County of Mendocino 2016 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance (BJA) Grant (JAG) Information Technology Equipment Upgrade

Program Narrative

The Mendocino County Sheriff's Office provides law enforcement, corrections and civil services for more than 89,000 people in a large, predominately rural county in Northern California. The Sheriff's Office operates its own dispatching center, which handles more than 50,000 calls per year. There are 164 employees, serving at a dozen distinct locations throughout the County.

The use of personal computers (PC's) is critical to the fulfillment of our mission. Functions performed on PC's include computer aided dispatch, access to State and Federal government law enforcement systems, crime reporting, maintaining active data bases for warrants and restraining orders, use of investigative programs and jail information systems. There are currently more than 85 personal computers deployed in our organization, many of which have been in service for four years or more. It is imperative to our operations to update this vital equipment to ensure continued, accurate and timely information flow throughout the organization.

The Mendocino County Sheriff's Office Information Technology Equipment Upgrade Program objective is to replace aged PC's, peripherals and software with new, more reliable products. The program will directly enhance our law enforcement efforts in many critical areas and will help to maintain and improve the safety of our citizens.