CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2022-168

Sponsor: Introduced by Council President at the request of the mayor

Date of Introduction: March 8, 2022

Committee(s) of Reference: F, NCSPHS

Date of Analysis: March 8, 2022

Type of Action: Appropriation

Bill Summary: This legislation appropriates grant funding for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant of \$460,184 from the Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance to the City of Jacksonville for the purpose of crime reduction and improvement of public safety in Duval County.

Background Information: The programs that are funded by this grant serve violent and non-violent criminals, provide for crime prevention as well as create opportunities for adult and juvenile offenders and ex-offenders. There is no match required from the city.

A portion of these funds will be used to support the City's DAWN (Developing Adults with Necessary Skills) and InVEST programs. The DAWN program provides General Education Development (GED) and adult basic education instruction, life skills and job training, and transitional counseling classes to adults aged 18 and over who are incarcerated in Jacksonville Sheriff's Office 16 facilities. The InVEST program involves a collaborative effort between the City's Victim Services Center, the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office, and Hubbard House, Inc. to assist victims of domestic violence. In addition, the grant funds will be used to support the Fourth Judicial Circuit State Attorney's Office's Community Crime Strategies Unit ("CCSU") and the Violence Reduction Center in the New Town Success Zone at Edward Waters University.

Policy Impact Area: Crime Control and Prevention / Public Safety

Fiscal Impact: \$460,184

Analyst: Distel