



## Legislation Text

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### Background:

This legislation will authorize the City Attorney to accept a grant award from the State of Ohio, Office of the Attorney General, for the funding of the State Victims Assistance Act (SVAA) Domestic Violence and Pretrial Services Advocates program within the City Attorney's Office. This program assists witnesses and victims of misdemeanor domestic violence, stalking and related crimes through the legal process and provides counseling, referrals, and linkage with agencies and community resources. This ordinance will further authorize the appropriation and expenditure of the grant funds.

### Fiscal Impact:

There are no matching funds required and therefore no cost to the general fund by accepting this grant.

Grant Period: 10/01/15 - 09/30/16

Grant Funds: \$9,743.00

Matching funds: \$0

Total Grant: \$9,743.00

### Emergency Action:

The City Attorney's Office is requesting emergency action designation so as to allow timely commencement of this grant program.

To authorize the City Attorney to accept the 15-16 SVAA Domestic Violence and Pretrial Services Advocates grant award from the State of Ohio, Office of the Attorney General, in the amount of \$9,743.00 for the partial funding of the Domestic Violence and Pretrial Services Advocates program; to authorize the appropriation of said funds; and to declare an emergency. (\$9,743.00)

**WHEREAS**, the State of Ohio, Office of the Attorney General, has awarded the Columbus City Attorney's Office a grant in the amount of Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-three Dollars (\$9,743.00) for the 15-16 SVAA Domestic Violence and Pretrial Services Advocates Grant No. 2015-SVAA-19815747 for the grant period of October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, there is no required match for this grant; and

**WHEREAS**, an emergency exists in the daily operation of the Columbus City Attorney's Office in that it is immediately necessary to accept and appropriate the grant award so that the services supported may commence, all for the preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; now, therefore,

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

**SECTION 1.** That the Columbus City Attorney is hereby authorized to accept a grant award from the State of Ohio, Office of the Attorney General, in the amount of Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-three Dollars (\$9,743.00) for the 15-16 SVAA Domestic Violence and Pretrial Services Advocates Grant No. 2015-SVAA-19815747.

**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 Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-three Dollars (\$9,743.00) is appropriated as follows: department 2401, 15-16 SVAA Domestic Violence and Pretrial Services Advocates Grant, grant number 241505, fund number 220, organizational cost account 241505, object level three 1000, \$7,243.00 and object level three 3000 \$2,500.00.

**SECTION 3.** That funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

**SECTION 4.** That funds appropriated 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 5.** That at the end of the grant period, any repayment of unencumbered balances required by the grantor is hereby authorized and any unused city match monies may be transferred back to the city fund from which they originated in accordance with all applicable grant agreements.

**SECTION 6.** 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.