

CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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Bill Type and Number: 2022-27

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at the request of the Sheriff

Date of Introduction: January 11, 2022

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, F, R

Date of Analysis: January 12, 2022

Type of Action: Appropriation, agreement authorization, *Ordinance Code* exception and designation of oversight agency

Bill Summary: This bill is an appropriation of \$249,794 in grant funds from the Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, for the Community Policing Development Crisis Intervention Teams Program. The grant period commenced on September 1, 2021 and continues through August 31, 2023. The Subaward Agreement between the City of Jacksonville and Lutheran Services Florida, Inc. (LSF) for COPS Community Policing Development Crisis Intervention Teams Program is authorized. This bill also invokes the exception to Section 126.107(g), *Ordinance Code* to authorize the use of the professional services of LSF to provide services in support of the Co-Responder Team in accordance with the conditions of the Grant and Program guidelines. The Jacksonville Sheriff's Office will oversee and administer the Grant and Agreement.

Background Information: The purpose of this legislation is to provide funding for a Co-Responder (Crisis Intervention) Team. The team will consist of a credentialed mental health professional clinician and a sworn law enforcement officer who will work side-by-side to respond to nonviolent health-related calls for service, mental health intervention and crisis de-escalation services. LSF will provide the services of the clinician for two years and will provide training and ongoing support for the Co-Responder Team. Jacksonville Sheriff's Office will provide one police officer from the Sheriff's Patrol and Enforcement Division re-assigned to the Co-Responder Team. The grant funds will also be utilized to offset certain travel and training expenses.

Policy Impact Area: Community Policing Development Crisis Intervention Teams Program

Fiscal Impact: Appropriation of \$249,794 as initiated by B.T. 22-028, no local match is required

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