

**TOWN OF PRESCOTT VALLEY
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION
Date: November 19, 2015**

SUBJECT: Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family: 2016 STOP Grant Renewal

SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT: Police Department

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

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

ATTACHMENTS: (a) Solicitation

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND: The Governor's Office for Youth, Faith and Family (GOYFF) 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 November 2015, the Prescott Valley Police Department (PVPD) submitted an application to the GOYFF 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 Detective Sergeant, Detective, Community Service Officer and Administrative Specialist.

The total cost for continuation and enhancement of this program is \$275,286. The GOYFF 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 one (1) additional one (1) year period, contingent upon the availability of funds. Consideration for renewal is also based on the results of program and fiscal monitoring.

OPTIONS ANALYSIS: Council may either accept the grant solicitation and authorize the application submittal of the 2016 STOP Grant Renewal with the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family or refuse the grant application submittal.

ACTION OPTION: Motion to approve the grant application submittal for the 2016 STOP Grant Renewal with the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family, **OR** Motion not to approve this solicitation and grant application submittal. **VOTE.**

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends approving the solicitation with the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family and accepting the grant application submittal.

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.

REVIEWED BY:

Management Services Director _____

Town Clerk _____

Town Attorney _____

Town Manager _____

COUNCIL ACTION:

Approved Denied Tabled/Deferred Assigned to _____