IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: * Authorize application to the Oregon Department of Justice Crime Victims' Services Division for a grant in the amount of \$96,946 for the Police Bureau Crisis Response Team in order to reimburse the City for 46 percent of the volunteer coordinator personnel expenses over a 24-month period (Ordinance)

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

Legislation is required in order to authorize the Mayor to make application to the Oregon Department of Justice (ODOJ) for the 2015-2017 VOCA grant application. The grant will reimburse the City for 46 percent of the Police Bureau Crisis Response Team (CRT) volunteer coordinator's personnel expenses over a 24-month period.

There are no legal or controversial issues. There are no links to current City policies and no other governmental participation. The Crisis Response Team utilizes volunteers.

The Federal Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) provides grants to agencies who provide services to families and victims who have been the victim of a crime. In Portland, the Crisis Response Team provides on scene response to victims and their families who have been a victim of a violent crime. Many of these victims come from minority households with very limited resources. The VOCA grant allows the bureau to provide immediate resources and to arrange for other future resources from other agencies and non-profits by providing funding for the CRT Volunteer Coordinator. The renewal of this grant will allow CRT to continue to provide victim assistance without an interruption to the current service model.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

There are no financial or budgetary impacts with this legislation.

Community impacts and community involvement:

As this is the renewal of long existing and continuing grant there was no community involvement. This grant serves victims of violence and has traditionally served a larger proportion of African-Americans than any other segment of the population. The grant tends to serve those community members who come from a lower social economic status. The overall impact of this grant is additional services to victims of violence.

Budgetary Impact Worksheet

Does this action change appropriations?
YES : Please complete the information below.
NO: Skip this section

Fund	Fund Center	Commitment Item	Functional Area	Funded Program	Grant	Sponsored Program	Amount