

# Upcoming Council Agenda Items

# Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE: October 21, 2011

TO: Members of the Public Safety Committee

SUBJECT: Acceptance of the City of Dallas Crime Reduction Program Award  
(Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant Program)

The City of Dallas has been awarded \$60,204 for the 10-70-20 Crime Reduction Program from the Office of the Governor. This grant does not require a match from the City of Dallas.

This program will fund overtime, travel and training for the Office of Community Affairs Representatives. The Dallas Police Department has found that an increasing number of people no longer view the safety of their neighborhoods as the sole responsibility of the police. Through coordinated efforts and research they have found that crime reduction within any high- risk area requires a coordinated approach that includes building a relationship between the police and the community. The City of Dallas experienced a spike in crime that began in the mid 1980's and continued through 2003. By 2003 the City of Dallas was listed as 8<sup>th</sup>, among all large cities, for crimes committed. The City's response was the implementation of the 10-70-20 Crime Reduction Program. The Program was so-named on the bases that in any given community 10% of those residents are intolerant of crime and want to be involved in abatement; 70% are tolerant of crime and choose to remain uninvolved; and the remaining 20% make up the actual criminal element. The programs primary goal is to reduce crime by 20% through a formula of reducing violent crimes by 10% and reducing of property crimes by 5%.

The Dallas Police Department has been implementing the 10-70-20 Crime Reduction Program in selected high crime area since 2002. Crime Statistics gathered by the Dallas Police Department's Community Affairs Section illustrates that the information gathered through the 10-70-20 Crime Reduction Program is having a positive impact on the crime rate and the overall quality of life of citizens in high crime communities.

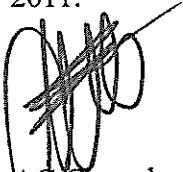
If accepted the Byrne Grant will be used for, but is not limited to the following:

- Overtime for eight (8) Community Affairs Representatives in the crime reduction program at the Dallas Police Department to support the growing number of nighttime meetings required to continue the implementation and maintain the growth of the 10-70-20 Crime Reduction Program. (\$52, 218)
- Training and Travel for the staff of 10-70-20 Crime Reduction Program which provides education and outreach to increase community involvement in crime reduction. (\$5,000)

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- Supplies including paper, pens, meeting materials, reproduction materials, to be used during the delivery of trainings and town hall meetings related to 10-70-20 Crime Reduction Program. (\$2,986)
- Total grant amount \$60,204

Seeking favorable recommendation, this grant acceptance of the City of Dallas Crime Reduction Program Award will be placed on the City Council Agenda for October 26, 2011.



AC Gonzalez

First Assistant City Manager

# Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

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TO: Members of the Public Safety Committee

SUBJECT: Training Grant for Sexual Assault & Stalking Criminal Investigations  
Grant Period September 1, 2011 – August 31, 2012

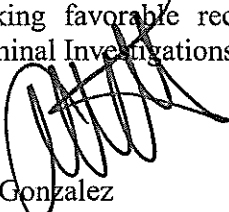
The Crimes Against Persons Division has been awarded \$26,500 from the Office of the Governor for Training for Sexual Assault and Stalking Investigations. This grant requires the City of Dallas to provide a cash match of \$14,525.

The Violence Against Women's Act (VAWA), provides federal funding for a variety of projects that positively impact the nation's female population in regards to violent criminal acts being committed against them. These grant funds are administered by the Governor's Criminal Justice Division. The North Texas Council of Governments receives the grant applications and makes recommendations to the Governor's office on who should receive funding. VAWA's goals are to reduce the number of violent acts being committed against females and to better serve them when they are victims. VAWA recognizes that a trained police force would provide a better service to female victims of crime. Therefore, one of their major priorities is to provide training funds to law enforcement personnel.

