and extent of the drug problem in Lee County, the Substance Abuse Advisory Board is responsible for recommending countywide drug control strategies addressing those needs.

The Lee County Coalition for a Drug Free Southwest Florida, as the Substance Abuse Advisory Board, recommends that the total allocation of \$262,929 go toward the continuation of the CLEAN Task Force. The Lee County Sheriff's Office will commit an additional \$69,678 in federal Justice Assistance Grant funds and \$20,000 in forfeiture funds toward the project. Participating member agencies will contribute an additional \$167,603 needed to fund the \$520,210 project.

**10. Review for Scheduling:**

Department Director	Purchasing or Contracts	Human Resources	Other	County Attorney	Budget Services				County Manager/P.W. Director
					Analyst	Risk	Grants	Mgr.	
					<i>6/2/05</i>	<i>6/2/05</i>	<i>6/2/05</i>	<i>6/2/05</i>	<i>6-2-05</i>

**11. Commission Action:**

- Approved
- Deferred
- Denied
- Other

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<i>6-2-05</i>
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<i>6-2-05</i>
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May 24, 2005

Clayton H Wilder  
Community Program Administrator  
Office of Criminal Justice Grants  
Department of Law Enforcement  
2331 Phillips Road  
Tallahassee, FL 32308

Dear Mr Wilder:

In compliance with the State of Florida Rule 11d-9, the Lee County Coalition for a Drug Free Southwest Florida supports the Lee County Sheriff's Office application for 2005-06 Byrne Formula Grant Program funds for the CLEAN Task Force grant application

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On June 14, 2005, the Coalition Board of Directors will vote to accept the terms of the abovementioned application. The minutes from the meeting indicating the Board's approval will be forwarded to the Lee County Sheriff's Office for their grant file.

Lee County is indeed fortunate to have the CLEAN Task Force, and we enthusiastically support this grant application.

Sincerely,

Keral Kronseder Vogt  
Executive Director

Cc: File  
Chairman of the Board

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