

**District Attorney's Office - Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)
Fiscal Year 2025 Local Program Application**

Baldwin County District Attorney's Office is requesting **\$17,323.00** in Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) funds to purchase essential furniture for the Grand Jury Room in the new District Attorney's Office currently under construction on Courthouse Square in Bay Minette. The Grand Jury Room is a critical operational space where prosecutors present cases, witnesses provide testimony, and jurors conduct confidential deliberations. Appropriate furnishings are required to ensure the room is functional, secure, and suitable for the formal proceedings that support the administration of justice.

The requested furniture will provide the necessary seating, tables, and layout to support grand jury activities, including evidence review, case presentations, and coordination with law enforcement partners. Without these furnishings, the space cannot be used for its intended purpose, which would limit the District Attorney's ability to convene grand juries efficiently and maintain continuity of prosecutorial operations. Equipping the room is essential to ensuring that the new facility is fully operational upon opening and capable of supporting the office's statutory responsibilities.

Furniture necessary for criminal justice operations is an allowable use of Byrne JAG funds, and this request aligns directly with the program's purpose of enhancing the effectiveness and efficiency of justice system functions. This investment will help establish a functional, professional environment that supports the District Attorney's Office in serving the public and partner agencies with reliability and integrity.