

Mendocino County Sheriff's Office

FY25 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program – Local Formula

Information Technology Equipment Upgrade

Proposal Narrative

Brief Description of Problem:

Mendocino County plans to use grant funds to address aging information technology hardware. Technology is outdated almost instantly upon installation of new equipment and gear. Keeping technology equipment up to date and working properly for law enforcement personnel is an ongoing project. Ensuring the technology is working properly can mean the difference between life and death for Sheriff's Deputies on the front lines who depend on the information at a quick pace when detaining suspects and checking backgrounds.

Targeted Area and Population:

Mendocino County is a very large county, geographically. It covers 3,506.34 square miles of mostly rural, mountainous, forested land. It has 91,601 residents spread throughout the county, with the largest populated areas centered around Ukiah (county seat), Willits (North county) and Fort Bragg (Central coast). The proposed project will serve the entire county and all residents as the information received and used via the technology employed by the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office is used to protect all residents in every corner of the county.

Goals and Objectives:

The objective of the project is to identify IT equipment that is need of replacement and bring the equipment into compliance for the safety of law enforcement personnel and the public.

Project Strategy Description:

Information Technology staff of the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office inventories its computers and equipment on an annual basis. Older units, or units with problems, are identified, logged and considered for repair, updates or replacement. A supplier is researched, identified and a quote is requested. Upon receipt of a quote, the project is entered into the County's procurement process. When units are received, they are deployed according to the inventory list prepared earlier.

Significant Partnerships:

The Mendocino County Sheriff's Office works with the Mendocino County Executive Office, County Counsel, the State of California General Services Department and the information technology equipment supplier.

Anticipated Outcomes:

The anticipated outcome is to have fully-functioning, up-to-date and reliable information technology equipment for law enforcement use in the course of protecting the public they serve.

Data Collection:

Progress and data will be reported on a quarterly basis through performance reports and federal financial reports in JustGrants.