

February 12, 2025

To: Mayor and Members of City Council 202500226

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: **Ordinance – Police: FY 2025 Child Victims and Witnesses Support Materials Program Grant**

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for a grant from the Center for Justice Innovation, Child Victims and Witnesses Support Materials Program, to provide printed support materials for child victims and witnesses; and **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept printed support materials, valued at up to \$6,919, pursuant to a grant from the Center for Justice Innovation.

This Emergency Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for a grant from the Center for Justice Innovation, Child Victims and Witnesses Support Materials Program, to provide printed support materials for child victims and witnesses. This Ordinance also authorizes the City Manager to accept printed support materials, valued at up to \$6,919, pursuant to a grant from the Center for Justice Innovation.

The grant is available from the Center for Justice Innovation for printed support materials for child victims and witnesses. The grant will support the Cincinnati Police Department's Victims Assistance Liaison Unit (VALU) and the Cincinnati Citizens Respect Our Witnesses (CCROW) Unit to assist child victims and witnesses of crimes.

The grant application deadline was January 31, 2025, and to meet this deadline the Cincinnati Police Department has already submitted an application; however, the grant will not be accepted without approval by the City Council.

This grant does not require matching funds, and there are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with 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



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