

May 25, 2022

**To:** Mayor and Members of City Council 202201249

**From:** John P. Curp, Interim City Manager

**Subject:** **Ordinance – Police: FY 2022 Violence Against Woman Act (VAWA) Grant Program**

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Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in an amount up to \$60,000, effective FY 2023 pending award timing, from the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Office of Criminal Justice Services, FY 2022 Violence Against Women Act Grant Program (ALN 16.588) to support two domestic violence advocates from Women Helping Women for the Domestic Violence Law Enforcement Advocate Program; and **AUTHORIZING** the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, Project Account No. 22VAWA, effective FY 2023 pending award timing.

This Ordinance would authorize the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in an amount up to \$60,000, effective FY 2023 pending award timing, from the Ohio Department of Public Safety (ODPS), Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS), FY 2022 Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Grant Program (ALN 16.588) to support two domestic violence advocates from Women Helping Women (WHW) for the Domestic Violence Law Enforcement Advocate Program (DVLEAP). This Ordinance would also authorize the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, Project Account No. 22VAWA, effective FY 2023 pending award timing.

The DVLEAP is a collaborative project between the Cincinnati Police Department (CPD) and WHW, which provides crisis intervention services for victims of domestic violence throughout the police investigation and court process.

The grant application deadline is June 2, 2022. No funds will be accepted without approval of the City Council.

The grant requires matching funds of \$20,000 provided by WHW for total project cost of \$80,000. Although WHW receives the funding, the CPD serves as the implementing agency. This grant would not create any additional FTEs.

This grant is in accordance with the “Live” goal to “[c]reate a more livable community” as described on page 156 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

cc: Andrew Dudas, Budget Director  
Karen Alder, Finance Director



Attachment