



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

Commission Chamber

Tuesday, November 28, 2023

1:05 PM

PUBLIC SAFETY

- 1.** Approve and accept a grant award for the continuation of the Victim Of Crime Act (VOCA) Grant with funding of \$74,902.00 from the Criminal Justice Coordination Council of Georgia (CJCC) to provide services to crime victims for the period of October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024 and authorize the Mayor to execute the necessary documents.
- 2.** Accept an award from Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) in the amount of \$58,500.00 to enhance the Richmond County Sheriff's Office Bomb Canine Unit.
- 3.** Motion to approve the minutes of the Public Safety Committee held on November 14, 2023.



Public Safety Committee Meeting

Meeting Date: 11/28/23

Augusta Judicial Circuit District Attorney Office-Victim Assistance Program

Department:	Augusta Judicial Circuit District Attorney Office-Victim Assistance Program
Presenter:	Jared Williams or Staff
Caption:	Approve and accept a grant award for the continuation of the Victim Of Crime Act (VOCA) Grant with funding of \$74,902.00 from the Criminal Justice Coordination Council of Georgia (CJCC) to provide services to crime victims for the period of October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024 and authorize the Mayor to execute the necessary documents.
Background:	It is for the Victim Assistance Program in the District Attorney's Office. The DA's office has received funding from CJCC for over 20 years, and this is a continuation grant from last year. The purpose is to allow for the provision of services to crime victims as outlined in the Crime Victims' Bill of Rights. The funding is used for the salaries of two Advocates.
Analysis:	
Financial Impact:	Funded via CJCC VOCA Grant
Alternatives:	N/A
Recommendation:	Please approve the Victim of Crime Act (VOCA)
Funds are available in the following accounts:	Budgeted in org key 220022627
<u>REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:</u>	N/A

Adorea Hawthorne

From: Sarai Leonides-Medina <sleonides@pacga.org>
Sent: Tuesday, November 7, 2023 3:31 PM
To: PACGA VOCA Shared Mailbox
Subject: [EXTERNAL] FFY24 VOCA Award Letter- Intent to Fund
Attachments: PAC_VOCA_Pre-Award Notification.pdf

Good Afternoon All,

Attached is a letter from CJCC that outlines their intent to fund PAC's VOCA Grant awards for FFY24 (October 1, 2023-September 30, 2024). Your individual office's award is included in the total amount. We are providing this letter because some offices have indicated that they need to provide documentation to their county commissioners regarding the VOCA award.

Please note, VOCA budgets have NOT been approved yet. Additionally, it's important to be aware that the FFY24 VOCA Grant funds are for Personnel only.

PAC will send individual award letters, grant terms and conditions, and activation packages which will include the new grant number, to your offices as soon as we receive our award letter from CJCC. Please note that at this time we do not have an ETA on this, and it could take several weeks.

Please let me know if you have any questions, thanks!

SARAI LEONIDES MEDINA

Prosecuting Attorneys' Council of Georgia
Victim Services/Grants Manager
1590 Adamson Parkway, 4th Floor
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BRIAN P. KEMP
GOVERNOR



JAY NEAL
DIRECTOR

October 4, 2023

CFDA: 16.575

Mr. Pete Skandalakis
Executive Director
Prosecuting Attorneys' Council of Georgia
1590 Adamson Parkway
4th Floor
Morrow, GA 30260

Application ID: 1120910597

Dear Mr. Skandalakis,

I am pleased to inform you that the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) has approved to partially fund your 2023 Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Competitive Grant Application in the amount of \$6,604,500. If you would like to appeal this funding decision, please submit a letter of appeal, along with any associated support documentation, by close of business **Friday, October 20, 2023** to the email address stated below:

Email Address: victimassistance@cjcc.ga.gov
Subject Line: VOCA Competitive RFA – Appeal Letter

Please note that your agency's award package is forthcoming. Once received, your agency must complete and return the award package to CJCC within 45 calendar days before your subgrant award is activated. Please refer to the checklist within the award packet while completing the required documents. A revised detailed budget must also be included with your award documents; consistent with the award amount stated above. CJCC recognizes that agencies are the experts on the needs of their programming, and as such, CJCC will allow subrecipients to revise their FY2023 VOCA budget. With the exceptions of denying unallowable costs and costs outside the identified priorities, subrecipients are encouraged to reallocate their budget to best meet the program and agency's needs.

