

City of Columbus

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Legislation Text

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Background:

The Columbus City Attorney's Office in collaboration with the Franklin County Sheriff's Office, the Franklin County Municipal Courts, J Investigations LLC, Urban Advocacy and Investigations LLC, CHOICES, Buckeye Region Anti-Violence Organization (BRAVO), Sexual Assault Response Network of Central Ohio, (SARNCO) and the Columbus Coalition Against Family Violence applied for a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women.

The grant was awarded and this legislation will authorize the Mayor to accept the grant and will further authorize the appropriation of funds. The funds will be used for a team of stalking investigators and Franklin County detectives, the development and implementation of training and manuals, and the purchase of needed equipment and supplies. The program will promote the development of arrest policies and the enforcement of protection order and enhance victim safety and offender accountability in cases of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking.

The Columbus City Attorney's Office, Domestic Violence and Stalking Unit will be the implementing agency.

Emergency action is requested to allow the grant activities to commence as soon as possible. The term of the grant is from October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2013.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no required match for this grant.

Project period: 10/01/11 - 09/30/13

Federal Share: \$841,661.00

Matching funds: \$0 Total Grant: \$842.661.00

To authorize the Mayor to accept a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women; the appropriation of grant funds in the amount of Eight Hundred Forty-one Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-one Dollars for the funding of the OVW Stalking Initiative Grant; and to declare an emergency. (\$841,661.00)

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women, has awarded the City of Columbus, a grant in the amount of Eight Hundred Forty-one Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-one Dollars (\$841,661.00) for the OVW Stalking Initiative Grant #2011-WE-AX-0043; and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney's Office is the implementing agency for said grant; and,

WHEREAS, the grant award period is October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2013; and,

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the daily operation of the City in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Mayor to accept the grant award and to appropriate the grant funds in order that the services supported may commence as soon as possible; and for the preservation of the pubic health, peace, property, safety and welfare; and, now therefore,

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, OHIO

SECTION 1. That the Mayor be and hereby is authorized to accept the OVW Stalking Initiative Grant #2011-WE-AX-0043 in the amount of Eight Hundred Forty-one Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-one Dollars (\$841,661.00) from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women.

SECTION 2. That from the unappropriated monies in the General Government Grant Fund and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the project award period the sum of Eight Hundred Forty-one thousand, Six Hundred Sixty-one Dollars (\$841,661.00) is appropriated as follows: department 2401, OVW Stalking Initiative Grant, grant number 241103, fund number 220, organizational cost account 241103, object level one 02 the amount of Seventy-six Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-five Dollars (\$76,965,00) and object level one 03 the amount of Seven Hundred Sixty-four Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-six Dollars (\$764,696.00).

SECTION 3. That monies appropriated in the foregoing Section 2 shall be paid upon order of the City Attorney and that no order shall be drawn or money paid except by voucher, the form of which shall be approved by the City Auditor.

SECTION 4. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.