



Recommendation for Action

File #: 19-1571, **Agenda Item #:** 15.

4/25/2019

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Austin Police Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20180911-001) to add one grant funded position for the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance through the Sexual Assault Kit Initiative Program.

Lead Department

Austin Police Department

Fiscal Note

Funding for this grant position is available in the FY 2018-2019 Austin Police Department Special Revenue Fund Operating Budget from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs; Bureau of Justice Assistance through the Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI) Program Grants. A fiscal note is attached.

Prior Council Action:

September 11, 2018 - Approval of the FY 2018-2019 City of Austin budget, which included grant funding from U.S. Department of Justice for the APD Sexual Assault Kit Initiative Program.

For More Information:

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

N/A

Additional Backup Information:

This action will authorize the addition of one grant funded position to serve as the site coordinator for the City of Austin Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI) grant program. The site coordinator position is a grant requirement and was originally included in the two active grants as a temporary employee. The department has been unable to hire a qualified candidate to oversee the program as a temporary employee.

Converting this temporary grant position to a full-time grant position enhances the opportunity for the City to hire and retain a coordinator for the duration of the project, which is currently funded through September 30, 2021. The site coordinator, in cooperation with other key personnel and stakeholders, is responsible for:

- Acting as the single point of contact (SPOC) for the Austin site
- Drafting performance metrics and quarterly reporting
- Consulting with SAKI collaborations: SARRT and ISAT
- Coordinating SAKI activities
- Preparing executive-level briefings to include SAKI successes, challenges, assessment findings and recommendations
- Assisting with structuring and institutionalizing systems, policies, and protocols developed by the Austin workgroup to address the backlog of SAKs and prevent reoccurrence

- Engaging with stakeholders and the community
- Coordinating all DANY/SAKI social media