



VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT (VOCA) GRANT FOR FY 2025

RS-25-022

February 18, 2025

Background

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- The Victim Assistance Office of the Police Department has been awarded a one-year grant from the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, to fund the continuation of the Crisis Assistance Program.
- This grant will provide funding for the Crime Victims Clerk, continued professional counseling services, emergency financial assistance, and temporary shelter services for safety to victims of violent crimes.

Funding

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- Grant funds awarded to the City of Killeen are **\$87,523.81.**
- This year, there is a 20% cash match requirement in the amount of **\$21,880.95.**
- The total project amount is **\$109,404.76.**
- Matching funds are already budgeted as part of the Crime Victim Liaison's salary.

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the City Council authorize the City Manager or their designee to accept the 2025 VOCA grant award for the Killeen Crisis Assistance Program. This authorization includes the power to sign the application, as well as to reject, modify, or terminate the grant if necessary. Additionally, the City Manager or their designee will be authorized to allocate the required matching funds in the form of cash contributions. The recommendation further allows the Killeen Police Department to manage and implement the grant's responsibilities under the supervision of the City's Finance Department. In the event of any misuse or loss of grant funds, the City agrees to promptly reimburse the Criminal Justice Division of the Office of the Governor.