

**HENDERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

MEETING DATE: May 4, 2009, 5:30 pm

**SUBJECT: Approval of Grant from the Federal Bureau of Justice
Assistance**

ATTACHMENTS: Grant Submission

SUMMARY OF REQUEST: Approval to submit a grant for an enhancement to the Automatic Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS). This enables the recovery and submission of latent fingerprints and palm prints from crime scenes. It also enables database searches using this input. The local matching funds will be obtained from the NC Drug Excise Taxes. This request does not involve County funds.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED: Grant Submission Approval

Suggested Motion: I move the Sheriff's Office be authorized to proceed with grant submission for the identified enhancement to AFIS, subject to no county funds being involved.

APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE		2. DATE SUBMITTED	Applicant Identifier
1. TYPE OF SUBMISSION		3. DATE RECEIVED BY STATE	State Application Identifier
Application Non-Construction		4. DATE RECEIVED BY FEDERAL AGENCY	Federal Identifier
5. APPLICANT INFORMATION			
Legal Name		Organizational Unit	
Henderson County		Sheriff's Department	
Address		Name and telephone number of the person to be contacted on matters involving this application	
201 North Main Street Hendersonville, North Carolina 28792-5072		Player, Bobbie (828) 694-2706	
6. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN)		7. TYPE OF APPLICANT	
56-6000307		County	
8. TYPE OF APPLICATION		9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY	
New		Bureau of Justice Assistance	
10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE		11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT	
NUMBER: 16.804 CFDA 16.804 - Recovery Act - Justice Assistance Grants - TITLE: Localities		Automatic Fingerprint Identification System	
12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT			
Henderson County, NC Buncombe County, NC Transylvania County, NC Polk County, NC Haywood County, NC			
13. PROPOSED PROJECT		14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF	
Start Date: July 01, 2009 End Date: October 31, 2011		a. Applicant b. Project NC11	
15. ESTIMATED FUNDING		16. IS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?	
Federal	\$50,574	Program is not covered by E.O. 12372	
Applicant	\$31,526		
State	\$0		
Local	\$0		
Other	\$0		
Program Income	\$0	17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT?	

TOTAL	\$82,100	N
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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 GOVERNING BODY OF THE APPLICANT AND THE APPLICANT WILL COMPLY WITH THE ATTACHED ASSURANCES IF THE ASSISTANCE IS REQUIRED.

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The purpose of this proposal is to request funding for a latent station. The latent station is a comprehensive workstation designed for latent print input and review of fingerprint and palm print search results. In other words, at a crime scene should a latent print be lifted it can be scanned in the latent station and compared with the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation database for fingerprint matches. This capability will greatly enhance the solvability of crimes through latent examination and comparison.

The workstation is designed to provide highly user friendly latent entry and search review capabilities. Latent prints may be scanned on a flat bed scanner, captured using a latent camera, or imported from another application. The Universal Latent Workstation (ULW) software, which is used to submit latents to the FBI's IAFIS database, is integrated into the Printrak Latent Station. The latent examiner follows standard operating procedures to enter and encode the latent image in the Printrak Latent Station. When the user is ready to submit the latent he/she selects the IAFIS database, which automatically launches the ULW software and imports the image and minutia that was previously encoded. The ULW submission is then sent and the results are received back to the ULW software.

The latent case management application creates a case folder for entry and storage of all case information. An entire set of crime scene latents, even those not of sufficient quality for AFIS search can potentially be captured and stored. Text information such as a Case ID number, crime location, crime type, victim information, and even modus operandi can be stored and retrieved in real time or with ad hoc reports. The local latent case management capability enables the forensic identification specialist to access numerous files for the various components of each case.

With the latent station and case management module, experts finally have the right tools and information to solve cases- quickly.

GOAL: To solve crimes, to solve crimes quickly and to work collaboratively with area agencies.

OBJECTIVE #1: Train multiple investigators on the use of the latent station within the first three months of its installation and set up. Train other investigators in the preceding months of its use.

OBJECTIVE #2: To expedite the process of identifying suspects in order to quickly apprehend an offender. With “on scene” capabilities, positive identification will improve case solvability and the security of our community.

