

June 5, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager *SL*

202401531

Subject: Ordinance – Police: FY 2024 Community Based Violence Intervention and Prevention Initiative Site-Based Grant

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$2,000,000, effective FY 2025, in FY 2024 Community Based Violence Intervention and Prevention Initiative Site-Based Grant funds from the U.S. Department of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance (ALN 16.045), to support the Cincinnati Police Department’s comprehensive, evidence-based, community-based violence intervention and prevention programs; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368x8553, project account no. 24CVIPI.

This Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$2,000,000, effective FY 2025, in FY 2024 Community Based Violence Intervention and Prevention Initiative (CBVIPI) Site-Based Grant funds from the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) (ALN 16.045), to support the Cincinnati Police Department’s comprehensive, evidence-based, community-based violence intervention and prevention programs. This Ordinance also authorizes the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368x8553, project account no. 24CVIPI.

If awarded, the grant funds would support the Cincinnati Police Department (CPD)’s comprehensive, evidence-based, community-based violence intervention and prevention programs. These programs include efforts to address gang and gun violence and are based on partnerships among community residents, local government agencies, victim service providers, community-based organizations, law enforcement agencies, hospitals, researchers, and community stakeholders. Additional funding for CPD’s programming will also support the expansion of the Cincinnati Citizens Respect Our Witnesses (CCROW) witness support program in each of the CPD neighborhood districts and the Central Business Section.

The grant application deadline is June 10, 2024. CPD intends to apply for the grant by that date, but no grant funds will be accepted without City Council approval.

There are four new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant. The grant does not require matching funds.

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

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

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



Attachment