



Gaston County

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Financial and Management Services - Budget Board Action

File #: 25-025

Commissioner Brown - Financial and Management Services - Grants (Hope United Survivor Network) - To Accept and Appropriate Additional Federal Governor's Crime Commission Grant Funds for the Gaston County District Attorney's Office Victim Witness Assistance Program (\$97,297.66 - 25% Match: \$32,432.55)

STAFF CONTACT

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BUDGET IMPACT

Increase in General Fund Federal grant revenue and associated expenditures. No additional County funds (\$97,297.66).

The 25% match (\$32,432.55) will be covered by a portion of an Assistant District Attorney's salary, who will be working alongside the Victim Witness Assistance Program Coordinator.

BACKGROUND

Gaston County, through the Hope United Survivor Network, has been awarded a one-year GCC grant in the amount of \$97,297.66 to support salary and partial benefits for a Victim Witness Assistance Coordinator, trained to handle the sensitive issues that arise in domestic violence and sexual assault cases.

The Victim Witness Assistance Coordinator will be a resource working in the Gaston County District Attorney's Office to coordinate assistance to victims with local service providers, shelter, safety plans, justice system navigation (e.g. procedures, case status, and court appearances), crisis intervention, and information.

Grant period of performance: 10/1/24 - 9/30/25.

POLICY IMPACT

N/A

ATTACHMENTS

Budget Change Request (BCR), Grant Award Letter

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I, Donna S. Buff, Clerk to the County Commission, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of action taken by the Board of Commissioners as follows:

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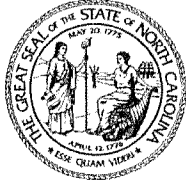
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GASTON COUNTY BUDGET CHANGE REQUEST (BCR)			
TO:	Matthew Rhoten, County Manager		
FROM:	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 30%; padding: 5px;">BGT-1000</td> <td style="padding: 5px;">Financial & Management Services - Budget</td> </tr> </table> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 5px;"> Dept. Code Department Name </div>	BGT-1000	Financial & Management Services - Budget
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*Requires resolution by the Board of Commissioners

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** Decreases in expenditures and increases in revenue accounts require brackets. Increases in expenditures and decreases in revenue do not require brackets. Please note that transfers between funds require inter-fund transfer accounts.		

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<http://www.ncdps.gov/gcc/>

AMENDED GRANT AWARD

Project Name: 2023/2024 Gaston County District Attorney Office Victim-Witness Assistance Program

Grant Period: 10/01/2023 - 09/30/2025

Agreement Number: 2000071074

Subrecipient: Gaston County

Implementing Agency: Hope United Survivor Network

Authorizing Official: Matthew Rhoten

Project Director: Tanisha Maness

Source 1: 2023 Violence Against Women

Start date: 10/1/23 **End date:** 9/30/24

Source 2: 2024 Violence Against Women

Start date: 10/1/24 **End date:** 9/30/2025

CFDA #: 16.588

Federal Grant Number 1: 15JOVW-23-GG-00586-STOP

Federal Grant Number 2: 15JOVW-24-GG-00509-STOP

Federal Funding Award (%): 75.00%

Match Funding Required (%): 25.00%

Federal Funding Award (\$): Source 1: \$97,297.66

Source 2: \$97,297.66

Total Match Funding Required (\$): \$64,865.11

Total Federal Funding Amount (\$): \$194,595.32

Grant Manager: Brenda Washington

Total Project Budget (\$): \$259,460.43

On behalf of the Secretary of the Department of Public Safety, the Governor's Crime Commission (GCC) hereby awards this grant funding based upon the final application and in accordance with the laws and regulations of the United States and the State of North Carolina. Your funding initially is from the federal grant source listed herein. As funding levels change, the source of the funds may change. Subrecipients agree that they will abide by, and meet all match requirements, indicated above as Match Funding.

To view additional funding details, including totals by year and by expense type, you may access an Agreement Budget Summary in the [North Carolina Enterprise Business System \(EBS\)](#).

