

ORDINANCE NO.

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 32 - 2025

INTRODUCED BY

APRIL 2, 2025

AN ORDINANCE

Amending the 2025 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Forty-Six Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty-Six Dollars (\$46,766) from the Department of Justice for 2024 Edward Byrne Memorial JAG grant to the City of Allentown Police Department to utilize the funding evidence workflow management system and portable weighing scales. A portion of this funding is appropriated as a pass through to Lehigh County.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALLENTOWN:

SECTION ONE: That City Council authorizes a supplemental appropriation of Forty-Six Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty-Six Dollars (\$46,766) to the following account:

Police Grants

000-00-0000-0000-45231	\$ 46,766.00
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SECTION TWO: That City Council authorizes a supplemental appropriation of Forty-Six Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty-Six Dollars (\$46,766) to the following accounts:

Grant Non-City Charges

000-04-0802-0021-50048	\$ 25,476.00
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Police

000-04-0802-0021-50072	Equipment	\$ 10,790.00
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000-07-0604-0030-50031	Software	\$ 10,500.00
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SECTION THREE: That this Ordinance will take effect ten (10) days after final passage.

SECTION FOUR: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

Legislative Template

- What department or bureau is this bill originating from? Where did the initiative for the bill originate?

Police Department.

- Summary and facts of the bill.

Purpose of the ordinance is to amend the 2025 General Fund Budget to provide a supplemental appropriation of Forty-six thousand seven hundred, sixty-six dollars (\$ 46,766) from the Department of Justice for 2024 Edward Byrne Memorial JAG grant to the City of Allentown Police Department to utilize the funding evidence workflow management system and portable weighing scales. A portion of this funding is appropriated as a pass through to Lehigh County.

- Purpose – Please include the following in your explanation:
 - a. What does the bill do? What are the specific goals or tasks the bill seeks to accomplish?

This is an allocation of \$ 46,766 by Department of Justice for 2024 Edward Byrne Memorial JAG. The funding will allow for the purchase of evidence workflow management system and portable weighing scales for the City of Allentown in the amount of \$ 21,290. The Lehigh County portion of this funding is \$ 25,476.

- b. What are the benefits of doing this? What are the drawbacks?

The goal of this funding to provide a workflow management system for the Police Department evidence custodian to streamline intake and holding procedure for physical evidence and portable weighing scales for the weighing of commercial vehicles.

- c. How does this bill relate to the City's vision/mission/priorities?

The funding for the workflow management system will assist the police departments property officers to better manage the processing, organization and maintenance of criminal evidence. The portable weighing scales funding will also support the department's ability to enforce roadway regulations.

- Funding Sources – Please include the following in your explanation:
 - a. If transferring funds, please make sure to give specific account names and numbers. If appropriating funds from a grant, please list the agency awarding the grant.

- Department of Justice 2024 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant
Grant Non-City Charges – 000-04-0802-0021-50048 - \$ 25,476
Equipment – account 000-04-0802-0021-50072 - \$ 10,790
Software – account # 000-07-0604-0030-50031 - \$ 10,500
Revenue – account 000-00-0000-0000-45231 – Police Grants
- Priority status – Are there any deadlines to be aware of?

Normal priority.

- Why should Council unanimously support this bill?

The funds will be utilized to provide a workflow management system for the Police Department evidence custodian to streamline intake and holding procedure for physical evidence and portable weighing scales for the weighing of commercial vehicles.