If you have questions or concerns regarding the grant process, please contact your Grants Specialist, Shannon Montgomery, at shannon.montgomery@cjcc.ga.gov. We look forward to working with you during the upcoming grant period.

Sincerely,

Jay Neal
Executive Director

Adorea Hawthorne

From: Sarai Leonides-Medina <sleonides@pacga.org>
Sent: Friday, September 15, 2023 4:30 PM
To: Adorea Hawthorne; Donna Williams; Jared Williams; Nancy He
Subject: [EXTERNAL] FFY24 VOCA AWARD INFORMATION
Attachments: FAQ for VOCA Funded Offices for FFY24.pdf; Budget_Detail_Worksheet.xlsx; Guidelines for Preparing your Budgets (FFY24) .pdf

Good Afternoon Augusta Judicial Circuit:

We have been working diligently with CJCC to determine what the upcoming grant year, which begins October 1, 2023, will look like. **Please read this email carefully in its entirety for important information regarding the VOCA grant.**

Below is your estimated VOCA award for FY24 based on verbal confirmation we have received from CJCC.

Augusta Judicial Circuit	
FY24 CONFIRMED ESTIMATED Award:	\$74,902

FAQ:

Please see the attached FAQ for answers to questions about special positions and more. PAC will periodically update and share this document as we receive additional questions from the VOCA funded offices.

Timeline:

It is important to note that the above amount is an estimate based on the verbal confirmation provided by CJCC in advance of formal award approval. Neither CJCC's Victim Services Grants Committee nor the CJCC Full Council have voted to approve the awards yet. The Committee is scheduled to vote on September 22, 2023, and the Full Council is scheduled to vote on September 27, 2023. As soon as the CJCC Full Council has voted on the award recommendations, we will communicate any changes to your offices. Award letters, MOAs, and grant activation documents will follow as soon as we receive an award letter from CJCC, which could take several weeks.

Budget:

Please begin preparing **ONE** budget based on the award amount provided above. These budgets are due by COB **October 13, 2023**. Note that only one budget should be submitted per DA or SG's office. Funds should not be split between counties or for specified positions. Please use the attached Budget Worksheet and Guidelines for Preparing your Budget document as you prepare your budget.

As always, please let me know if you have any questions.

SARAI LEONIDES MEDINA

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New Grant Proposal/Application

Before a Department/agency may apply for the grant/award on behalf of Augusta Richmond County, they must first obtain approval signature from the Administrator and the Finance Director. The Administrator will obtain information on the grant program and requirements from the funding agency and review these for feasibility to determine if this grant/award will benefit Augusta Richmond County. The Finance Director will review the funding requirement to determine if the grant will fit within our budget structure and financial goals.

Proposal Project No. Project Title

PR000465 DA OFFICE FY 23-24 Augusta VWAP VOCA

Requesting the VOCA Grant to continue the current level and provision of services to crime victims in the Augusta Judicial Circuit as outlined in the Crime Victims' Bill of Rights. This grant is a continuation grant for the salaries of two separate victim advocates to carry out the services above. / Local Match Waiver Amount: 18,725.50 / EEO Required: Yes / EEO Notified: Yes
(Budgeted in 2024)

Start Date: 10/01/2023

Submit Date: 10/24/2023

Total Budgeted Amount: 93,627.00

End Date: 09/30/2024

Department: 028

Total Funding Agency:

District Attorney

74,902.00

Cash Match?

