



# COMMISSIONERS COURT COMMUNICATION

REFERENCE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

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DATE: 09/05/2023

**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF FISCAL YEAR 2024 INTERIM FUNDING FOR A BILINGUAL VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR FOR THE CRIMINAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FUNDED THROUGH THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL**

**\*\*\* CONSENT AGENDA \*\*\***

**COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED**

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve FY 2024 interim funding in the amount of \$11,209.00 for the Criminal District Attorney's Office (CDA) Bilingual Victim Assistance Coordinator currently funded through the Office of the Attorney General for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days.

**BACKGROUND**

On September 20, 2022, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #139173, accepted the FY 2023 grant award in the amount of \$44,836.00 from the Office of the Attorney General to fund a Bilingual Victim Assistance Coordinator for the CDA's Office.

The CDA's Bilingual Victim Assistance Coordinator has been assisting Spanish-speaking crime victims since 2002. The position continues to receive positive reception from departments within the CDA's Office and community organizations, highlighting the continued need for this assistance.

The existing grant expired on August 31, 2023, and the Office of the Attorney General has not yet announced the awards for the next year's grant period. The program is expected to receive funding.

If approved, interim funding will be utilized to continue funding the Bilingual Victim Assistance Coordinator within the CDA's Office.

This request has been reviewed by the Budget Office and Auditor's Office.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

If County funds are utilized, the grant will reimburse the interim funding upon the Commissioners Court approval of the grant contract renewal. If interim funding is required for ninety (90) days, the estimated cost will be as follows:

Criminal District Attorney/Victim Coordinator and Liaison Grant (M0048-2024/4510120000) - \$11,209.00.

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