

Washington, DC - Congressman John Barrow (GA-12) announced that Georgia's 12th Congressional District will receive close to \$2.3 million in Recovery Act 2009 funding for law enforcement assistance through the Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program.

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"During times like these, the last thing we need is fewer cops on the streets," said Barrow. "But budget cuts could force some of our communities to cut back on the things we need most, like fighting crime. This money will save some jobs and create others, which is critical right now, but it'll also make our kids and families safer, which is the most important thing we can do, now and in the long run."

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The Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program is administered by the Department of Justice's Bureau of Justice Assistance, and supports a broad range of activities by state and local governments to prevent and control crime and improve the criminal justice system. Those activities include:

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- Law enforcement programs.
- Prosecution and court programs.
- Prevention and education programs.

- Corrections and community corrections programs.
- Drug treatment and enforcement programs.
- Planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs.
- Crime victim and witness programs.

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The following communities in the 12th District are eligible to receive funding from the Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program:

Bulloch County \$20,993

Statesboro \$167,558

Metter \$10,687

Chatham County \$107,253

Savannah \$742,944

Garden City \$90,840

Pooler \$11,069

Swainsboro \$100,001

Millen: \$18,702

Vidalia \$59,352

Augusta-Richmond County Consolidated Government

\$584,165

Baldwin County \$65,840

Burke County \$84,161

Effingham County \$21,374

Jefferson County \$15,649

Johnson County \$12,405

Milledgeville \$38,932

Rincon \$31,680

Sandersville \$22,138

Sardis \$15,649

Washington County \$16,412

Waynesboro \$30,725

Wrens \$11,641

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