Y

Total Cash Match: 18,725.00

Sponsor: GM0012

Sponsor Type: PT

Purpose: 3

Criminal Justice Coord Co

Pass thru Federal

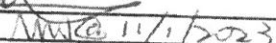
Victims Rights

Flow Thru ID: GM0017 Prosecuting Attorney's Council

Type	ID	Name	Contacts	Phone
I	GMI041	Hawthorne, Adorea		(706)821-1214

Type	By	Date	Approvals
FA	J. WILLIAMS	10/24/2023	

Dept. Signature: 

Grant Coordinator Signature:  11/1/2023

1.) I have reviewed the Grant application and enclosed materials and:

☒ Find the grant/award to be feasible to the needs of Augusta Richmond County

☐ Deny the request

Donna Williams
Finance Director

11-1-2023
Date

2.) I have reviewed the Grant application and enclosed materials and:

☒ Approve the Department Agency to move forward with the application

☐ Deny the request

A. House
Administrator

11/6/23
Date

This form will also be used to provide the external auditors with information on all grants for compliance and certification requirements as required by the State and Federal Government.

User: AH92240 - Adorea Hawthorne

Report: GM1000_PROPOSAL - GM1000: Grants Management: 1

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Current Date: 10/30/2023

Current Time: 16:50:37



Meeting Name

Meeting Date: 11/28/23

Accept an award from Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) in the amount of \$58,500.00 to enhance the Richmond County Sheriff's Office Bomb Canine Unit

Department:	Richmond County Sheriff's Office
Presenter:	N/A
Caption:	Accept an award from Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) in the amount of \$58,500.00 to enhance the Richmond County Sheriff's Office Bomb Canine Unit
Background:	The Department of Homeland Security through the Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) has awarded \$58,500.00 to the Richmond County Sheriff's Office Bomb K-9 Unit to assist in sustaining the unit. The RCSO K-9 Unit will use the monies to purchase supplies, food, and Vehicle for the Bomb K-9 dogs.
Analysis:	None
Financial Impact:	This is a 100% reimbursable grant. Upon completion of purchases, RCSO will submit reimbursement request to GEMA.
Alternatives:	None
Recommendation:	Accept the award of \$58,500.00 from the Department of Homeland Security to assist in sustaining the RCSO Bomb K-9 program.
Funds are available in the following accounts:	100% Reimbursable from grant
<u>REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:</u>	N/A

AUGUSTA, GEORGIA
New Grant Proposal/Application

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Proposal Project No. Project Title

PR000467 SHERIFF FY 23 K9 GEMA GRANT

Requesting grant offered by Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security to acquire and sustain the Sheriff's Office Explosive Ordinance Disposal Canine Program. Cash match required: No / EEO required: No / EEO dept. notified: No

Start Date: 10/01/2023

End Date: 09/30/2025

Submit Date: 10/31/2023

Department: 032

Sheriff

Cash Match?

N

Total Budgeted Amount: 58,500.00

Total Funding Agency:

58,500.00

Total Cash Match:

0.00

Sponsor: GM0008

US Homeland Security

Sponsor Type: F

Federal

Purpose: 6

K-9 Operations

Flow Thru ID:

Type	ID	Name	Contacts	Phone
I	GMI003	Freeman, Veronica		(706)821-1067

Approvals

Type	By	Date
FA	R. ROUNDTREE	10/31/2023

Dept. Signature:

Grant Coordinator Signature: MJ@11/1/2023

1.) I have reviewed the Grant application and enclosed materials and:

☒ Find the grant/award to be feasible to the needs of Augusta Richmond County

☐ Deny the request

Anna Williams
Finance Director

11-1-2023
Date

2.) I have reviewed the Grant application and enclosed materials and:

☒ Approve the Department Agency to move forward with the application

☐ Deny the request

J. Davis
Administrator

11/6/23
Date

This form will also be used to provide the external auditors with information on all grants for compliance and certification requirements as required by the State and Federal Government.

