

City of Dallas

1500 Marilla Street Council Chambers, 6th Floor Dallas, Texas 75201

Legislation Text

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STRATEGIC PRIORITY: Public Safety

AGENDA DATE: November 8, 2023

COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): All

DEPARTMENT: Police Department

EXECUTIVE: Jon Fortune

SUBJECT

Authorize cooperative working agreements through the 2023-2024 Internet Crimes Against Children Grant with various Police Departments, District Attorney Offices, Sheriff Offices, and the Dallas Children's Advocacy Center as requested for the investigation, prosecution, education, and counseling activities related to the Dallas Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force response to internet related sexual exploitation of children for the period October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024 - Not to exceed \$300,000.00 - Financing: U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Grant Funds

BACKGROUND

The Dallas Police Department has received the 2023-2024 Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Grant for the period October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024. The grant will provide funding to the Dallas County District Attorney's Office, Tarrant County District Attorney's Office, Collin County District Attorney's Office, Collin County Sheriff's Office, Tarrant County Sheriff's Office, Denton County Sheriff's Office, Grayson County Sheriff's Office, Henderson County Sheriff's Office, Abilene Police Department, Amarillo Police Department, Arlington Police Department, Fort Worth Police Department, Frisco Police Department, Garland Police Department, Grand Prairie Police Department, Irving Police Department, Longview Police Department, Lubbock Police Department, Mesquite Police Department, Wichita Falls Police Department, Wylie Police Department, and the Dallas Children's Advocacy Center. This funding will support the Federal Dallas Crimes Against Children Task Force to reduce crime related to the internet sexual exploitation of children.

The ICAC Grant allows the Dallas Police Department to support internet crime operations through designated satellite law enforcement agencies that assist the Dallas Police Department in its efforts to combat internet crimes against children. All the funds will be utilized by the agencies to fund equipment purchases, training, undercover expenses, and overtime as related to their ICAC efforts.

This grant provides funding for the Dallas Children's Advocacy Center to sponsor scholarships for smaller agencies that normally would not be able to send a representative to the 2024 Crimes Against Children Conference to be held in Dallas.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)

On January 13, 2021, the City Council authorized an application for and acceptance of the 2016-2019 Internet Crimes Against Children Continuation Grant (Grant No. Grant No. 2019-MC-FX-K056, CFDA No. 16.543) for the period October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2021, by Resolution No. 21-0155.

On January 13, 2021, the City Council authorized a continuation of cooperative working agreements with the Arlington Police Department, Garland Police Department, Longview Police Department, Fort Worth Police Department, Abilene Police Department, Amarillo Police Department, Lubbock Police Department, Tarrant County Sheriff's Office, Dallas County District Attorney's Office, Tarrant County District Attorney's Office, Collin County Sheriff's Office, Longview Police Department, Wichita Falls Police Department and the Dallas Children's Advocacy Center for the period October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2021, by Resolution No. 21-0156.

On January 13, 2022, the City Council authorized an application for and acceptance of the 2016-2019 Internet Crimes Against Children Continuation Grant (Grant No. Grant No. 2019-MC-FX-K056, CFDA No. 16.543) for the period October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2022, by Resolution No. 22-0250.

On January 13, 2022, the City Council authorized a continuation of cooperative working agreements with the Dallas County District Attorney's Office, Tarrant County District Attorney's Office, Collin County Sheriff's Office, Tarrant County Sheriff's Office, Lamar County Sheriff's Office, Abilene Police Department, Amarillo Police Department, Arlington Police Department, Fort Worth Police Department, Wichita Falls Police Department, Grand Prairie Police Department, Garland Police Department, Lamar Police Department, Longview Police Department, Lubbock Police Department, Harrison Police, Department, Henderson Police Department, Princeton Police Department and the Dallas, Children's Advocacy Center are approved by the execution of cooperative working agreements for the period October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2022, by Resolution No. 22-0251.

On December 14, 2022, the City Council authorized an application for and acceptance of the 2016-2019 Internet Crimes Against Children Continuation Grant (Grant No. Grant No. 2019-MC-FX-K056, CFDA No. 16.543) for the period October 1, 2022, through September 30, 2023, by Resolution No. 22-1804.

On December 14, 2022, the City Council authorized a continuation of cooperative working agreements with the Dallas County District Attorney's Office, Collin County District Attorney's Office, Collin County Sheriff's Office, Grayson County Sheriff's Office, Henderson County Sheriff's Office, Tarrant County District Attorney's Office, Denton County Sheriff's Office, Tarrant County Sheriff's Office, Abilene Police Department, Amarillo Police Department, Arlington Police Department, Fort Worth Police Department, Frisco Police Department, Grand Prairie Police Department, Garland Police Department, Irving Police Department, Longview Police Department, Lubbock Police Department, Mesquite Police Department, Texarkana Police Department, Wichita Falls Police Department, Wylie Police Department, and the Dallas, Children's Advocacy Center are approved by the execution of cooperative working agreements for the period October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023, by Resolution No. 22-1803.

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The City Council was briefed by memorandum regarding this matter on November 3, 2023. https://dallascityhall.com/government/citymanager/Documents/FY23-24%20Memos/PS% 20Memo 11032023.pdf>

The Public Safety Committee will be briefed by memorandum regarding this matter on December 11, 2023.

FISCAL INFORMATION

Fund	FY 2024	FY 2025	Future Years
U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile	\$300,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Justice and Delinquency Prevention Grant Funds			