



Legislation Text

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Dept/ Agency: Health and Community Wellness

Action: Ratifying Authorizing Amending

Type of Service: Application/Acceptance of Funds

Purpose: To provide support and empower individuals and families who have been impacted by a crime. (Central Ward Project)

Entity Name: State of New Jersey, Office of the Attorney General, Department of Law and Public Safety/NJ Victim Assistance Grant

Entity Address: P.O. Box 081, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0081

Grant Amount: \$400,000.00

Total Project Cost:

City Contribution: \$108,224.00

Other Funding Source/Amount:

Grant Period: September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2021

Contract Basis: Bid State Vendor Prof. Ser. EUS

Fair & Open No Reportable Contributions RFP RFQ

Private Sale Grant Sub-recipient n/a

Additional Information:

A match of municipal funds \$108,224.00 or its equivalent of in-kind City resources is required for receipt or acceptance of this grant award.

WHEREAS, the Department of Health and Community Wellness, provides support and empowers individuals and families who have been impacted by a crime, helping them restore their dignity and safety. Working with clients' inherent resiliency and self-determination, to encourage clients to lead in their path to restoring their personal power under the New Jersey Victims of Crime Act (VOCA); and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey, Office of the Attorney General, Department of Law and Public Safety has made grant funds available for the provision of such services through the NJ Victim Assistance Grant: Central Ward Project; and

WHEREAS, on June 30, 2019, on behalf of the City of Newark (the "City"), the Director of the Department of Health, and Community Wellness submitted an application to the State of New Jersey, Office of the Attorney General, Department of Law and Public Safety, P.O. Box 081, Trenton, New Jersey 08525-0081, requesting grant funding of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$400,000.00), for the NJ Victim Assistance Grant: Central Ward Project, to provide support and work with victims of crime; and

WHEREAS, as a result of this application, the State of New Jersey, Office of the Attorney General, Department of Law and Public Safety, New Jersey Victims of Crime Act (VOCA), awarded the City a grant in the amount of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$400,000.00) to

provide individualized advocacy, educational crime prevention workshops and support groups for victims of crime, for the period commencing on September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes that the State of New Jersey, Office of the Attorney General, Department of Law and Public Safety, New Jersey Victims of Crime Act (VOCA), may extend time of Grant Award and/or provide additional funds if made available; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey, Office of the Attorney General, Department of Law and Public Safety, New Jersey Victims of Crime Act (VOCA), will amend the grant to reflect the extension of grant period and/or increase or decrease of additional funds if made available; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to agree to any amendments to the grant; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the receipt or acceptance of the grant award, the City shall provide One Hundred Eight Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-Four Dollars and Zero Cents (\$108,224.00) in matching municipal funds or its equivalent in in-kind dedication of City resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

1. The Mayor and/or his designee, the Director of the Department of Health and Community Wellness, are hereby authorized to submit an application to the State of New Jersey, Office of the Attorney General, Department of Law and Public Safety, New Jersey Victims of Crime Act (VOCA), P.O. Box 081, Trenton, New Jersey 08525-0081, requesting grant funding in the amount of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$400,000.00), for the provision of victims of crime services, community outreach and case management for victims and families who have been impacted by a crime.
2. The Municipal Council hereby ratifies its authorization of this application from the date of application submission to the date of adoption of this authorizing resolution.
3. The grant award in the amount of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$400,000.00) from the State of New Jersey, Office of the Attorney General, Department of Law and Public Safety, New Jersey Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) is hereby accepted (a copy of the award is attached hereto and made a part hereof).
4. The Mayor and/or his designee, the Director of the Department of Health and Community Wellness, are hereby authorized to enter into and execute grant documents with the State of New Jersey, Office of the Attorney General, Department of Law and Public Safety, New Jersey Victims of Crime Act (VOCA), to receive and expend the grant funds for the period of September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2021 (a copy of the Agreement is attached and made a part hereto).
5. The Municipal Council hereby ratifies the acceptance of this grant award September 1, 2019 to the date of adoption of this authorizing resolution.
6. The Director of the Department of Health and Community Wellness shall file a fully executed copy of the grant application and notice of grant award in the Office of the City Clerk.

7. In accordance with the receipt or acceptance of the grant award, the City shall provide One Hundred Eight Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-Four Dollars and Zero Cents (\$108,224.00) in matching municipal funds or its equivalent in in-kind dedication of City resources.

STATEMENT

This resolution ratifies and authorizes the actions taken by the Mayor and/or his designee, the Director of the Department of Health and Community Wellness to apply for and accept grant funds in the amount of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$400,000.00) from the State of New Jersey, Office of the Attorney General, Department of Law and Public Safety, for the provision of the New Jersey Victims Assistance: Central Ward Project services to victims and families for the period of September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2021, a copy of the grant award is attached. In accordance with the receipt or acceptance of the grant award, the City shall provide One Hundred Eight Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-Four Dollars and Zero Cents (\$108,224.00) in matching municipal funds or its equivalent in in-kind dedication of City resources.