Project #45: Application - Richmond County Sheriff's Office EOD K-9

Routing in Progress: Applicant Award Notification (Step 5 of 7)

Application Summary

This form outlines all project details, including Scope of Work, all costs, and location worksheets.

Title: Richmond County Sheriff's Office EOD K-9

Total Project Cost: \$58,500.00

Eligible Amount: \$58,500.00

Cost Summary: Equipment \$58,500.00
Note: these values will only update after the form is saved.

Funding Sources: Federal - \$58,500.00
State - \$0.00
Local - \$0.00

FEMA Obligation Data: Federal Number - < no value >

Grant

2023 State Homeland Security Program

State Homeland Security Program

Start Date: October 1, 2023

End Date: September 30, 2025

CFDA Number: 97.067

Applicant

Richmond County Sheriff

Name (Legal): Richmond County Sheriff's Office

Richmond County

UEI:

FIPS: 24599245

FEIN #: 58-6000881

Vendor # (Applicant): 0000002434

DUNS #: 073438418 Type: SHERIFF DEPARTMENT

Physical: 400 Walton Way
Augusta, GA, 309012438

Mailing: 400 Walton Way
Augusta, 30901-2438

Augusta, GA, 309012438

Project

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Richmond County Sheriff's Office EOD K-9

EOD K9 Explosive Ordnance Disposal w/K9 Partner

Workflow Summary

Current Step: 5) Applicant Award Notification
Description: Applicant has received notification of the Award and is now executing the Agreement

Last Advanced: Sep 24, 2023 at 10:54 PM by Linda Criblez

Last Note Added: Sep 24, 2023 at 10:54 PM by Linda Criblez

Submission: Mar 9, 2023 at 9:31 AM by Donald McVean

Project POP Deadline:

Item 2.

September 30, 2025

Eligible: \$58,500.00

Un-Expended Eligible:

\$58,500.00

Introduction

Item 2.

Summary Information

Grant: 2023 State Homeland Security Program

Project Discipline Type: Explosive Ordnance Disposal w/K9 Partner

Title: Richmond County Sheriff's Office EOD K-9

Used to help identify the Project. Ex: "Jurisdiction - Project Name".

Total Project Investment Amount: 54,000.00

Project Capabilities Type: Sustaining Existing Capabilities

Project Jurisdiction Description: 2023 EOD K-9 Sustainment

Does the project require an MOU to a State Agency? Yes

Primary Contact: Donald McVean - Corporal

[Edit](#)

Email Address: Dmcvean@augustaga.gov

Phone: 706-825-3393

Alternate Contact: Gabriel Garner - Deputy

[Edit](#)

Email Address: ggarner@augustaga.gov

Phone: 706-821-1256

Authorized Contact: Donald McVean - Corporal

[Edit](#)

Email Address: Dmcvean@augustaga.gov

Phone: 706-825-3393

Financial Contact:

Veronica Freeman - Finance Director

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[Edit](#)

Email Address: vfreeman@augustaga.gov

Phone: 706-821-1067

This application contains
Work Activity and Costs in the
following areas:

Equipment

Hold Ctrl key to select multiple areas.

Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act Certification (FFATA)

You shall report the names and total compensation of each of the five most highly compensated executives for the preceding completed fiscal year, if:

- a. in the sub-grantee's preceding fiscal year, the sub-grantee received
 - i. 80 percent or more of its annual gross revenues from Federal procurement contracts (and subcontracts) and Federal financial assistance subject to the Transparency Act, as defined at 2 CFR 170.320 (and subawards); and
 - ii. \$25,000,000 or more in annual gross revenues from Federal procurement contracts (and subcontracts), and Federal financial assistance subject to the Transparency Act (and subawards); and
- b. The public does not have access to information about the compensation of the executives through periodic reports filed under section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m(a), 78o(d)) or section 6104 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. (To determine if the public has access to the compensation information, see the U.S. Security and Exchange Commission total compensation filings at <http://www.sec.gov/answers/execomp.htm>.)

