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RE:

Change of Scope GAM – Time Period Award 15PBJA-22-GG-02090-JAGX Project Period: 10/1/21 – 9/30/25 Grant Manger: Sharon Trowbridge

Jackson County Award Amount: \$291,598

Heather,

Jackson County is seeking a 12 month no cost extension for Grant Award 15PBJA-22-GG-02090-JAGX. The remaining balance as of 6/9/25 is \$213,778.02. The original budget remains the same.

Budget Summary			
Budget Category	Budget	Expenses	Remaining
A. Personnel	\$214,463	\$54,541.40	\$159,921.60
 B. Fringe Benefits 	\$77,135	\$23,278.58	\$53,856.42
C. Travel	\$0	\$ 0	\$0
D. Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0
E. Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$0
F. Construction	\$ 0	\$0	\$0
G. Subawards (Subgrants)	\$0	\$0	\$0
H. Procurement Contracts	\$0	\$0	\$0
I. Other	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Direct Costs	\$291,598	\$77.819.98	\$213,778.02
J. Indirect Costs	\$0	\$0	
Total Project Costs	\$291,598	\$77,819.98	\$213,778.02

Justification:

Grant funds two full-time assistant prosecutor positions who focus on existing and future violent crime reduction efforts within the Jackson County Prosecutor's Office, one full-time assistant prosecutor-diversion manager, who manages diversion programs, and one full-time data and information analyst who converts information acquired through investigations and prosecutions into useable criminal intelligence in the form of data maps, searchable databases, coordinates with other law enforcement partners to identify potential crime trends and other valuable information crucial to our violent crime reduction efforts in Jackson County.

Ramifications if NCE is not Approved

Without JAG funding, Jackson County doesn't have the resources to pay the assistant prosecutors, assistant prosecutor-diversion manager and data and information analyst positions described above.

Accomplishments to Date

The assistant prosecutors continue to review and prosecute cases involving violent crime, especially gun violence in Jackson County. The data analyst produced two new dashboards, one focused on violence and a second focused on all criminal cases in our records management system. The analyst also continues to upgrade and enhance the electronic capabilities in the office; however, it will require more time in 2025-2026 to complete other vital projects to improve office efficiency and quality of the information shared with the community. The Diversion manager/assistant prosecutor continues to manage over 100 active cases involving non-violent, low level felony offenses through our diversion programs.

One Year Project Plan if Extension Is Granted

Project plan has not changed from our original proposal. If granted an extension Jackson County will expand the four full-time positions described above and continue crime reduction efforts in Jackson County through prosecution initiatives.

Revised Timeline/New Requested End Date: 9/30/26

All funds will be expended by the expiration of the grant.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you for your assistance.

Tina Wise

Budget Supervisor

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