

Legislation Text

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Vote on a request to approve grant application to Crime Victim Services of NC Governor's Crime Commission for VAWA funding.

Action Requested: Vote on a request to approve grant application to Crime Victim Services for funding from the NC Governor's Crime Commission to maintain supervised visitation services for families impacted by domestic violence, child abuse, and crime.

Introduction & Background: Family Visitation Services of Chatham County has provided supervised visitation and exchanges of children since 2003, funded primarily through federal grants awarded by the Office on Violence Against Women (Dept of Justice), as well as supplemental funding from CVS-GCC and Chatham Dept of Social Services. Families are typically involved in the court system, and ordered to participate in the program so that they can have safe access to their children, and victims are protected from further abuse or risk from offenders. Chatham has received GCC awards for these services in 2009, 2010, 2012, 2015, and 2017, and 2018.

Discussion & Analysis: Award is for a one year period, to begin 10/1/19and conclude 9/30/20. A 25% match is required and will be funded through an annual contract with the Dept of Social Services to provide services for children placed in foster care. The contract with DSS is approximately \$18,200/year.

An award of \$45,000 for one year will supplement personnel costs, travel expenses, and supplies/operating costs for the agency.

In summary:

	TOTAL
Personnel	\$ 52,000
Travel	\$ 400
Supplies/Operating	\$ 17,600
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS	\$ 60,000
MATCH (25%)	\$ 15,000 *
FEDERAL REQUEST	\$ 45,000

\* Match is provided through DSS contract funds.

Budgetary Impact: This grant will continue existing positions and supplement other funding sources. It is anticipated that ongoing grant applications will be necessary to sustain services.

Recommendation: Approve permission to apply for grant award.