

**GRANT ANALYSIS FORM
OPERATING & CAPITAL GRANT PROJECTS/PROGRAMS**

Department/Division: Milwaukee Police Department

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Category of Request

New Grant

Grant Continuation

Previous Council File No. N/A

Change in Previously Approved Grant

Project/Program Title: 2018-2021 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)

Grantor Agency: U.S. Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, and U.S. Department of Justice.

Grant Application Date: 3/27/2018

Anticipated Award Date: 10/1/2018

Please provide the following information:

1. Description of Grant Project/Program (Include Target Locations and Populations):

A cell site simulator is a mobile device that mimics, or operates, a cell signal which is disguised as a legitimate cellular tower signal for the purpose of locating a specific targeted phone for which it is searching. There are only two instances in which a cell site simulator may be utilized: A signed warrant from a judge authorizing its usage or in an exigent situation where there is an immediate threat of great bodily harm and/or loss of life. Specific device identifiers (i.e., device serial number, phone number, etc.) are obtained from the phone provider along with a certain geographic area where the device is located. The cell site simulator operator then drives in the identified area, with the areas geography being known only upon receipt of that information from the phone provider. Once the cell site simulator locates the specific target phone it is searching for it captures and holds onto that specific cell signal. The cell site simulator then uses the provided signal to inform law enforcement about the devices strength of signal connection and direction for the targeted cell phone. Importantly, the cell site simulator is not capable of monitoring any type of communications, nor is it capable of eavesdropping on cell phone calls, nor can it see any type of text message communications. The cell site simulator also cannot monitor cell phone activity such as incoming or outgoing phone calls, nor can it collect or retain phone numbers. The only utilization for the cell site simulator is the location of a specific targeted device.

2. Relationship to City-wide Strategic Goals and Departmental Objectives:

Through the usage of cell site simulators from law enforcement partners in the past, the Milwaukee Police Department (MPD) has been able to locate and arrest targeted individuals whom had otherwise and up to that point been unable to be successfully located by law enforcement. The cell site simulator would then allow for potentially quicker apprehension of individuals whom are suspected of committing serious criminal acts after the obtainment of a signed warrant from a judge or in those exigent circumstances such as: Critical missing persons, Amber Alerts, kidnappings, and/or threats of mass shootings at public venues. Additionally, obtaining the cell site simulator will allow MPD to assist all other Milwaukee County law enforcement agencies, along with the surrounding agencies/counties, as/if requested.

3. Need for Grant Funds and Impact on Other Departmental Operations (Applies only to Programs):

This equipment can locate a suspect quickly, which makes the public safer. Having this equipment not only leads to the arrest of violent offenders, often which leads to the direct recovery of valuable evidence. Officers are also much safer when this equipment is utilized because the suspect's exact location can be determined, reducing the risk of following injury and/or death.

4. Results Measurement/Progress Report (Applies only to Programs):

N/A

5. Grant Period, Timetable and Program Phase-out Plan:

October 1, 2018 – September 30, 2021

6. Provide a List of Sub-grantees:

N/A

7. If Possible, Complete Grant Budget Form and Attach.

Please see attachment.