

# **DeKalb County Government**

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## **Legislation Text**

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**Public Hearing: YES ⊠ NO □ Department:** Solicitor - State Court

**SUBJECT:** 

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Approval to Accept the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) FY20 Grant Award from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) for the Solicitor-General's Victim-Witness Assistance Program.

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### **PURPOSE:**

To consider accepting grant award in the amount of \$50,000 from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council to support the salary and benefits of one (1) Special Victims Unit Prosecuting Attorney.

Note: Full salary and benefits are covered by this \$50,000 grant award plus a 25% county match of \$16,667.

#### **NEED/IMPACT:**

CJCC awarded the Solicitor's Office FY20 funding to support the salary and benefits of one attorney specifically assigned to cases involving Domestic Violence. With the rise in domestic violence within the county; the need for a specialized team (SVU) that specifically deals with prosecuting DV crimes is imperative.

The grant cycle for his award is from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

This award provides additional funding to our overall grants budget. A match of \$16,667 is required.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

To approve and accept VAWA FY20 Grant Award in the amount of \$50,000.