

LRB-RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ITEM 6, FILE # 051662

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File # 051662 is a resolution authorizing application, acceptance and funding of a Homicide Review Records Needs Assessment Grant.

Background

1. This resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Police Department to apply for, accept and fund a Byrne Justice Assistance Homicide Review Records Needs Assessment project from the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice. The Bureau of Justice Assistance provides leadership and assistance in support of local criminal justice strategies to achieve safe communities. Byrne Justice Assistance grant funds are awarded directly to state and local governments.
2. This is a new grant.

Discussion

1. The purpose of this project is to assess the needs and capacity of criminal justice agencies relative to the sharing of data and the ways in which data sharing may prevent and control crime, especially homicide.
2. The needs assessment will seek to determine how data collected relative to homicides may be utilized to effect community and law enforcement strategies to reduce incidents of homicides and to better understand its root causes.
3. This grant encompasses the period of May 1, 2006 through September 30, 2006.

Fiscal Effect

1. The total amount of this grant is \$50,000, entirely from the grantor.
2. This grant will fund a contract with the Center for Urban Population Health in order to conduct a needs assessment relative to data sharing and data storage. The Center for Urban Population Health is a collaboration among the University of Wisconsin Medical School, the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, and Aurora Health Care.

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