



# City of Hampton

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## Agenda Item Summary

# SAMPLE No Match Required

### **TITLE:**

Resolution to Amend the Fiscal Year 2019 Council Approved Budget and Accept and Appropriate the 2019 Virginia Domestic Violence Victim Fund Grant ("DVVF Grant") Awarded by the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services to the City of Hampton, Virginia

### **PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:**

The Virginia Domestic Violence Victim Fund ("DVVF Grant") provides special state grant funds for the continued prosecution of sexual assault crimes and sexual crimes of violence in the City of Hampton ("City"). Prosecutable crimes also include violations of protective orders. The DVVF prosecutor works closely with the Hampton Police Division as well as other law enforcement agencies and medical personnel. Furthermore, the prosecutor serves as a member of the Hampton Sexual Assault Response Team ("SART"). SART is comprised of members of the Hampton Commonwealth's Attorney's Office; Victim Witness Services; Hampton Police Division; Riverside Regional and Hampton Sentara Hospital's Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners ("SANE" nurses) and Hampton University and Thomas Nelson Community College law enforcement agencies.

Cases are tried before Hampton's Circuit Court and Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court.

### **Discussion:**

See Purpose/Background.

### **Impact:**

This grant award will help support the prosecution of approximately 75 cases. The grant award is \$45,000 with no local match required.

### **Recommendation:**

Approve said appropriation.

**WHEREAS**, the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice has awarded the City of Hampton, Virginia ("City") a 2019 Virginia Domestic Violence Victim Fund Grant ("DVVF Grant") in the amount of the \$45,000 in special state funding;

**WHEREAS**, the DVVF Grant award requires no local match;

**WHEREAS**, the DVVF Grant which totals \$45,000 will be used by the Commonwealth's Attorney's Office to fund a position (with benefits) dedicated to the prosecution of sexual assault crimes and sexual crimes of violence within the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the grant award is for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Hampton, Virginia hereby amends its Fiscal Year 2019 Council Approved Budget to accept and appropriate the DVVF Grant in the amount of \$45,000, and any supplemental funding, to the Grant Fund for the purpose of funding the salary of a position in the Commonwealth's Attorney's Office for the prosecution of sexual assault crimes and sexual crimes of violence within the City.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Hampton, Virginia authorizes the City Manager, or her designee, to take any and all actions necessary to implement this grant award.

Please take note of the following suggestions:

- ✓ Spell out all acronyms prior to the use of said acronym.
- ✓ The acceptance and appropriation of grant funds **amends** the Council Approved budget for that respective fiscal year. Therefore, the language in the title, body and resolution must clearly communicate this action.
- ✓ Detail specifically the amount of the required cash match and the funding source.