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To: Criminal Justice Services Board Grants Subcommittee

From: Tracy Matthews, Manager, Division of Public Safety Training and Virginia Center for School and Campus Safety

Date: May 30, 2024

Re: Department of Forensic Science (Continuation)

The purpose of the continuation grant to the Department of Forensic Science (DFS) is to continue to fund a part-time forensic training position to provide targeted training to Law Enforcement personnel across Virginia focusing on reinforcing the importance of properly gathering and handling of crime scene evidence to be submitted to DFS for analysis. This important training helps to ensure accurate and thorough analysis of evidence. Twenty (20) to thirty (30) programs of varying lengths and complexities are offered each year with between 500 and 600 officers receiving the training.

In summary, DCJS staff **request approval to fund one (1) project for a two-year grant period, beginning July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026, totaling \$107,730**, in general funds. \$53,865 each year is to be allocated for this purpose.

DFS -- Grants Committee Recommendations (Cover Report)
Department of Forensic Science (Continuation)

30-May-24

Application #	Location	Jurisdiction	Requested DCJS Funds	Requested Local	Requested Total	Recommended DCJS Funds	Recommended Local	Recommended Total
TBD	Department of Forensic Science	State Government	\$ 107,730.00	\$ -	\$ 107,730.00	\$ 107,730.00	\$ -	\$ 107,730.00
Program Category SubTotal:			\$ 107,730.00	\$ -	\$ 107,730.00	\$ 107,730.00	\$ -	\$ 107,730.00
Grant Program Grand Total:			\$ 107,730.00	\$ -	\$ 107,730.00	\$ 107,730.00	\$ -	\$ 107,730.00

DFS -- Grants Committee Recommendations (Summary Report)

Department of Forensic Science (Continuation)

30-May-24

Grant Application Number	Applicant Location	Implementing Agency	Requested Funding	Recommended Funding	Internal Status	Applicant Brief Project Overview	Type of Application
TBD	Department of Forensic Science	State Government	\$ 107,730.00	\$ 107,730.00	Meets criteria	DFS request continuation funding for a part-time Forensic Trainer position and associated travel costs. This position supports the Forensic Training Section by teaching short courses throughout the year and assisting with instruction during the Forensic Science Academy sessions.	Continuation of Grant