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Financial and Management Services - Budget Board Action

File #: 24-472

Commissioner Worley - Budget & Strategy - To Accept and Appropriate Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) American Rescue Plan (ARP) Sexual Assault (SA) Supplemental Grant Funds to HUSN to Support Survivors of Sexual Assault (\$51,654.66)

STAFF CONTACT

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BUDGET IMPACT

General Fund: Increase Federal revenue and expenses by \$51,654.66. No additional County funds.

BACKGROUND

The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) appropriation for the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act will fund a Sexual Assault Advocate, directly improving HUSN's capacity to provide specialized, compassionate, and effective services to survivors of sexual assault. By enhancing direct support, improving access to specialized services, strengthening community collaboration, and ensuring ongoing case management, Hope United will create a safer, more supportive environment for Sexual Assault Survivors. Additionally, essential programmatic supplies will be funded, further aiding these vital services. The grant period is August 1, 2024 - August 31, 2025.

POLICY IMPACT

N/A

ATTACHMENTS

Budget Change Request (BCR); 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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GASTON COUNTY BUDGET CHANGE REQUEST (BCR)	
TO:	Matthew Rhoten, County Manager
FROM:	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 5px; width: 40%;">BGT</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 5px; width: 55%;">Financial Management Services - Budget</div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 5px;"> <div>Dept. Code</div> <div>Department Name</div> </div>
	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 5px; width: 60%;">Scott Attaway</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 5px; width: 35%;">9/16/2024</div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 5px;"> <div>Department Director</div> <div>Date</div> </div>

*Requires resolution by the Board of Commissioners

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The purpose of the ARP Grants to Support Survivors of Sexual Assault is to 1) assist with the transition to virtual/remote services for rape crisis centers, sexual assault programs, tribal programs, and culturally specific programs that provide crisis services, support services, and assistance to survivors of sexual assault, and 2) support the increased emergency needs of sexual assault survivors as a result of the COVID-19 public health emergency.

September 19, 2024

RE: Award Letter – Sexual Assault Dual Agency- Gaston County

Dear Tara Joyner:

The Council for Women and Youth Involvement Office (CFWYI) is pleased to inform you that your agency has been selected to receive a new award from the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) American Rescue Plan (ARP) Supplemental Funds to Support Survivors of Sexual Assault (SA) Formula Grants to States and Territories.

The amount of the award is **\$51,654.65**. The grant has a project period of **August 1, 2024 – August 31, 2025**. The award is a one-time funding. There is no match required. Please refer to the Sexual Assault funding announcement from CFWYI for details regarding funding instructions including allowable use of funds, Sexual Assault Guidelines, and FVPSA Rules and Regulations.

As required by the federal government and the State, program compliance, performance, and risk factors will be assessed during the cycle and may impact present and future funding amounts or eligibility.

Please read carefully the instructions outlining what to expect in the next phase of the application process.

Next Steps:

1. If any grantee contact information has changed, update grantee profile in EBS. See the attached instructions for guidance.
2. Upload an unexpired Attachment E in EBS. **Note if the attachment E you submitted to receive FVPSA Core for FY 23-24 is up to date, you do not have to submit a new Attachment E.**
3. The contract will be delivered electronically via DocuSign. When you receive the email notification from DocuSign, please complete and submit the grant contract documents. Once all signatures are received, the contract will be fully executed. It is important to sign your contract as soon as possible. Delaying the completion of the contract signatures will impact your ability to submit reimbursements.



4. Once all contracts are signed, CFWYI will send an update regarding when you will be able to submit reimbursement reports.

CFWYI's FVPSA staff are very excited to partner with and support your agency's efforts in serving the people of North Carolina. We sincerely thank you for your service to the citizens of our state. Please contact the FVPSA staff if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Barbara B. Smith

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CC Attachment