

**TOWN OF PRESCOTT VALLEY
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION
Date: December 15, 2016**

SUBJECT: U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Program (OJP), Office of Victim of Crime (OVC), Arizona Department of Public Safety (DPS), Victims of Crime Act (VOCA): VOCA Crime Victim Assistance Grant FY 2016/2017 DPS Grant Agreement # 2015-446

SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT: Police Department

PREPARED BY: Laura Valenzuela, Command Staff Assistant/Grant Coordinator on behalf of Chief Bryan Jarrell

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

ATTACHMENTS: (a) Award Letter (b) Subgrant Award Agreement Attachments (c) Agreement

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND: The Arizona Department of Public Safety (DPS) recently solicited applications for the federal VOCA (Victims of Crime Act) Victim Assistance Grant Program. The goal of the VOCA Program is to support government agencies that provide direct services to victims of crime. Priority will be given to serving victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, child physical and sexual abuse, and previously underserved victims of violent crime such as drunk driving crashes, elder abuse, adults molested as children, survivors of homicide victims, robber or bank robbery, assault, stalking, kidnapping, identity theft, hate crimes and victims of exploitation and fraud.

On November 14, 2016 PVPD received notice of approved grant funding. Funds provided for the salary and employee related expenses (ERE) for one part-time Community Service Officer – Victim Crime Unit Assistant and operating-supplies.

The total cost for this program is \$17,570. The VOCA program will provide funding in the amount of \$14,056; pursuant to federal statute which mandates the VOCA grant program may not cover more than 80% of the total costs of the project funded. In accordance, a 20% non-federal match of \$3,514 will be required by the town. Matching funds are to be met with cash.

The award agreement is effective October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017.

OPTIONS ANALYSIS: Council may accept the grant award and authorize entry into agreement # 2015-446 with the Department of Public Safety or refuse the grant award.

ACTION OPTION: Motion to approve agreement # 2015-446 with the Department of Public Safety to accept the grant award, **OR** Motion not to approve this agreement and grant award. **VOTE.**

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends approving the agreement with the Arizona Department of Public Safety and accepting the grant award.

FISCAL ANALYSIS: The VOCA grant requires a 20% non-federal funding match from the town in the amount of \$3,514. This match is to be provided through cash.

REVIEWED BY:

Management Services Director _____

Town Clerk _____

Town Attorney _____

Town Manager _____

COUNCIL ACTION:

Approved Denied Tabled/Deferred Assigned to _____