Are all of the above
statements true?

No

Project Details

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Summarize the proposed project, including its purpose and how it aligns with the State's funding priorities for this Grant:

To provide Explosive Detection K9's throughout our region and surrounding counties unable to locally have these services. To assist GEMA/Homeland Security with high profile events that require these services.

Priorities

DHS/FEMA continually assesses changes to the threat landscape to further the National

Preparedness Goal (the Goal) of a secure and resilient nation. This analysis provides a

perspective on critical preparedness trends for whole community partners to use to inform

program priorities, allocate resources, and communicate with stakeholders about issues of

shared concern. DHS/FEMA have identified the following as national priority areas:

- Emerging Threats, including Cybersecurity
- Lifelines (more information found in this fact sheet and toolkit)
- Safety and Security
- Food, Water, Sheltering
- Health and Medical
- Energy
- Communications
- Transportation
- Hazardous Material

Will the funds being applied for supplant other funding for this project?

No

Item 2.

Example: SPLOST or other local funds already planned for use to do this project

Primary Core Capability to be addressed by this Project:

Common - Long-Term Vulnerability Reduction

Estimate the amount of funding you are requesting that will be used to strengthen the selected Primary Core Capability:

\$ 6,000.00

Secondary Core Capability to be addressed by this Project:

Common - Long-Term Vulnerability Reduction

Estimate the amount of funding you are requesting that will be used to strengthen the selected Secondary Core Capability:

\$ 48,000.00

How much of the funding in the proposed project can be associated with Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Activities (LETPA)?

\$

This could include activities and equipment with a nexus to terrorism that are focused on information sharing and analysis; target hardening; threat recognition; terrorism interdiction; fusion center operation; or training/exercises associated with these activities.

Briefly explain how this project will support LETPA:

Risk Assessment

Item 2.

Agency Tax Status?

Appropriated Division of the Town

Agency Fiscal Year:

January through December

For example: July-June or Jan-Dec

Legal name of the entity to which the FTIN was assigned:

Augusta - Richmond County

Does the Physical Address on file match your address as listed on SAM.gov?

No

Address Line 1:

535 Telfair St

Address Line 2:

N/A

City:

Augusta

State:

GA - Georgia

Zip Code:

30901

Is the Mailing Address on file correct?

Yes

400 Walton Way Augusta, 30901-2438 Augusta Georgia 309012438

Has your organization been audited in the past 12 months?

Yes, by an outside audit firm

Is your organization required to have a single audit conducted in accordance with the Single Audit Act (sub recipient expends \$750,000 or more in federal assistance during its fiscal year)?

Yes

Has the A-133 single audit been submitted to primary pass through Party?

Yes

Who was the audit sent to?

Mauldin and Jenkins

What date was the audit sent?

Jun 29, 2022

Did the organization have significant audit findings from your last single audit regarding program non-compliance?

No

If the single audit has not yet been conducted, when will this be completed?

Jul 1, 2023

What type of accounting system do you use?

Automated

Does your organization have written policies and procedures for checks and balances of all fiscal transactions?

Yes

Does your organization maintain for inspection all the books, documents, payroll papers, accounting records and grant files pertaining to sub grant agreements and contracts for a period of three years after the close of the sub-grant?

Yes

Is the Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) on file for your organization correct?

Yes

UEI:

Costs

Item 2.

Cost Line Items

- Cost line items should be listed in the order of descending priority, with the most important item first, then second most important item next, and so on.
- Costs must be rounded to the nearest whole dollar amount.
- For Equipment items costing \$5,000 or more each it is required to provide a Tangible Property Report. If applicable, please attach to this application prior to submission.

