Legislation Text

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An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri accepting the grant award in the amount of \$500,000 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women, for a collaboration between the City of Lee's Summit and Hope House, Inc. on community-defined solutions to violence against women.

(Note: First read by Council on October 11, 2022. Passed by unanimous vote.)

Issue/Request:

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Key Issues:

The grant award must be accepted and executed by November 2, 2022.

Proposed City Council Motion:

I move for adoption of an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri accepting the grant award in the amount of \$500,000 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women, for a collaboration between the City of Lee's Summit and Hope House, Inc. on community-defined solutions to violence against women.

Background:

The City of Lee's Summit, in collaboration with its non-profit, non-governmental victim services provider Hope House, Inc. will use this award to sustain the City's centralized domestic violence unit. Specifically the project will:

1. support two detectives, one city prosecutor, and one court advocate to investigate and prosecute domestic violence cases and provide victims with court accompaniment services;

- provide training to the police officers, recruits, prosecutors, and judges on domestic violence; and
 sustain the coordinated community response to domestic violence, facilitated by the Coordinated
- Community Council.

The grant is awarded through the United States Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women, Improving Criminal Justice Response to Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault and Stalking Grant Program.

Impact/Analysis:

This is an award in the amount of \$500,000. The grant award number is 15JOVW-22-GG-01821-ICJR

<u>Timeline:</u> Start: October 1, 2022 Finish: September 30, 2025

Nicole Walters, Police Major

Staff recommends approval