The Crimes Against Persons Division's Sexual Assault Squad has the responsibility to investigate Sexual Assault and Stalking offenses. The Squad investigates approximately 500 offenses per year. Police personnel assigned the responsibility to respond to these types of crimes, investigate these crimes, process these crime scenes for evidence, and to assist the victims regarding their post incident needs must be continually trained. Personnel will attend training on the latest techniques of sexual assault and stalking investigations, methods of assisting victims from the offense date through prosecution and the latest forensic technology/evidence identification and recovery techniques. Also, first responders, (patrol officers) need to be aware of the proper techniques on how to relate to the victims of sexual assault and stalking crimes and be aware of the best practices of protecting the crime scene. This acquired knowledge will prevent the victims from being re-victimized and enable the recovery of valuable forensic evidence.

It is anticipated that approximately 100 police personnel will receive training from these funds.

Seeking favorable recommendation, this Training Grant for Sexual Assault & Stalking Criminal Investigations will be placed on the City Council Agenda for October 26, 2011.

  
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First Assistant City Manager

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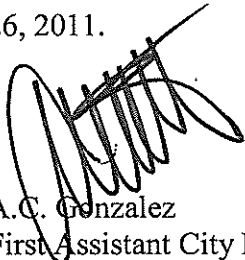
TO: Members of the Public Safety Committee

SUBJECT: Award for Dallas Police Victim Services Grant from Criminal Justice Division

The Police Department has been awarded \$52,381 for continuation of the victim services grant. This grant requires matching funds in an amount not to exceed \$15,909. The total grant project cost is \$68,290. The Dallas Police Department is requesting authorization to accept continuation of the Dallas Police Department Victim Services grant from the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division. The purpose is to provide sufficient services to reach eligible crime victims, for the period of September 1, 2011 through August 31, 2012.

This grant will provide tenth-year funding for the salaries, benefits, and training for one full-time victim advocate and two part-time victim advocates to provide crime victim compensation application assistance, follow-up, information and referral, crisis counseling, personal advocacy and court advocacy for victims/family survivors of homicides, sexual assaults, robbery, aggravated assaults, traffic fatalities or injuries due to Failure to Stop and Render Aid and Driving While Intoxicated. The Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division specifically requires governing body approval for acceptance of this grant.

Seeking favorable recommendation, this Award for Dallas Police Victim Services Grant from the Criminal Justice Division will be placed on the City Council Agenda for October 26, 2011.



A.C. Gonzalez  
First Assistant City Manager

# Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE: October 21, 2011

TO: Members of the Public Safety Committee

SUBJECT: New Internet Crimes Against Children Grant Award

The City of Dallas has been awarded continuation funding in the amount of \$433,106 for the ICAC program under grant award 2010-MC-CX-K037 Continuation. This grant does not require a match from the City of Dallas.

Since 1998, the Dallas Police Department has received more than two million dollars from the United States Department of Justice to promote the investigation and prosecution of Internet-related crimes against children in Texas. That funding has paid full salary and benefits for one Dallas police detective and also provided money for equipment, travel and training, and undercover expenses for the police department's Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) squad. The grant also requires that a portion of the funds we receive be used to support a network of satellite law enforcement agencies across north Texas to address the growing problem of web-based exploitation of children. Financial support from this on-going grant program has allowed the satellite agencies to purchase equipment, send officers to advanced training classes, and pay for undercover operations in their respective jurisdictions. The transfer of funds to the satellites has been based on formal inter-local agreements with the City of Dallas.

As in the past, this money will support our local ICAC operation and our outreach program to satellite agencies as described above. The satellites to be funded during this grant cycle are: the District Attorney's Offices in Dallas, Tarrant, and Potter Counties, the Taylor County Sheriff's Office, the police departments in Arlington, Garland, Mesquite, Longview, Wichita Falls, and Lubbock, and the Dallas Children's Advocacy Center. New inter-local agreements will be prepared to formalize these arrangements.

