



Agenda Item Summary

File #: 25-00859

Agenda Date: 10/14/2025

Agenda Item Name:

Victim of Crime (VOCA) Funding Contract for Fiscal Year 25-26

Presenter:

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Description:

Agreement with the Florida State Office of Attorney General for the award of funding through the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) totaling \$384,311.00 for the period of upon full execution through September 30, 2026. This is reduced from last year's award of \$401,370.00. As funding provided under this agreement is on a reimbursement basis, we are requesting an inter-fund loan with the amount of \$200,000.00.

Recommended Action:

Waive County policy on Intellectual Property. Approve contract and authorize the chair to sign contract. Approve the attached budget amendment, inter-fund loan of \$200,000 and the Unanticipated Revenue Resolution.

Prior Board Motions:

Approval of FY 24/25 VOCA Contract: Item 24-00867-10/22/2024

Fiscal Note:

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

VOCA – Revenues \$384,311.00. 018.29.2971.331.6900, Federal Grants Project #VOCA FY26

VOCA – Expenses \$384,311.00. 018.29.2971 Various Accounts, Project #VOCA FY26

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. Article 24 (page 9 of 18) 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.