



Department of Justice  
Office of Justice Programs  
Bureau of Justice Assistance

## GRANT MANAGER'S MEMORANDUM, PT. I: PROJECT SUMMARY

### Grant

PROJECT NUMBER

2008-DD-BX-0447

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This project is supported under FY08(BJA - Byrne Discretionary Grants) P.L. 110-161

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3a. TITLE OF THE PROGRAM

Congressionally Mandated Award

3b. POMS CODE (SEE INSTRUCTIONS  
ON REVERSE)

4. TITLE OF PROJECT

Durham Forensic Enhancement Project

5. NAME & ADDRESS OF GRANTEE

City of Durham  
101 City Hall Plaza  
Durham, NC 27701-3101

6. NAME & ADDRESS OF SUBGRANTEE

7. PROGRAM PERIOD

FROM: 07/01/2008 TO: 12/31/2010

8. BUDGET PERIOD

FROM: 07/01/2008 TO: 12/31/2010

9. AMOUNT OF AWARD

\$ 357,739

10. DATE OF AWARD

09/10/2008

11. SECOND YEAR'S BUDGET

12. SECOND YEAR'S BUDGET AMOUNT

13. THIRD YEAR'S BUDGET PERIOD

14. THIRD YEAR'S BUDGET AMOUNT

15. SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT (See instruction on reverse)

The Edward Byrne Memorial Discretionary Grants Program (Byrne Discretionary Program) helps local communities improve the capacity of local justice systems and provides for national support efforts. This project is authorized and funded through a line item in the FY 08 Congressional Budget. Funds should be used for purposes recommended by Congress.

The city of Durham will support the expansion and improvement of the Durham Police Department's Forensic Services Unit (DPD-FSU). DPD-FSU is understaffed and underequipped to address the needs of the city and County of Durham. The city of Durham will create a Firearms Analyst position; provide training to DPD-FSU staff on computer forensics, data recovery and acquisition, and forensic investigations; develop a lab information management system to improve the unit's workflow and efficiency; and purchase supplies such as digital cameras, office furniture, laptop computers, data lines, and software conversions. The goal is to equip DPD-FSU staff with the ability to thoroughly process evidence at crime scenes and in the lab, making the unit more self-sufficient and alleviating a backlog of cases enabling them to produce more results.

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