# City of Fort Worth, Texas Mayor and Council Communication

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## M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 20-0508

## LOG NAME: 350JJDP-YOUTH-ANTI-GANG-2020

## SUBJECT

Ratify Application for, and Authorize Acceptance of, if Awarded, the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, FY 2020 Comprehensive Anti-Gang Programs for Youth in an Amount Up to \$479,386.00, Authorize Execution of Related Grant Agreement, and Adopt Appropriation Ordinance (ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS)

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Ratify application for, and authorize acceptance of, if awarded, the U.S. Department of Justice (USDOJ), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP), FY 2020 Comprehensive Anti-Gang Programs for Youth grant in an amount up to \$479,386.00;

2. Authorize the execution of a Grant Agreement with USDOJ, OJP, OJJDP for Fiscal Year 2020 Comprehensive Anti-Gang Programs for Youth grant; and

3. Adopt the attached Appropriation Ordinance increasing receipts and appropriations in the Grants Operating Federal Fund in the amount of \$479,386.00.

## DISCUSSION:

The U.S. Department of Justice, Offlice of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) Fiscal Year 2020 Comprehensive Anti-Gang Programs for Youth grant program supports OJJDP's priorities to reduce violent crime, combat gangs, and enhance public safety. The Fort Worth Police Department applied under Category 1: Intervention to dissuade youth from joining gangs and help them discontinue their involvement in gangs. The OJJDP Comprehensive Anti-Gang Programs for Youth will provide up to \$479,386.00 over a thirty-six month grant period for staffing and services that focus on dissuading youth from joining gangs and helping them discontinue their involvement in gangs.

The OJJDP goal is to prevent and reduce youth gang involvement and youth gang violence. Grant activities must address the OJJDP objectives: 1) Reduce and sustain reductions in community youth violence, particularly gun and gang violence, and victimization; 2) Prevent violence and promote healing from victimization and exposure to violence; and 3) Convene a working group (this may be an existing group) that meets regularly throughout the project period to identify and address service gaps and barriers, and use funding for a wide variety of intervention and suppression strategies targeting youth who are in a gang or at risk of joining a gang.

There is no match required for this grant-funded program. Indirect costs are included as required.

## ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS

A Form 1295 is not required because: This contract will be with a governmental entity, state agency or public institution of higher education: USDOJ

## FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the above recommendations, receipt of the grant and adoption of the attached Appropriation Ordinance, funds will be available in the current budget, as appropriated, of the Grants Operating Federal Fund. The Police Department will be responsible for the collection and deposit of funds due to the City. The Police Department will be responsible for verifying availability of funds before incurring any obligation. If awarded, the City will be paid on a reimbursement basis.

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