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City Council

Approval of a Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of the Mental Health Field Response Grant from the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs

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Title

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

City Manager Recommendation:

Move to approve a resolution authorizing acceptance of the Mental Health Field Response Grant from the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs (WASPC).

Report

Issue:

Whether to approve a resolution authorizing acceptance of the Mental Health Field Response Grant from the WASPC.

Staff Contact:

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Presenter(s):

None - Consent Calendar Item.

Background and Analysis:

The Familiar Faces Program coordinates and provides resources for some of Olympia's most vulnerable community members in an effort to address obstacles to stable living like housing, securing identification, medical appointments, and other barriers. Funding for the program is through grants and Olympia's public safety levy.

The Arrest and Jail Alternatives Grant through WASPC, accepted by Council earlier this year, will fund peer navigators, certified mental health services, and a program manager to continue the work

of the Familiar Faces Program. The Arrest and Jail Alternatives Grant is intended to serve clients based on arrest, court, and community referral criteria.

This proposed resolution authorizes renewal of the Mental Health Field Response Grant through WASPC in the amount of \$100,000. This funding is specifically intended to assist those community members whose link to criminal behavior is identified as substance abuse, mental health, or poverty. The Mental Health Field Response Grant will fund a portion of the contracted mental health services, peer navigators, and administrative services to support the work of the Familiar Faces Program.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

This program provides support to the most vulnerable members of our community, helps connect community members to existing services, and provides unconditional support and partnership to individuals who often feel left behind by loved ones, programs, and services.

Options:

1. Approve the resolution authorizing acceptance of the Mental Health Field Response Grant from WASPC.
2. Don't approve the Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of the Mental Health Field Response Grant from WASPC. Some current services would be impacted (terminated).

Financial Impact:

See attached budget.

Attachments:

Resolution
Grant Agreement