

**TOWN OF PRESCOTT VALLEY  
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION  
Date: February 12, 2015**

**SUBJECT:** Governor's Office of Children, Youth and Families: STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grant # ST-WSG-15-010115-17

**SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT:** Police Department

**PREPARED BY:** Laura Valenzuela, Command Staff Assistant, on behalf of Chief Bryan Jarrell

**AGENDA LOCATION:** Comments/Communications , Consent , Work/Study ,  
New Business , Public Hearing , Second Reading

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**ATTACHMENTS:** (a) Award Letter and Offer and Acceptance Form for Contract #ST-WSG-15-010115-17 (b) Grant Application: Revised Exhibits C and D – Line Item Budget and Budget Narrative

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**SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:** The Governor's Office for Children, Youth and Families (GOCYF) recently solicited applications for the federal STOP (Services·Training·Officers·Prosecutors) Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program (STOP). The goal of the STOP Program is to encourage states to develop and implement a coordinated, multidisciplinary partnership between courts, victim advocates, service providers, prosecution and law enforcement for the purpose of reducing violent crimes against women and enhancing victim services. Emphasis of the STOP Program continues to be on the implementation of comprehensive strategies addressing violence against women that are sensitive to the needs and safety of victims and hold offenders accountable for their crimes.

On September 26, 2014, the Prescott Valley Police Department (PVPD) submitted application to the GOCYF to receive STOP Grant funding. PVPD's proposed program focused on addressing violent crimes against women, including domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking and dating violence, through service expansion and continuation of the department's Family Violence Unit (FVU). This specialized unit was created in 2009 through previous three-year STOP grant awards. The unit is comprised of a Patrol Sergeant, Patrol Corporal, Detective, Community Service Officer and Administrative Specialist; in addition to providing equipment and supplies necessary to maintain the unit.

On January 26, 2015, PVPD received notice of approved grant funding to continue the FVU and its objectives. Funds will provide for the salary and benefits of one (1) full time detective, one (1) full time community service officer, and one (1) full time administrative specialist (35 hours/week). The award also supports travel and training costs for unit personnel, equipment, and program materials and supplies, including vehicle expenses.

The total cost for continuation and enhancement of this program is \$275,286. The GOCYF will provide funding in the amount of \$206,465; pursuant to federal statute which mandates the STOP Formula Grant Program may not cover more than 75% of the total costs of the project funded. In accordance, a 25% non-federal match of \$68,821 will be required by the Town. The approved STOP Grant funding is a one (1) year contract that may be renewable for two (2) additional one (1) year periods, contingent upon the availability of funds. Consideration for renewal is also based on the results of program and fiscal monitoring. The contract period is effective January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015.

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**OPTIONS ANALYSIS:** Council may either accept the grant award and authorize entry into Contract # ST-WSG-15-010115-17 with the Governor’s Office of Children, Youth and Families or refuse the grant award.

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**ACTION OPTION:** Motion to approve Contract # ST-WSG-15-010115-17 with the Governor’s Office of Children, Youth and Families to accept the grant award, **OR** Motion not to approve this Contract and grant award. **VOTE.**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends approving the Contract with the Governor’s Office of Children, Youth and Families and accepting the grant award.

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**FISCAL ANALYSIS:** The STOP Grant requires a 25% non-federal funding match from the Town in the amount of \$68,821. This match can be provided through cash or in-kind services.

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**REVIEWED BY:**

Management Services Director \_\_\_\_\_

Town Clerk \_\_\_\_\_

Town Attorney \_\_\_\_\_

Town Manager \_\_\_\_\_

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**COUNCIL ACTION:**

Approved  Denied  Tabled/Deferred  Assigned to \_\_\_\_\_