OBJECTIVE #3: To provide service that benefits multi-agencies within Henderson County while on crime scenes. There are four agencies in the county that have limited investigation capabilities at this time. Train each agency on the latent stations’ abilities and capabilities in solving cases with latent print evidence.

MEASURING PROCESS: The Captain of the Criminal Investigations Division will maintain records showing the use of the Latent Station, the types of crime scenes, the number of suspects identified, searched or latent evidence entered into the system, as well as the number of solved cases from the use of the Latent Station.

Projected Date for Completing Goal: October 2011

The Hendersonville area, as well as, the areas surrounding Henderson County (Buncombe County, Transylvania County, Polk County, Rutherford County, etc.) currently faces an increase in crimes of every nature. In the first four months of 2009, we have experienced a record number of violent crimes, breaking and entering, larcenies, etc. During this time of economic hardship, the Henderson County Sheriff’s Office would not otherwise afford the cost of this equipment without government assistance.



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Recovery Act – Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program

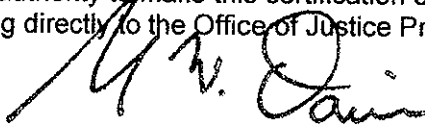
Certification as to Recovery Act Reporting Requirements

On behalf of the applicant entity named below, I certify the following to the Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice:

I have personally read and reviewed the section entitled "Accountability and Transparency under the Recovery Act" in the program announcement for the Recovery Act grant program identified above. I have also read and reviewed section 1512(c) of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Public Law 111-5), concerning reporting requirements for grants. I agree that the applicant will comply with the reporting requirements set forth therein with respect to any grant the applicant may receive under the Recovery Act grant program identified above.

I acknowledge that a false statement in this certification may be subject to criminal prosecution, including under 18 U.S.C. § 1001. I also acknowledge that Office of Justice Program grants, including certifications provided in connection with such grants, are subject to review by the Office of Justice Programs, and/or by the Department of Justice's Office of the Inspector General.

I have authority to make this certification on behalf of the applicant entity (that is, the entity applying directly to the Office of Justice Programs).



Signature of Certifying Official

RICK DAVIS

Printed Name of Certifying Official

Sheriff

Title of Certifying Official

Henderson County

Full Name of Applicant Entity

4-24-09

Date

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Recovery Act – Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program

General Certification as to Requirements for Receipt of Funds
for Infrastructure Investments

On behalf of the applicant State or unit of local government (including tribal government) named below, I certify the following to the Office of Justice Programs ("OJP"), U.S. Department of Justice:

I have personally read and reviewed the section entitled "Eligibility" in the program announcement for the Recovery Act grant program named above. I also have personally read and reviewed section 1511 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (the "Recovery Act"), which requires a specific certification prior to receipt of Recovery Act funds for infrastructure investments.

Initial the statement that applies:

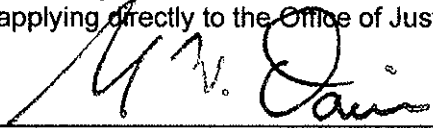
- The applicant identified below **does not intend to use** any portion of any funds received under this Recovery Act grant program for any infrastructure investment. Should this intention change, the applicant will promptly notify OJP, and (except to the extent, if any, that OJP has given prior written approval to expend funds to conduct the review and vetting required by law) will not draw down, obligate, or expend any funds received under this Recovery Act program for any infrastructure investment project until section 1511 of the Recovery Act has been satisfied, and an adequate project-specific certification has been executed, posted, and submitted to OJP.
- The applicant identified below **does intend to use** some or all of any funds received under this Recovery Act grant program for one or more infrastructure investment projects. Except to the extent, if any, that OJP has given prior written approval to expend funds to conduct the review and vetting required by law, I agree that the applicant entity will execute, post, and submit to OJP, prior to obligating, expending, or drawing down funds for such project, a project-specific certification that satisfies all of the requirements of section 1511 (including execution by the Governor, mayor, or other chief executive, as appropriate) for each such infrastructure investment project.

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Rick Davis

Printed Name of Certifying Official

Sheriff

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