



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting of February 8, 2022

DATE: February 8, 2022
TO: Peter Zaroni, City Manager
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Approval to submit a grant application to the State of Texas, Criminal Justice Division for funding available under the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Fund to continue the Victim

CAPTION:

Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application for \$119,587.06 to the State of Texas under the Victims of Crime Act for salary and benefits for two full-time employees, office equipment and mileage reimbursement, with \$13,760.00 in-kind services.

SUMMARY:

Funding is available from the State of Texas, Criminal Justice Division, for projects with the primary mission of providing direct services to victims of crime.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The grant would provide funding for a victim case manager for community outreach to identify resistant or reluctant victims of crime and to assist victims in understanding and participating in the criminal justice system. Through public presentations, multi-disciplinary meetings, and legal advocacy, the case manager will provide crisis intervention and follow-up services to establish rapport and build resiliency of victims in districts at high risk for violence. The grant also provides for a Staff Assistant to maintain accurate and timely records, including information properly entered into database systems.

The grant would provide funding for the salary/benefits of one Victim Case Manager, one Staff Assistant, equipment, supplies, training, and mileage. The intern volunteer hours will count for the in-kind contribution. The grant period is from October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023. There is no cash match required. This is the tenth year of the program. Last year the City received \$98,964.86.

ALTERNATIVES:

The alternative is not to apply for the grant and discontinue the victim assistance program until other funding sources are determined.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The Victims of Crime Act Grant in the amount of \$119,587.06 will increase the Police Grants

Revenue for the Victims of Crime Outreach Program.

Funding Detail

Fund 1061
Organization/Activity: Police Grants Fund 1061 - 852022
Mission Element: 156
Project # (CIP Only): N/A
Account: 510100 Salaries and Wages
511000 Retirement
513000 Group insurance benefits
513001 Other employee benefits
530160 Rentals
530200 Telephone/telegraph
547010 Travel
548120 Self Insurance Allocation

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends submission of the grant application, as presented.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Resolution