



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street
Chicago, IL

Legislation Text

File #: 13-1668, **Version:** 2

PROPOSED GRANT AWARD AMENDMENT

Department: Cook County State's Attorney's Office

Grantee: Cook County State's Attorney's Office

Grantor: Office of the State's Attorney's Appellate Prosecutor

Request: Approval of an extension of time..

Purpose: This grant extension will provide funding for the Violent Crimes Training and Prosecution Program. The extension will allow the State's Attorney's Office to continue to support victims of serious violent crimes.

Supplemental Grant Amount: N/A

Grant Period: Original 10/1/12 - 9/30/13. Extension Period: 10/1/13 - 12/31/13.

Fiscal Impact: None

Accounts: N/A

Date of Board Authorization for Original Grant: 12/4/12

Original Grant Amount: \$212,766.00

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

Summary: This grant will provide funding for the Violent Crimes Training and Prosecution Program. The extension will allow the Office to continue to dedicate one (1)) DNA Resource Specialist, who will be the on-site consultant for Assistant State's Attorney's who are handling hundreds of serious violent offense cases where a DNA expert may need to be brought in to perform additional testing or possibly testify in court. The Specialist will also train the Assistant State's Attorney's office-wide on the basic fundamentals of DNA testing and the presentation of DNA in court. In addition, this funding allows our Office to send ASAs to multiple violent crimes training opportunities as well as host a series of conferences and seminars which will benefit the SAO ASAs, as well as prosecutors, law enforcement and social service agents state-wide.