

Agenda Report

DATE:

October 4, 1999

TO:

City Council

FROM:

City Manager

RE:

Acceptance of OCJP grant funding to assist in providing services

to the victims of Elder Abuse.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council recognize and adopt a resolution accepting a \$90,000 grant which the State Office of Criminal Justice Planning (OCJP) has made available for the purpose of impacting Elder Abuse. This funding would allow for the Pasadena Police Department and the Center for Aging Resources (CFAR) to enter into a partnership designed to identify and assist the victims of elder abuse.

BACKGROUND:

OCJP has provided tentative approval to a partnership between the Pasadena Police and CFAR. OCJP will provide a \$90,000 grant, which will be coupled with a \$22,000 match from CFAR. The grant will serve to provide mental health outreach and psychotherapy services, elder abuse awareness training and participation in multidisciplinary case conference meeting. The Police Department and CFAR will work jointly to identify cases involving Elder Abuse and collectively pool their resources.

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It should be noted that this same grant was recognized and accepted by Council on May 10. 1999. At that time, it was anticipated that the grant would find a full-time Police Investigator dedicated to Elder Abuse. Subsequent to Council's acceptance OCJP determined that such utilization would not be acceptable under the terms of the grant. They indicated that only "direct service" outreach efforts would be permissible. As a result, the Police Department and CFAR reconfigured the nature of their partnership to meet OCJP's requirements. Under the new arrangement, \$5,000 will be utilized directly by the Police Department, with the remainder to be utilized by CFAR in rendering the aforementioned services.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding the program will be provided by the \$90,000 OCJP grant and a \$22,000 match from CFAR.

Respectfully submitted,

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City Manager

Approved by:

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