

9/26/2007 - Sires Announces \$1,037,329 For Jersey City Police Department

Federal grant will assist in keeping Jersey City safe

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(Washington, D.C.) - Congressman Albio Sires announced today that the Jersey City Police Department will receive a grant in the amount of \$1,037,329. This grant will be used to help target violent crime in the city through intense and aggressive policing.

"We all have an interest in making our streets safer," said Congressman Sires. "This grant will help the Jersey City Police Department purchase the most advanced technology and put more cops on the streets. Ultimately, these federal funds will help them do their jobs better."

This grant, awarded under the Edward Byrne Memorial Discretionary Grants Program, is designed to assist state and local jurisdictions in improving the criminal justice system and assisting communities in preventing drug abuse and crime. The Jersey City Police Department will be able to use these funds to support personnel costs associated with the Safer Community Task Force, a joint effort between the police department and the Hudson County Prosecutor's Office. In addition, this grant will allow the Jersey City Police Department to purchase and install closed-circuit television surveillance equipment to monitor high crime areas, as well as laptop computers for police officers to use while on patrol.

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