



ERIC GARCETTI  
MAYOR

March 10, 2017

Honorable Members of the City Council  
c/o City Clerk  
Room 395, City Hall

Re: FY 2014 Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies and Enforcement of Protection Orders Program Contracting Authorities and Budget Modifications (Council File No. 15-0245)

Dear Honorable Members:

Transmitted herewith for City Council consideration are proposed contracting authorities and budget modifications related to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women (OVW), for the Fiscal Year 2014 Office on Violence Against Women Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies and Enforcement of Protection Orders Program (FY14 Arrest Policies). On May 20, 2015, City Council accepted the FY14 Arrest Policies grant award in the amount of \$900,000 with a grant performance period from October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2017.

**Background**

The FY14 Arrest Policies grant is designed to address issues of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking as serious violations of criminal law requiring the coordinated involvement of the entire criminal justice system. It encourages collaborative programs that result in new responses to ensure victim safety and offender accountability. The grant provides for personnel, contractual services, supplies and travel as it pertains to the administration and implementation of the Domestic Abuse Response Teams (DART) and Sexual Assault Response Teams (SART)

Domestic Abuse Response Team (DART)

DART services can include case management, advocacy, transportation, needs assessment, counseling, crisis intervention, medical and emergency room advocacy, parenting classes, support groups, referrals to shelters, legal services, self-defense classes, and assistance in obtaining restraining orders.

Jewish Family Service was originally allocated \$200,000 to provide DART services in the North Hollywood Division. Jewish Family Service is unable to continue service to this Division, resulting in cost savings in the amount of \$97,273.74. Strength United will be contracted to continue services in the North Hollywood Division in the amount of \$66,666.67. The remaining balance of \$30,607.07 will be allocated to the SART Program, as noted below.

Authority is being requested to conduct the necessary budget modifications, as noted above, and to execute a DART contract amendment with Jewish Family Service and execute a DART contract with Strength United.

Sexual Assault Response Team (SART)

Under the SART program, a dedicated sexual assault response service provider is available citywide 24 hours/7 days a week to provide crisis intervention, medical and emergency room accompaniment, counseling, follow-up calls and outreach and accompaniment services to court and social service agencies as necessary.

The agencies selected for the citywide expansion of SART were Strength United (\$75,000), Peace Over Violence (\$75,000), and the Center for the Pacific Asian Family (\$75,000). With the additional cost savings of \$30,607.07, Strength United will receive an additional allocation of \$10,202.35 to augment their current services, for a total SART allocation of \$85,202.35. Peace Over Violence and the Center for the Pacific Asian Family will each receive an additional allocation of \$10,202.36 to augment their current services, for a total SART allocation of \$85,202.36 per agency.

Authority is being requested to conduct the necessary budget modifications, as noted above, and to execute SART contract amendments with Strength United, Peace Over Violence, and the Center for the Pacific Asian Family. These modifications are pending grantor approval.

It is therefore requested that the City Council:

1. **AUTHORIZE** the Mayor or his designee, to:
  - a. Modify the existing grant budget (Council File No. 15-0245) for the FY14 Arrest Policies grant by reallocating funds between projects as described within this report;

- b. Negotiate and execute, on behalf of the City, an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Jewish Family Service for DART services to decrease their total contract amount by \$97,273.74 from \$200,000 to \$102,726.26, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form;
- c. Negotiate and execute, on behalf of the City, a Professional Services Agreement with Strength United for DART services in the amount of \$66,666.67 for a term within the applicable grant performance period, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form;
- d. Negotiate and execute, on behalf of the City, an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Strength United for SART services to increase their total contract amount by \$10,202.35 from \$75,000 to \$85,202.35, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form;
- e. Negotiate and execute, on behalf of the City, an amendment to the professional Services Agreement with Peace Over Violence for SART services to increase their total contract amount by \$10,202.36 from \$75,000 to \$85,202.36, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form; and
- f. Negotiate and execute, on behalf of the City, an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Center for the Pacific Asian Family for SART services to increase their total contract amount by \$10,202.36 from \$75,000 to \$85,202.36, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form.

2. **AUTHORIZE** the Mayor, or designee, to prepare Controller's instructions for any necessary technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer and authorize the Controller to implement the instructions.

Sincerely,



ERIC GARCETTI  
Mayor

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