Classification	Description	Qty	Price	T	Item 2.
Area					
Equipment					
Type					
Explosive Ordinance Disposal (EOD) K9	16AC-04-VETL - Equipment and Supplies, Large Animal Veterinary Care	1	\$ 6,000.00	\$6,000.00	
AEL Code (List)					
16AC-04-VETL- Equipment and Supplies					
Area					
Equipment					
Type					
Explosive Ordinance Disposal (EOD) K9	07ED-01-DOGS - Canines, Explosive Detecting, Vehicle Replacement	1	\$ 48,000.00	\$48,000.00	
AEL Code (List)					
07ED-01-DOGS- Canines					
Area					
Equipment					
Type					
Explosive Ordinance Disposal (EOD) K9	01LE-01-ARMR - Armor, Body	3	\$ 1,500.00	\$4,500.00	
AEL Code (List)					
01LE-01-ARMR- Armor					
Application Total				\$58,500.00	
Grand Total				\$58,500.00	

Funding Sources

Method: ☒ By Percent ☐ By Amount

Funding Source /
Other Agency

Estimated Federal Share:

100

%

\$58,500.00

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Total Allocated:

100

%

\$58,500.00

Equipment Work Plan

Item 2.

Provide up to four major milestones and their associated completion dates that will be required to complete the project.

Add an Objective

EHP Review

Projects that are not classroom training and are not simply (portable) equipment purchases will require an Environmental and Historic Preservation (EHP) Review to be done before work begins. If you wish to review the EHP screening form or program requirements, they can be found at the FEMA EHP site by clicking [here](#).

EHP Review Required:

No

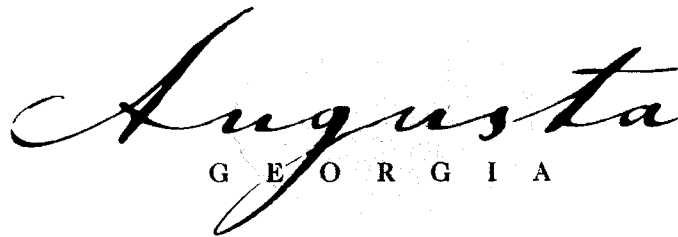


Public Safety Committee

November 28, 2023

Minutes

Department:	N/A
Presenter:	N/A
Caption:	Motion to approve the minutes of the Public Safety Committee held on November 14, 2023.
Background:	N/A
Analysis:	N/A
Financial Impact:	N/A
Alternatives:	N/A
Recommendation:	N/A
Funds are available in the following accounts:	N/A
<u>REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:</u>	N/A



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Commission Chamber

Tuesday, November 14, 2023

1:05 PM

PUBLIC SAFETY

PRESENT

Mayor Garnett Johnson

Commissioner Catherine Smith-McKnight

Commissioner Alvin Mason

Commissioner Bobby Williams

Commissioner Brandon Garrett

1. Motion to approve the purchase of a Modular building from Modular Technologies Inc. 23-258

Motion to approve.

Motion made by Garrett, Seconded by Williams.

Voting Yea: Smith-McKnight, Mason, Williams, Garrett

Motion carries 4-0.

2. Motion to approve VitalCore Health Strategies LLC amendment to contract for the Richmond County Sheriff's Office Inmate Medical Contract.

Motion to approve.

Motion made by Garrett, Seconded by Williams.

Voting Yea: Smith-McKnight, Mason, Williams, Garrett

Motion carries 4-0.

3. Discuss Animal Control and ongoing refusals to serve citizens within the city limits of Hephzibah; 2) update on where the current SDS agreement items stand between Augusta and Hephzibah. **(Requested by Commissioner Brandon Garrett)**

It was the consensus of the committee to allow representatives from both Augusta and Hephzibah to set a date for a meeting to discuss the matter of animal control by Augusta within the city limits of Hephzibah and come to a solution.

4. Motion to approve the minutes of the Public Safety Committee held on October 31, 2023.

Motion to approve.

Motion made by Garrett, Seconded by Williams.

Voting Yea: Smith-McKnight, Mason, Williams, Garrett

Motion carries 4-0.

