



## AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting of February 19, 2019

**DATE:** January 30, 2019

**TO:** Keith Selman, Interim City Manager

**FROM:** Mike Markle, Chief of Police  
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Approval to submit a grant application to the State of Texas, Criminal Justice Division for funding available under the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Fund.

**CAPTION:** Resolution authorizing submission of grant application for \$54,338.83 to the State of Texas under the Violence Against Women Act with city cash match of \$14,000 and \$8,280 in-kind services.

**PURPOSE:** Year 20 funding is available from the State of Texas, Criminal Justice Division, under the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) that provides funds to projects with the primary mission of reducing and preventing violence against women

**BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:** The grant continues support for the Family Violence Unit that utilizes officers and volunteers to contact family violence victims when a written report is made by a field officer or from a walk-in to the unit at the Police Department. The grant provides funds for one victim case manager to contact victims who often fear retaliation and violence when the offender is released following arrest; contact with an advocate (case manager) can provide information concerning alternatives, available services, and protective orders to avoid continued violence. The case manager serves to establish and encourage a working relationship between social agencies and the Police Department and provides educational opportunities to the community through speaking engagements, distribution of literature, etc.

The long term goal of the grant is to provide victims of domestic violence and other serious crimes with crisis intervention, follow up assistance, encourage cooperation with law enforcement, facilitate utilization of available resources, and assist with immediate and long-term safety needs.

The State provides for the salary/benefits of one Victim Case Manager, equipment, supplies, training, and mileage, volunteer hours contribute the in-kind contribution, and the City contributes for training, travel, supplies and miscellaneous equipment as the required match. This grant period will be 9/1/2019 to 8/31/2020.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

None

**OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:**

**CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:**

Conforms to all city policies.

**EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:**

Non-Emergency

**DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:**

Finance

Legal

OMB

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

X Operating

☐ Revenue

☐ Capital

☐ Not applicable

<b>Fiscal Year: 2018 - 2019</b>	<b>Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)</b>	<b>Current Year</b>	<b>Future Years</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>
Line Item Budget		\$62,000	\$62,000	\$124,000
Encumbered / Expended Amount				
This item		\$1,166.67	\$12,833.33	\$14,000
BALANCE		\$60,833.33	\$49,166.67	\$110,000

Fund(s): General

**Comments:****RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends submission of the grant application

**LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

Resolution