NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR THE 2020 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

The City of Hattiesburg, Mississippi and Forrest County, Mississippi anticipate receiving Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program funds from the U.S. Department of Justice (USDOJ) for Program Period October 1, 2019 – September 30, 2021. The total anticipated funding is \$18,866.00. This grant program furthers the USDOJ's mission by assisting state, local, and tribal law enforcement efforts to prevent or reduce crime and violence.

The City of Hattiesburg and Forrest County anticipate receiving an Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant of \$18,866.00, which will be shared by the two entities. The City and Forrest County propose to budget their funds for the purchase of equipment to enhance their capabilities. The City of Hattiesburg will use 60% of the award (\$11,320) and Forrest County will use 40% of the award (\$7,546). The balance of purchases not covered by grant funds will come from the City's and County's general funds.

The City of Hattiesburg will accept comments on the grant application. Application documents are available for review and comments from the public from September 10, 2020 through October 11, 2020 on the internet at http://www.hattiesburgms.com/public-notices/. Individuals who do not have use of a computer are encouraged to visit their local public library for access to the World Wide Web. The documents are also available for review during normal business hours at City Hall, Council Clerk's Office, 200 Forrest Street, Hattiesburg, MS 39401. If special accommodations are needed, please call (601) 545-4544.

Written comments about the application should be directed to:

City of Hattiesburg Urban Development Attn: Jennifer Shows P.O. Box 1898 Hattiesburg, MS 39403-1898

The City will consider any comments or views of citizens, agencies or units of local government received in writing by October 11, 2020.