

COMMUNICATION

TO: LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

File No. 11-0255

**FROM: COUNCILMEMBER MITCHELL ENGLANDER, CHAIR
COUNCILMEMBER JOE BUSCAINO, MEMBER
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR AND MEMBER, PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE relative to an Underserved Victim Advocacy and Outreach Program grant award from Victim of Crime Act for one full-time Korean victim advocate and one full-time contractual Korean victim advocate in the City Attorney's Office.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. APPROVE the Underserved Victim Advocacy and Outreach grant award, and AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to execute the contract between the City and Cal Emergency Management Agency (Cal EMA) for the period of October 1, 2011, to September 30, 2012, subject to City Attorney approval as to form and legality.
2. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to accept reimbursement funding in the amount of \$125,000 during the term of the agreement between the City and Cal EMA.
3. AUTHORIZE the Controller to:
 - a. Establish a receivable in the amount of \$125,000 in Fund 368, City Attorney Grant Fund.
 - b. Establish the following appropriation accounts in Fund 368, Department 12:

Account 12H401 - Personal Services	\$ 78,336
Account 12H403- Operating Expenses	<u>46,664</u>
Total:	\$125,000
 - c. Transfer \$44,276 from Fund 368, Account 12H401 - Personal Services to Fund 100, Department 12, Account 001020 Salaries Grant Reimbursed.
4. AUTHORIZE the City Administrative Officer (CAO), or designee, to approve the Certification of Assurance of Compliance.
5. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to prepare Controller instructions for any necessary technical adjustments consistent with this action, subject to the approval of the CAO: and, REQUEST that the Controller implement the instructions.
6. INSTRUCT the City Clerk to place on the Council Calendar on July 1, 2012, or the first meeting day thereafter the following action relative to the City Attorney's Underserved Victim Advocacy and Outreach Program:

That the Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor, AUTHORIZE the Controller to transfer \$15,158 from Fund 368, Department 12, Account 12H401 - Personal Services to Fund 100, Department 12, Account 001020 Salaries Grant Reimbursed.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CAO reports that the total cost of the Underserved Victim Advocacy and Outreach Program is \$171,486, of which \$125,000 will be reimbursed by Cal EMA for salaries, fringe benefits, and expenses. The General Fund impact will be \$15,236 for overhead costs, which is not eligible for reimbursement under Federal grant restrictions. The grant has a 20 percent (\$31,250) matching requirement. The acceptance and use of the grant funds is consistent with City financial policies in that all eligible program costs are fully funded for the duration of the grant term.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

In a report to the Mayor and Council dated March 13, 2012 (attached to the Council file), the CAO states that the City Attorney requests authority to accept the Underserved Victim Advocacy and Outreach program grant award in the amount of \$125,000. Grant funds will support the salaries of one full-time Korean victim advocate in the City Attorney's Office, one full-time contractual Korean victim advocate, and various expenses to provide victim support services. The program provides services to victims of crime in the Korean-American community with the goal of assisting victims in recovering from the psychological, emotional, and out-of-pocket financial losses incurred as a result of the crime, as well as increasing the victims' involvement in the criminal justice system. The CAO recommends approval of the City Attorney's request.

At the Public Safety Committee meeting held April 20, 2012, the Committee Chair and member recommended that Council approve the above recommendations to authorize the City Attorney to accept the Underserved Victim Advocacy and Outreach Program grant award, as recommended by the CAO.

Respectfully submitted,

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MITCH ENGLANDER, CHAIR
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

JOE BUSCAINO, MEMBER
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
ENGLANDER:	YES
PERRY:	ABSENT
BUSCAINO:	YES
KREKORIAN:	ABSENT
ZINE:	ABSENT

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