

June 14, 2023

To: Mayor and Members of City Council 202301606

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: **Ordinance – Police: FY 2023 Implementing Crisis Intervention Teams Grant Program**

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$400,000, effective FY 2024, from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, FY 2023 Implementing Crisis Intervention Teams Grant Program (ALN 16.710), to expand the Cincinnati Police Department Veterans Response Team; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds, effective FY 2024, into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, project account no. 23CIT.

This Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$400,000, effective FY 2024, from the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), FY 2023 Implementing Crisis Intervention Teams Grant Program (ALN 16.710), to expand the Cincinnati Police Department Veterans Response Team. This Ordinance also authorizes the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds, effective FY 2024, into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, project account no. 23CIT.

The Cincinnati Police Department (CPD) Military Liaison Group is a group of veteran officers who respond to fellow veterans in distress by offering support and resource assistance. These grant resources will provide aid to the Military Liaison Group to allow for dedication, enhancement, and growth of the Veterans Response Team to expand current strategies, implement new strategies, and host a regional event at the Police Academy, to better serve the veteran population.

The grant application deadline was May 8, 2023, and CPD has already applied for the grant, but no grant funds will be accepted without the approval of the City Council.

The grant does not require matching funds. There are no new FTEs associated with this grant; however, 1.0 additional temporary personnel will result from this grant.

Acceptance of this grant is in accordance with the “Live” goal to “[c]reate a more livable community” as described on pages 156-163 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

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



Attachment