



COMMISSIONERS COURT COMMUNICATION

REFERENCE NUMBER _____

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DATE: 02/07/2023

SUBJECT: APPROVAL TO SUBMIT THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 GENERAL VICTIM ASSISTANCE DIRECT SERVICES PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION AND RESOLUTION TO THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR, CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION TO FUND THREE VICTIM ADVOCATE POSITIONS IN THE CRIMINAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

***** CONSENT AGENDA *****

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve the submission of the FY 2024 General Victim Assistance Direct Services Program grant application and resolution to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, for three (3) Victim Advocate positions for the Victim Services Unit of the Criminal District Attorney's (CDA) Office.

BACKGROUND

In October 2016, the Commissioner's Court approved funding to create a Felony Intimate Partner Violence Prosecution Team for the Criminal District Attorney's Office. On February 14, 2017, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #124532, approved the CDA's request to add three (3) additional Victim Advocates to provide more comprehensive victim services to high-risk victims of intimate partner violence, in tandem with the prosecution team, for cases identified as high-risk and filed as misdemeanor offenses.

The CDA's Office seeks permission to request grant funding in the amount of \$380,595.32 from the Office of the Governor to continue funding three (3) Victim Advocates for the Victim Services Unit.

The Budget and Risk Management Office has reviewed the application.

FISCAL IMPACT

The requested amount is \$380,595.32. No match is required for the grant. However, subsidized funds have historically been included in the CDA's budget and will again be requested in the FY 2024 budget.

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