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September 29, 2015

Her Excellency, Governor Margaret Wood Hassan  
And the Honorable Council  
State House  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Your Excellency and Members of the Council:

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Justice to enter into a new subgrant, with the New Hampshire Department of Safety Forensic Crime Lab (Vendor #177878) in the amount of \$60,000, from the FFY 2012 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Program, to support Forensic Crime Lab activities from the date of Governor and Executive Council approval to June 30, 2017. 100% Federal Funds.

Funding is available in account # 02-20-20-201510-4458 (Job#20JAG12A), Department of Justice, Grants Management, entitled Byrne JAG as follows:

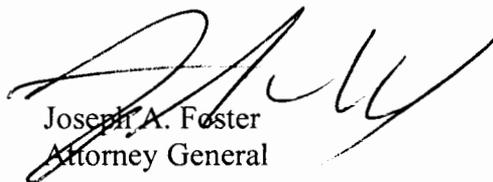
<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
072-500576	NH Forensic Crime Lab	\$60,000

EXPLANATION

Through this action, we are seeking authorization to award funding from the federal fiscal year 2012 Byrne JAG award to the New Hampshire Forensic Crime Lab to support and enhance the Crime Lab functions by providing additional funds. The funds will be used for overtime payments to lab drug criminalists for drug analyses. There is a mounting backlog of drug cases awaiting analysis, which cannot be addressed through the current budget. Drug prosecutions cannot go forward until the drug analysis is completed. These funds will allow criminalists to process an additional 60-80 cases per month, over the monthly average of 475.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Respectfully submitted,



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Enclosure

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE		
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE		
GRANT AWARD		
Agency Name:	NH Department of Safety	Vendor No.: 177878-B001
Program Name:	Edward Byrne Memorial JAG Program	Amount: \$ 60,000.00
Grant Start Date:	10/07/2015	State Grant Number: 2016JAG501
Grant End Date:	6/30/2017	Federal Grant Number: 2013-CD-BX-0024
Appropriation No.:	02-20-20-201510-4458-072-500576	
Head of Agency	Project Director	Fiscal Officer
John J. Barthelmes Commissioner Hazen Drive Concord, NH 03301	Tim Pifer Crime Lab Director  271-3573	Elizabeth Bielecki Director of Administration
Federal Grant Name:	Edward J. Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant	
Federal Agency:	United States Department of Justice	
Bureau/Office:	Office of Justice Programs	
CFDA Number:	16.738	
Purpose of Grant:	Targeted forensic lab services	
Financial Requirements:	Monthly or quarterly Financial reports Quarterly performance reports and audit Adherence to State and Federal guidelines and conditions	
Match Requirements:	None	
Reporting Requirements:	Monthly or quarterly Financial reports Annual performance report and audit Adherence to State and Federal guidelines and conditions	
Approval	Program Agency	NH Department of Justice
Name	John J. Barthelmes	Kathleen Carr
Title	Commissioner	Director of Administration
Date		
All terms of this grant award are not valid unless signed by both authorized parties.		