



Agenda Item Summary

File #: 24-00867

Agenda Date: 10/22/2024

Agenda Item Name:

Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Funding Contract for Fiscal Year 24-25

Presenter:

Claudia Tuck, 352-231-0058

Description:

Agreement with the Florida State Office of Attorney General for the award of funding through the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) totaling \$401,370.00 for the period of upon full execution through September 30, 2025. Article 25 (page 10 of 17) of the contract includes a provision regarding Patents, Copyrights, and Royalties of which any intellectual property created under the agreement become the property of the State of Florida in conflict with the Alachua County Policy on Intellectual Property. As funding provided under this agreement is on a reimbursement basis, we are requesting an inter-fund loan in the amount of \$200,000.00.

Recommended Action:

Waive the County Policy on Intellectual Property, approve the agreement and authorize the Chair to execute it. Approve the attached budget amendment and inter-fund loan of \$200,000.

Prior Board Motions:

n/a

Fiscal Note:

VOCA Grant Fund 018 \$200,000 interfund loan.

Fund 018 - \$401,370.00

018.29.2971.331.6900 revenue account

018.29.2971.569.xx.xx various personal services expense accounts

Detailed budget amendment attached.

Strategic Guide:

Social and Economic Opportunity

Background:

The Alachua County Victim Services and Rape Crisis Center is funded in part through the General Fund and grant awards from both the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) administered by the Florida Office of Attorney General and from the Florida Coalition Against Sexual Violence (FCASV). Services are provided in Alachua, Bradford, and Union counties including a 24/7/365 hotline, assistance with relocation, court advocacy and accompaniment, counseling, and assistance with accessing victim

compensation programs. The Center has a total of 15 FTE, of which five are supported by the General Fund, nine through grant funding from VOCA and the Florida Coalition Against Sexual Violence and one through funding from the City of Gainesville.