

CITY OF FLAGSTAFF
STAFF SUMMARY REPORT

To: The Honorable Mayor and Council
From:
Co-Submitter: Stacey Brechler-Knaggs
Date: 08/20/2019
Meeting Date: 08/27/2019



TITLE:

Consideration and approval of Grant Agreement: To the U.S. Department of Justice, through the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission, for the Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant funds in the amount of \$283,494.00 for the Northern Arizona Street Crimes Task Force (METRO unit).

STAFF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve the acceptance of the grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, through the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission, Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant funds in the amount of \$283,494.00 for FY2020.

Executive Summary:

The City of Flagstaff was awarded \$283,494.00 in grant funds from the U.S. Department of Justice, through the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission, for the Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant funds. This grant funds one Flagstaff Police Sergeant, one Flagstaff Police investigator, and one Coconino County Sheriff's Deputy investigator. There is no cost to the City of Flagstaff.

Financial Impact:

The grant award is in the amount of \$212,621.00 (75%) with required matching funds of \$70,873.00 (25%). The METRO board has authorized matching funds from the Rico account. The Rico account has provided matching funds in the past years and the board has agreed to provide the above matching funds for this year's grant. This amount will include all city costs, estimated in kind and administrative costs if above normal departmental allocation. The grant award will be the 33rd funding cycle (FY 2020) for the METRO unit. This grant is budgeted in Fiscal Year 2020.

Policy Impact:

None.

Connection to Council Goal, Regional Plan and/or Team Flagstaff Strategic Plan:

Effective Governance - Regional Plan (2030) - Planning, Public Safety, Goal PF.3 Provide high-quality emergency response and public safety services.

Has There Been Previous Council Decision on This:

Yes, the Flagstaff City Council has approved the acceptance of this grant money for the past thirty-two years.

Options and Alternatives:

Approve the acceptance of the grant or decline the acceptance of the grant.

Background and History:

As previously stated, this is the 33rd cycle of this grant in which the Flagstaff City Council has approved the previous 32 cycles.

Key Considerations:

The investigative officers this grant funds is supported by nearly every law enforcement entity in Coconino County including the Coconino County Sheriff's Office, The Flagstaff Police Department, Northern Arizona University Police, ATF, FBI, DEA, Homeland Security and the Department of Public Safety. This grant provides specialized police investigations to all the communities located within Coconino County.

Community Involvement:

Officers in the METRO Unit continuously provide support to numerous community groups including, local schools, Citizens Academy programs, local law enforcement training academies etc. in the form of training and educational presentations, drug awareness, and proactive investigations.

Expanded Options and Alternatives:

To work directly with the public through the process to ensure that public issues and concerns are consistently understood and considered.

Attachments: Grant Agreement DC-20-002