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Criminal Justice Services Board Grants Committee Meeting

October 1, 2020

Members Present

Chief James Williams
Chief Craig Branch
Ms. Angie Carrera
Sheriff Vanessa Crawford
Mr. Edward Macon
Ms. Victoria Pearson

Members of the public

Jennifer Sayegh – McGuireWoods

I. Call to Order

Chief James Williams called the meeting to order at 11:08 AM with 13 online attendees.

II. Roll Call

Chief Williams asked Ms. DeAndrea Williams to conduct the Roll Call. Ms. Williams stated there was a quorum with five members present. Sheriff Vanessa Crawford joined after the roll was taken.

III. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting

Chief Williams called for a corrections, deletions, and/or additions to the minutes from the May 7, 2020 meeting. Ms. Victoria Pearson noted a correction to the minutes stating a recusal from grant 252 via an email to Ms. DeAndrea Williams dated May 21, 2020. Ms. Angie Carrera made the motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Eddie Macon. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Grant Review

A. Victims Services

Ms. Anndelynn Martin, Sexual Assault and Intimate Partner Violence Program Coordinator presented an overview of the Sexual Assault Services Program grants that went before the Committee for consideration.

Sexual Assault Services Program

In 2020, SASP was turned this into a competitive grant process and DCJS increased the award cap to \$25,000. In CY 2020, DCJS had 20 applicants and awarded 19 of them. They received approximately \$25,000 each. In CY 2021, DCJS kept it competitive with the same award cap. We had \$525,000 to award and received 30 applicants with a total request of \$702,993. DCJS recommends 13 applicants for full funding, 11 applicants are recommended for decreased funding, and six applicants are not recommended for funding.

Reviewers recommended not funding the following expenses/activities: out of state travel and out of state conference costs, items that were not pro-rated, prevention related material (which is unallowable), attendance to conferences that were not identified as sexual assault specific, and items that were not for the provision of direct services (i.e. cups, t-shirts, travel to meetings with paraprofessionals, salary for staff who do not provide direct service, and credentialing fees).

A motion was made by Chief Craig Branch, seconded by Mr. Eddie Macon. The motion passed unanimously. There was one recusal (Chief Branch – Rappahannock Council Against Sexual Assault).

V. Other Business

The Chair recognized Mr. Tracy Matthews, Law Enforcement Training and Grants Supervisor to provide an overview of a request from the Town of Vienna related to their Byrne JAG grant.

Around this time last year, the Grants Committee approved and CJSB later awarded a Byrne/JAG grant 20-A4922AD16 to the Town of Vienna in the amount of \$119,962 to fund their project: the Northern Virginia Regional Gang Task Force (NVRGTF). The grant award period was from 01/01/2020 – 06/30/2021. This grant was awarded to the Town of Vienna who has since, due to personnel reasons, requested that the grant and the fiscal responsibilities of the grant be transferred to another locality on the task force, Fairfax County. Fairfax County has agreed to assume the responsibility of the grant. Since the grant was awarded to the Town of Vienna, the department is requesting permission to make the change in the award, giving it to Fairfax County.

(Mr. Albert Stokes clarified programmatic and fiscal responsibilities of the grant would be transferred to Fairfax County.)

A motion was made by Me. Eddie Macon, seconded by Sheriff Vanessa Crawford. The motion passed unanimously.

VI. New Business

No New Business was brought forth at this meeting.

VII. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

VIII. Announcements

Chief Williams announced that the date for the next meeting is to be determined.

IX. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 11:24am.