



City of Maricopa

Legislation Text

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The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action to accept a grant award and enter into a contract with the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission in the amount of \$26,282 for the part-time victim advocate position in FY15/16. Funds for the grant is available under the grants fund, police support services, salary/benefits (22022123-51100-52600). There is a 50/50 match requirement with this grant application of \$26,922 will be taken from the General Fund, Support Services, Salary/Benefits (10022123-51100-52600). Discussion and Action.

On March 2, 2015 the Mayor and City Council approved a grant submission to the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission (ACJC) to request continued funding for a part-time Victim Advocate position. On May 22, 2015 the Maricopa Police Department received a notice of an approved grant award through ACJC.

Per the grant requirements, since the Maricopa Police Department has been providing victim services through a volunteer program prior to 2011, there is a 50% match requirement and in-kind sources are not allowable. Additionally, ACJC will most likely only fund a part-time position. Matching sources for this grant can include, salary costs, training costs, printing for Victim Services Brochures, Victim Rights Week Event and materials, uniforms and supplies for the Victim Assistance volunteers. These items are in the tentatively adopted FY15-16 budget.

There are additional funding sources the Maricopa Police Department may seek funding through to make this a full-time position and will be allowable as the matching requirement to include but not limited to; Arizona Department of Public Safety, Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) and foundation level funding opportunities like the Mary Kay Foundation and Arizona Women Foundation.

The Maricopa Police Department has provided to date in 2015 has had 168 contacts with victims'/witnesses of crimes through crisis response. This is a 257% increase in services and contacts with victims form this time in 2014 with only 47 contacts.

This item will be presented by Police Chief, Steve Stahl.

Staff recommends the Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action to accept a grant award and enter into a contract with the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission in the amount of \$26,282 for the part-time victim advocate position in FY15/16. Funds for the grant is available under the grants fund, police support services, salary/benefits (22022123-51100-52600). There is a 50/50 match requirement with this grant application of \$26,922 will be taken from the General Fund, Support Services, Salary/Benefits (10022123-51100-52600).