



**Grant
CITY OF AUSTIN
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

**AGENDA ITEM NO.: 18
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SUBJECT: Approve an ordinance authorizing acceptance of \$155,545 in grant funding from the State of Texas, Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, Title V Program; and amending the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 Operating Budget of the Police Department, Special Revenue Fund of Ordinance No. 040913-01 to appropriate \$155,545 for the continued enforcement of juvenile Class C criminal offenses with case management for youth; and add three grant-funded full-time equivalent positions.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Grant funding is available from the State of Texas, Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, for the grant period of September 1, 2005 through August 31, 2006. A match of \$64,837 is required and will be met with existing salary cost and volunteer hours. The matching salary cost is included in the approved Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Operating Budget of the Police Department. Continued operation of this program is contingent upon available grant funding.

FISCAL NOTE: A fiscal note is attached.

**REQUESTING Police
DEPARTMENT:**

**DIRECTOR'S
AUTHORIZATION: Rick Coy**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Dahlstrom, Assistant Chief/974-5482

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: Approval to apply April 7, 2005.

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

PURCHASING: N/A

MBE / WBE: N/A

This action is authorizing the City to accept \$155,545 in grant funding from the State of Texas, Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, Title V program. The grant period runs from September 1, 2005 to August 31, 2006. A match of \$63,377 is required and will be met with existing salary costs and volunteer hours. The matching salary costs are included in the Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Operating Budget of the Police Department. The total project cost, not including volunteer hours, is \$196,243.

This funding will be used to continue the Juvenile Accountability and Community Service (JACS) office at the Police Department. JACS first began operating at the beginning of the 2004 school year, and is responsible for reducing the current backlog of warrants for youth with outstanding Class C citations. These violations include, but are not limited to: curfew, possession of tobacco and petty theft. This grant funds the salaries for three existing positions within the Austin Police Department: a full-time administrative assistant who serves as a "youth intake specialist" by assisting youth and their families who come to the JACS for processing; a part-time temporary administrative assistant who enters citation data into the JACS database; and a Neighborhood Liaison who contacts parents to make them aware of the law regarding the consequences of outstanding youth citations and warrants. The Liaison helps parents to schedule a court hearing and is often present in the court when the youth is magisterated. The youth intake specialist and Neighborhood Liaison positions will transition from temporary to grant-funded full-time equivalent positions and the part-time administrative assistant will remain a temporary position.

The JACS program also includes a Case Manager FTE who will office at the APD JACS but will work closely with Municipal Court judges handling juvenile Class C non-traffic citations. The Judges and the case manager will



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identify youth with repeat offenses and provide case management and social service referrals where needed. The case manager will follow up with social service organizations to ensure that youth are completing their court-ordered alternative adjudication programs. The case management will be coordinated with Municipal Court programs. Funds from this grant will be used to develop an internship program for students pursuing degrees in educational psychology or social work so they can receive experience in case management. The continuation of the JACS program is contingent upon available grant funds.

This grant addresses the Department goal to improve the quality of life so that Austin's residents live, work and play in clean, safe neighborhoods. It also addresses the following APD Activity Objective: The purpose of Centralized Investigations, Youth Services includes the Diversion of juvenile offenders from the criminal justice system through alternative programs.

ORDINANCE NO. 20050929-NNN

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS AND AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2004-2005 POLICE DEPARTMENT OPERATING BUDGET OF ORDINANCE NO. 040913-01 TO APPROPRIATE GRANT FUNDS AND ADD THREE FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

PART 1. The Council authorizes the acceptance of \$155,545 in grant funds from the State of Texas, Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, Title V Program.

PART 2. The Council amends the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 Police Department Special Revenue Fund Operating Budget of Ordinance No. 040913-01 to appropriate \$155,545 for the continued enforcement of juvenile Class C criminal offenses with case management for youth; and add three full-time equivalent positions.

PART 3. This ordinance takes effect on October 10, 2005.

PASSED AND APPROVED

September 29, 2005

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Will Wynn
Mayor

APPROVED: _____
David Allan Smith
City Attorney

ATTEST: _____
Shirley A. Brown
City Clerk

OPERATING BUDGET FISCAL NOTE

DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:
WHERE ON AGENDA:
DEPARTMENT:

9/29/2005
Ordinance
Police

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FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Project Costs:	Approved Budget 2004-05	Impact of this Action	Amended Budget 2004-05
Special Revenue Fund			
Title V-Youth Program (9/1/05 - 8/31/06)	\$0	\$155,545	\$155,545
TOTAL	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$155,545</u>	<u>\$155,545</u>
FTEs	0.00	3.00	3.00

Budget Office: _____

M. G. G.

Date: _____

9-13-05