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To: Criminal Justice Services Board Grants Committee

From: Laurel Marks, Manager, Juvenile Services Section

Jenna Foster, Children's Justice Act Coordinator, Juvenile Services Section

Date: May 18, 2023

Re: FY24 VOCA funding request for VDSS-Children's Advocacy Center programs

The purpose of the VOCA-Children's Advocacy Center funding is to provide pass-through funding to the Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS) to support Virginia Children's Advocacy Centers (CACs) and the children, youth, and families they serve. Funds will support the delivery of VOCA allowable services statewide provided by CACs that are certified by the National Children's Alliance, including VOCA allowable specialized treatment and direct services for victims of child abuse in Virginia.

For fiscal year 2024, all VOCA-funded grantees received notice of a 10% reduction to their continuation grant amount. The amount that VDSS was invited to apply for was \$3,987,534.

DCJS staff requests approval to award \$3,987,524.00 in federal VOCA funds to one state agency, VDSS, to continue to provide funding to 19 local Children's Advocacy Centers (CAC) in Virginia.

In summary, DCJS staff **request approval to fund one (1) project** (VDSS) for the 12-month period (07/01/2023 - 06/30/2024) **totaling \$3,987,524.00**, using federal VOCA funds allocated for this purpose.

VOCA DSS CAC -- Grants Committee Recommendations (Cover Report)**VOCA VA Department of Social Services Children's Advocacy Center***1-Jun-23*

Application #	Location	Jurisdiction	Requested DCJS Funds	Requested Local	Requested Total	Recommended DCJS Funds	Recommended Local	Recommended Total
508065	Virginia Department of Social Services	State Government	\$ 3,987,524.00	\$ -	\$ 3,987,524.00	\$ 3,987,524.00	\$ -	\$ 3,987,524.00
Program Category SubTotal:			\$ 3,987,524.00	\$ -	\$ 3,987,524.00	\$ 3,987,524.00	\$ -	\$ 3,987,524.00
Grant Program Grand Total:			\$ 3,987,524.00	\$ -	\$ 3,987,524.00	\$ 3,987,524.00	\$ -	\$ 3,987,524.00

Grant Application Summary

Grant Application Number	Grant Program	Application Type	
513502	Child Advocacy Centers Grant	Continuation of Grant	
Applicant Location	Town, City, County, etc.		
Department of Social Svcs	State Government		
Grant Application Category: >>>>>>			
Internal Status	Ranking Score (if New)	Requested	Recommended
Meets criteria	0	\$3,987,524	\$3,987,524

Grant Project Description

VDSS will administer VOCA funding (\$3,912,256.00) to provide services to victims of child abuse/neglect including: forensic interviews, victim support and advocacy services, medical evaluations, mental health counseling, individual and group therapy, and support services. Funding for each CAC is calculated by a formula establish by the Virginia General Assembly in 2015. Additional funding will be used to support an administrative position at VDSS for the CAC Program (\$75,268.00). VDSS will cover additional salary and fringe costs for this position. The total award for VDSS for the SFY24 CAC Grant Program is \$3,987,524.00. SFY24 is a continuation contractual year for CACs; modifications will be issued based on an approved state budget.

Project Performance to Date (if Continuation)

Additional Staff Recommendations/Comments

Subcommittee Recommendation/Comments

Concur/accept staff recommendation as presented <input type="checkbox"/>	Concur w/staff recommendation as modified below <input type="checkbox"/>	Disagree w/staff recommendation as stated below <input type="checkbox"/>
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