



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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Legislation Text

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PROPOSED GRANT AWARD

Department: State's Attorney's Office

Grantee: State's Attorney's Office

Grantor: Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority

Request: Request to Accept Grant

Purpose: Support the costs of dedicating one Postconviction DNA Assistant State's Attorney and one Postconviction DNA Specialist that will form the Postconviction DNA Program.

Grant Amount: \$332,533.00

Grant Period: 1/1/2014 through 12/31/2014

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: This grant will allow the Office to dedicate one Postconviction DNA Assistant State's Attorney and one Postconviction DNA Specialist that will form the Postconviction DNA Program. This Program will solely focus on postconviction cases specifically dealing with DNA. The grant-funded staff will review postconviction cases to identify those in which DNA testing could prove the actual innocence of a person convicted of a violent felony offense(s) as defined by State law, locate biological evidence associated with such postconviction cases, and facilitate DNA analysis of appropriate biological evidence. There is no match requirement for this program.