

1. Project name: Village of Hoffman Estates Domestic Violence Project
2. Purpose of project: To secure a Domestic Violence Counselor to support law enforcement when called out on a domestic violence dispute, to provide interventions that will reduce the number of repeat calls to the same household, and to provide domestic violence training to law enforcement
3. Postal address of project (or general location if not applicable):
4. Requested funding amount for FY22: \$150,000
5. Subcommittee: NA
6. Agency: Commerce, Justice and Science
7. Account: Byrne Justice Assistance Grant
8. How would this project benefit the public and why would it be a good use of taxpayer dollars?
 - o Increasingly Hoffman Estates police officers are dealing with more cases involving domestic disputes, mental health, and substance abuse. With the new focus on deflection that is included in the House Bill 3653 that was signed into law on February 22, 2021, there is an emphasis on deflection and connection to social services. The best way to comply with this is to have the services readily available. At this time, we can refer the person in need to Health and Human Services but many times they will not get these services until the next day. This project would provide officers with on-the-scene access to a Domestic Violence Counselor virtually to assist the victim with safety plans and to connect to shelter. To have these resources readily available would have a significant impact on the ability of our officers to do their jobs and for the public to receive these services in a timely manner. We have learned through the years that the quickest we can provide these services, the most effective they are and the most likely the person in need will have a positive outcome. The Counselor would also provide follow up support including mental health counseling and legal advocacy. Since the onset of the pandemic it has become even more difficult for people to maneuver through the court process of obtaining an Emergency Order of Protection. The Counselor would be able to provide court accompaniment, and preparation of paperwork for orders of protection which is onerous.
 - o This funding request would be an excellent use of taxpayer dollars because the it will directly help victims of domestic violence and the officers of Hoffman Estates Police Department (HEPD). Victims would receive immediate access to assistance and would be connected to resources and services in the community. HEPD has access to a large, local domestic violence agency and would contract to hire the Counselor who would have an office within the police department facility. Clients

would also be able access emergency assistance to help them move forward with their lives safely.

9. Why should this request be considered a priority for the people of Illinois or Illinois' 8th District?
 - Hoffman Estates residents residing in the 8th District need and deserve this service. Domestic violence is prevalent with officers responding to the same households repeatedly. Since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic the Illinois Domestic Violence Hotline has experienced a 70% increase in calls from victims seeking emergency shelter, counseling and safety planning. The earlier that the local DV agency can provide access to shelter and supportive services, the sooner we are able to prevent them from becoming homeless and the sooner we may save their lives. Once the constituents of the Illinois 8th District have access to domestic violence services and counseling, then we can stop the cycle of violence.
10. Please attach here any documentation that demonstrates local support for this project:
11. Please provide a breakdown here of how this funding would be used (salaries, construction, etc.):
 - Salaries for DV Counselor and Supervisor
 - Equipment
 - Administration
 - Emergency Assistance
12. Is this a new or ongoing project?
 - This is a new project
13. What is the timeline of completion for this project and will this project require additional federal funding in future fiscal years?
 - This project can begin as soon as funding is secured. A local DV agency had had counseling interns provide this service in the past and they can mobilize a DV Counselor quickly. The HEPD already has a good working relationship and can provide an office quickly. Additional funding could be used utilized in future years for salaries, admin and emergency assistance.
14. If the Appropriations Committee is not able to provide the full amount of funding requested, can this project start in a limited capacity?
 - Yes. The project can be scaled back and still be able to launch.
15. Is this project currently authorized in law? Where? If not applicable, please write "N/A".
 - Not Applicable.

16. If this project has been included in a presidential budget request, please indicate that here and detail how much and in what fiscal year:
 - o Not Applicable.
17. If this project has received any funding in the past, from either a public or private source, please detail that here:
 - o Not Applicable.
18. If you are proposing report language to accompany this CPF request, please write that language here and indicate if similar language has ever been included in a previous year:
 - o Not Applicable.
19. If this project requires a non-federal cost-share, please indicate that here and explain how you can demonstrate that the non-federal share will be met:
 - o If this project requires a non-federal cost-share, the DV agency would meet this request through its fundraising efforts.
20. Does any derogatory information, as well as any potentially mitigating information, exist that would render the entity potentially unsuitable for receiving community project funding? Please explain if applicable.
 - o Not Applicable.
21. If submitting multiple requests, please rank this request in terms of priority:
22. Please list all Members of the House and Senate who are receiving this request:

Congressman Raja Krishnamoorthi

Supplemental Required Questions for Byrne JAG Grant Projects

- Can the project obligate all the requested funds by no later than 12 months after the enactment of the Appropriations Act? Yes
- If the Appropriations Committee is not able to provide the full amount of funding requested, can this project spend a smaller amount of appropriated funds within 12 months of the enactment of the Appropriations Act? Yes
- Is this request consistent with all current statutory and regulatory requirements of Byrne Justice Assistance Grant recipients and subrecipients? Yes
- Is this project intended to serve primarily youth under age 18? No
- Is this request to fund primarily the purchase of a vehicle(s)? No
- Is this request to fund the acquisition of property or the construction or renovation of a building? No
- Has the intended recipient received any COPS or Byrne-JAG funds at any time in the past ten years? No