

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MARCH 17, 2021

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR
OFFICE OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN GRANT**

Introduced by the Public Safety Committee

Commissioner Barnes moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Rogers.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Violence Against Women (OVW) has grant funds available; and

WHEREAS, the grant will provide funding for improving criminal justice responses to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking; and

WHEREAS, the Prosecutor's Office is desirous of submitting a grant application to provide enhanced responses to these serious violations of criminal law through the creation of a special victims unit to best serve victims and to hold offenders accountable; and

WHEREAS, the grant funding request is an amount not to exceed \$500,000, with no County match for a 36-month period beginning October 1, 2021;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Prosecutor's Office to submit a grant application; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the County's participation in the grant is discontinued or requires a County General Fund contribution, the continuation of the grant funded positions will be reviewed by the appropriate committees to determine the necessity of General Fund commitment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller be authorized to approve any necessary budget amendments to increase expenditures and increase grant revenue if the grant is approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners be authorized to sign any necessary documents.

Roll call vote. Ayes: Tim Barnes, Blake Mulder, Terrance Augustine, Brandon Haskell, Jeanne Pearl-Wright, Jane M. Whitacre, Mark Mudry, Joseph Brehler, Brian Droscha, Dairus Reynnet, Wayne Ridge, Brian Lautzenheiser, Jim Mott, Jeremy Whittum, Barbara Rogers. Nays: None. Carried.