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Recommendation for Council Action

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| Austin City Council | Item ID | 49693 | Agenda Number | 48. |
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| Meeting Date: | 9/17/2015 | Department: | Austin Police Department |
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Subject

Approve a resolution authorizing the application for and acceptance of \$47,916 in grant funding from the State of Texas, Governor's Office, Criminal Justice Division to implement the Austin Police Department project entitled Austin Police Department Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Project. Related to Item # 47.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$47,916 is available from the State of Texas, Criminal Justice Division, State Criminal Justice Planning (421) Fund for the project period of September 1, 2015 – August 31, 2016. No match is required.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is not required.

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| Purchasing Language: | |
| Prior Council Action: | |
| For More Information: | Brian Manley, Chief of Staff, Austin Police Department x45030 |
| Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action: | |
| MBE / WBE: | |
| Related Items: | 49692 |

Additional Backup Information

This action will provide the required resolution needed by the Criminal Justice Division to complete the award process related to \$47,916 in grant funding. The project period is September 1, 2015 – August 31, 2016. State 421 Funds will allow the City to:

- Purchase project supplies (\$3,120)
- Send officer and civilian juvenile justice staff to in- and out-of-state training (\$12,396)
- Lease two 15-passenger vans to transport youth to and from project activities (\$22,800)
- Lease a truck to transport the project equipment/supply trailer to and from planned activities (\$9,600)

The goal of this program is to provide police officer-led diversion and job training programs for approximately 9,000 Austin youth involved in, or considered at-risk for, involvement with the juvenile and criminal justice systems and/or gang affiliation or membership. Citywide youth are referred to the program by law enforcement, local government agencies, school personnel, and community members. The Travis County Juvenile Justice system allows youth to participate in programming to complete required community service hours. Participants come from diverse backgrounds and cultures. Victimized youth, children of incarcerated parents, and documented juvenile gang members and affiliates are specifically targeted for services. The project is operational 4 days per week, 52 weeks a year, and includes a 3-week camp (120) hours. Youth participants create art and trade-specific projects and complete

physical fitness activities while learning life skills and receiving education and guidance from program staff. All planned activities focus on reducing or eliminating negative performance indicators and justice system involvement through the implementation of OJJDP model programs for diversion and delinquency prevention (Big Brothers Big Sisters (BBBS) Community-Based Mentoring (CBM) Program and Gang Resistance Education and Awareness Training).

The grantor requires a resolution approved by council that addresses items one through four below.

1. Authorization by your governing body for the submission of the application to CJD that clearly identifies the name of the project for which funding is requested;
2. A commitment to provide all applicable matching funds;
3. A designation of the name and/or title of an authorized official who is given the authority to apply for, accept, reject, alter, or terminate a grant (Note: If a name is provided, you must update CJD should the official change during the grant period.); and
4. A written assurance that, in the event of loss or misuse of grant funds, the governing body will return all funds to CJD.