Seeking favorable recommendation, this New Internet Crimes Against Children Grant Award will be placed on the City Council Agenda for October 26, 2011.

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A.C. Gonzalez  
First Assistant City Manager

# Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE: October 21, 2011  
TO: Members of the Public Safety Committee  
SUBJECT: Acceptance of Justice Assistance Grant

The Dallas Police Department's Reserve Battalion has been awarded an \$80,000 Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Formula Grant. This grant does not require a match from the City of Dallas.

This grant will be used to purchase handheld radios for the members of the Reserve Battalion. The new radios will be compliant with the new narrow banding and interoperability requirement of the Department. The acceptance of the grant will not interfere with any current or future funding of radios for the full-time sworn members of the Department. This grant does not require matching funds from the City of Dallas.

The Reserve Battalion has over 60 members and contributes over 1400 man hours per month to the City of Dallas. The radios purchased by the grant will help reduce crime and improve the overall criminal justice system. The radios will be issued and maintained by a full time supervisor of the Dallas Police Department designated as the Reserve Coordinator.

Seeking favorable recommendation, this grant acceptance of the Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Formula will be placed on the City Council Agenda for October 26, 2011.

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A.C. Gonzalez  
First Assistant City Manager

# Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

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TO: Members of the Public Safety Committee

SUBJECT: Dallas Police Department Comprehensive STEP Grant

The Texas Department of Transportation has awarded \$999,996.00 for the Comprehensive STEP (Selective Traffic Enforcement Program) Grant to the Traffic Section of the Dallas Police Department for FY 2011-12. The grant requires a match of \$282,030.71 from the City of Dallas for pension and federal insurance contributions and in-kind contributions of \$790,574.23 for mileage, court time, supervisory oversight and indirect costs. The grant provides for the reimbursement of overtime salaries for officers and supervisors to take enforcement action on specific violations: Driving While Intoxicated, Speeding, Occupant Restraint and Disregarding Traffic Control Devices in the City of Dallas.

The grant funds provided by the Texas Department of Transportation originate with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and are intended for the reduction of injury and fatality crashes. The major contributors to fatal crashes are alcohol use, non-use of occupant restraints, speeding and disregarding traffic control devices. The Traffic Section of the Dallas Police Department has utilized grant funding as part of its overall traffic safety plan for many years.

The Traffic Section reviews sites for enforcement annually to ensure that officers are deployed in an effective manner. The amount awarded to the Dallas Police Department is the highest amount awarded in the state.

Seeking favorable recommendation, this Dallas Police Department Comprehensive STEP Grant will be placed on the City Council Agenda for October 26, 2011.

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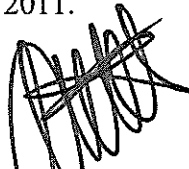
SUBJECT: Acceptance of City of Dallas NIBIN Program

The Dallas Police Department has been awarded \$64,000 for continuation of funding for a full time Police Officer for the National Integrated Ballistics Information Network (NIBIN) program. The City will pay for fringe benefits for this position and \$1,000 of the officer's salary.

The program is administrated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF) for federal, state and local law enforcement agency partners. The NIBIN program allows forensically trained personnel to enter digital images of the markings made on recovered spent cartridge casings and from test fired weapons, providing a link to criminal offenses. The images are correlated and searched in local, regional and national databases; potential matches are confirmed by a forensic specialist and the intelligence is provided to detectives in a timely manner.

The Dallas Police Department implemented the NIBIN program through grant funding in February 2004, as part of the Project Safe Neighborhood Program. To date, the Dallas Police Department's NIBIN Team has acquisitioned 21,975 casing images and made over 461 case identifications. This grant continues the funding of a certified police officer for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the grant.

Seeking favorable recommendation, this grant acceptance of the City of Acceptance of City of Dallas NIBIN Program will be placed on the City Council Agenda for October 26, 2011.



A.C. Gonzalez  
First Assistant City Manager