



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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Chicago, IL

Legislation Text

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PROPOSED GRANT AWARD

Department: Cook County State's Attorney's Office

Grantee: Cook County State's Attorney's Office

Grantor: U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Woman

Request: Authorization to accept grant

Purpose: Through this program the SAO, in partnership with Life Span Center for Legal Services and Advocacy (Life Span), will develop a multidisciplinary team to strengthen the response to victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking who are enrolled in colleges located in Cook County, including the City of Chicago.

Grant Amount: \$900,000.00

Grant Period: 10/1/2015 - 9/30/2018

Fiscal Impact: None

Accounts: N/A

Concurrences:

The Budget Department has received all requisite documents and determined the fiscal impact on Cook County, if any.

Summary: The VOICES program will: 1) Increase victims' (who are enrolled in college) access to services and protections needed to live safe and productive lives and 2) Increase offender accountability by improving college, law enforcement, and prosecution collaboration around campus-related domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Subcontracts will be executed with Rape Victim Advocates (RVA) and Chicago Metropolitan Battered Woman's Network Centralized Training Institute (CTI) to oversee the development of training curriculum and training materials including manuals, training packets, and evaluation tools, as well as collaborate on activities related to planning, scheduling, coordinating, and evaluating training.