

APPLICATION FOR

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1. TYPE OF SUBMISSION Application Non-Construction		3. DATE RECEIVED BY STATE	STATE APPLICATION IDENTIFIER
		4. DATE RECEIVED BY FEDERAL AGENCY	FEDERAL IDENTIFIER
5. APPLICANT INFORMATION			
Legal Name City of Clovis		Organizational Unit Clovis Police Department	
Address (city, state, and zip code) 1033 Fifth Street Clovis, California 93612-1316		Name and telephone number of the person to be contacted on matters involving this application Calli Biaggi (559) 324-2532	
6. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN) 94-6000327		7. TYPE OF APPLICANT Municipal	
8. TYPE OF APPLICATION New		9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY Bureau of Justice Assistance	
10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE Number: 16.738 CFDA Title: EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM		11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT Reduction of Motor Vehicle Theft	
12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT #5 Program area-Disrupting illicit commerce in stolen good			
13. PROPOSED PROJECT		14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT(S) OF	
Start Date: 10/01/2010	Ending Date: 09/30/2013	a. Applicant CA21	b. Project CA21
15. ESTIMATED FUNDING		16. IS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?	
a. Federal	\$15,756	Program has not been selected by state for review	
b. Applicant	\$2,744		
c. State	\$0		
d. Local	\$0		
e. Other	\$0		
f. Program Income	\$0	17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT?	
g. Total	\$18,500	N	
18. TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, ALL DATA IN THIS APPLICATION/PREAPPLICATION ARE TRUE AND CORRECT, THE DOCUMENT HAS BEEN DULY AUTHORIZED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE APPLICANT AND THE APPLICANT WILL COMPLY WITH THE ATTACHED ASSURANCES IF THE ASSISTANCE IS REQUIRED.			
a. Typed Name of Authorized Representative Robert Wooley		b. Title Interim City Manager	c. Telephone number (559) 324-2060
d. Signature of Authorized Representative		e. Date Signed	

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**Edward Byrne Memorial
Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program
FY 2010
Abstract**

Agency: City of Clovis Police Department

Title: Reduction of Motor Vehicle Theft

**Program Area: #5- Disrupting illicit commerce in stolen goods and property
(Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention)**

The Clovis Police Department is dedicated to the reduction of crime in the City of Clovis. One of the major elements in crime is the use of a motor vehicle. To help reduce the use of that element the Clovis Police Department will purchase a Mobile License Plate Recognition System. The system scans license plates and logs their location; if a plate is flagged for being stolen or wanted in connection of a crime then the system will notify the police officer. This will allow police officers an increased chance of catching motor vehicle thieves, as well as other criminal activity that is utilized through the use of motor vehicles. Benefits of this system are numerous; efficiency in enforcement, stolen vehicle recovery, officer safety and will help eliminate any profiling claims, as the vehicle plate is targeted not the vehicle or the person inside. The Clovis Police Department will also share the information produced by the system with the local auto theft task force and outlying agencies.

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The City of Clovis Police Department is applying for the Edward Byrne Memorial JAG grant to purchase a Mobile License Plate Recognition System. The goal of the program is to assist law enforcement officers in the identification and recovery of stolen motor vehicles. This system is an effective tool that allows officers an increased chance of catching motor vehicle thieves, as well as other criminal activity that is utilized through the use of motor vehicles.

Background

The City of Clovis has a population of approximately 96,000 and is the second largest city in the county of Fresno. Clovis consists of just over 23 square miles, located in the Central San Joaquin Valley and is bordered by a fourth largest City in the state, Fresno, whose population is approximately 450,000. The Police Department has a force of 96 sworn officers. Our department structure is one Police Chief, one Captain, two Lieutenants, ten Sergeants, and ten Corporals. Our department is comprised of five divisions; Communications, Patrol, Investigations, Support Services and Youth/Animal Services.

Problem Statement

The Clovis Police Department lost approximately 20 positions from January 2008 to current due to the economic downturn that hit the nation. The Clovis Police department's limited budget and ever-present safety concerns have posted a challenge in the ability for more proactive enforcement. With 50% of all crime closely related to vehicles, our capability to keep up with the increase in vehicle related crimes is difficult. A challenge for our department is a means to increase patrol effectiveness and coverage within our city, without the increasing department headcount. Our reduced number of patrol officers and limited technical resources has eliminated proactive enforcement and limited officers to working at a call to call service level.

Motor vehicles are usually essential tools for those who commit crime. Whether it is burglary, transportation of narcotics, sales of narcotics, theft of the vehicle itself or major crimes such as homicide and rape, all have a common element in that the criminal needs a mode of transportation and most likely that is a personal vehicle. The system scans license plates and logs their location; if a plate is flagged for being stolen or wanted in connection of a crime then the system will notify the police officer. Normally an officer will check a plate to see if it is expired, for a traffic stop or because of suspicious circumstances. With the plate recognition system, the system will run the plates and alert the patrol officer if it is stolen or wanted. This allows a more efficient use of the police officer's time.

Benefits of this system are numerous; efficiency in enforcement, stolen vehicle recovery, officer safety and will help eliminate any profiling claims, as the vehicle plate is targeted not the vehicle or the person inside.

The Clovis Police Department would purchase the Mobile Plate Recognition System under the program area number five, which includes disrupting commerce in stolen goods and property (motor vehicle theft prevention). The movement of criminals is used primarily through personal transportation, by having this system, it will identify the vehicles more rapidly thus disrupting the criminals ability to profit.

Collaboration

The Fresno County area has a Help Eliminate Auto Theft (HEAT) task force that is comprised of many agencies in the area. The City of Clovis Police Department has participated with this task force in the past, due to the loss of officers; we were unable to continue to assign an officer to the task force. Although we do not have an officer in the task force, we do attend their meetings regularly and share information through crime analysis. The information gathered from the recognition system would be shared with the task force as well as any agencies in the area.

Sustainability

The Clovis Police Department will be providing a match to cover the cost of the system, as well as any further maintenance costs.

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Budget

<u>Equipment</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Mobile Law Enforcement License Plate Recognition Camera System	18,500
 <u>Total</u>	 \$18,500
 Federal Amount	 \$15,576
Local Match	\$2,744

Budget Narrative

The Clovis Police Department will purchase a mobile license plate recognition camera system under the purpose area number five; *disrupting illicit commerce in stolen goods and property (Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention)*. The total cost is \$18,500 for a three camera mobile system. The federal portion of the grant will cover \$15,576 and the local match from the general fund will be \$2,744. The entire grant is an equipment purchase; all acquisitions will be conducted under the City of Clovis purchasing guidelines.