Award requirements include not only the conditions and limitations set forth in the application and special conditions, but also compliance with assurances and certifications that relate to conduct during the period of performance for the award. These requirements encompass financial, administrative, and programmatic matters, as well as other important matters (e.g., code of federal regulation). Therefore, all key staff should receive the special conditions, the assurances and certifications provided GCC, and the application as approved by GCC, so that they understand the award requirements. Information on all pertinent award requirements also must be provided to any subrecipient of the award. No alterations of any kind may be made to this grant award.

The Special Conditions for this grant, posted on the GCC website at www.ncdps.gov/gcc/award-special-conditions/ are incorporated into this agreement as if the same were set forth herein.

By initialing here, I certify, under penalty of perjury, on behalf of myself and the applicant, to the best of my knowledge and belief, that the following are true as of the date of this award acceptance: (1) I have conducted or there was conducted on our behalf a diligent review of all terms and conditions of, and all supporting materials submitted in connection with, this award, including any assurances and certifications (including anything submitted in connection therewith by a person on behalf of the applicant before, after, or at the time of the application submission and any materials that accompany this acceptance and certification); and (2) I have the legal authority to accept this award on behalf of the applicant.

DocuSigned by: **Matthew Rhoten**
 Signature of Authorizing Official: Matthew Rhoten
 Date: 1/15/2025 | 19:13:05 PST
 Name of Authorizing Official: Matthew Rhoten

Signed by: **Caroline Farmer**
 Signature of Director: Caroline Farmer, Executive Director
 Date: 1/15/2025 | 08:33:46
 Name and Title of Director: Caroline Farmer, Executive Director

Signed by: **Tanisha Maness**
 Signature of Project Director: Tanisha Maness
 Date: 1/15/2025 | 11:35:23 EST
 Name of Project Director: Tanisha Maness

Federal Award Identification Worksheet

Federal award identification : 2023 OVW STOP Formula Grant Program

Project ID : 2000071074

Subrecipient : Gaston County

Federal Award Identification # (FAIN) : 15JOVW-23-GG-00586-STOP

Unique Entity ID (UEI) : QKY9R8A8D5J6

Federal award date : July 1, 2023 To June 30, 2025

Subaward period of performance start and end date : October 1, 2023 To September 30, 2024

Federal funds obligated in this agreement : \$97,297.66

Federal funds obligated to the subrecipient : \$297,297.66!

Total federal award : \$4,975,627.00

Indirect cost rate for the federal award : We do not receive an indirect cost rate

Indirect cost rate to be used by the subrecipient : 0.00%

Identification of whether the award is research and development (R&D) : We do not fund research and development

Pass through entity and awarding official : NC Governor's Crime Commission
Caroline Farmer, Executive Director
Caroline.Farmer@ncdps.gov

Federal awarding agency : USDOJ Office on Violence Against Women

Federal award description : This program is authorized by 34 U.S.C. §§ 10441, 10446#10451, 10454. The Services * Training * Officers * Prosecutors (STOP) Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program (STOP Formula Grant Program) (CFDA 16.588) supports communities, including American Indian tribes and Alaska Native villages, in their efforts to develop and strengthen effective responses to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. For additional information see: *OVW grant program information: <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/grant-programs>

Federal Award Identification Worksheet

Federal award identification : 2024 OVW STOP Formula Grant Program

Project ID : 2000071074

Subrecipient : Gaston County

Federal Award Identification # (FAIN) : 15JOVW-24-GG-00509-STOP

Unique Entity ID (UEI) : QKY9R8A8D5J6

Federal award date : July 1, 2024 To June 30, 2026

Subaward period of performance start and end date : October 1, 2024 To September 30, 2025

Federal funds obligated in this agreement : \$97,297.66

Federal funds obligated to the subrecipient : \$297,297.66

Total federal award : \$4,934,831.00

Indirect cost rate for the federal award : We do not receive an indirect cost

Indirect cost rate to be used by the subrecipient : rate 0.00%

Identification of whether the award is research and development (R&D) : We do not fund research and development

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