

Buncombe County Agenda Item Information Sheet

AGENDA ITEM: Budget Amendment for Family Justice Center Arrest Grant (Grant Fund – Other Public Safety)

MEETING DATE: January 5, 2016

REQUESTED BY: Jennifer Chilton for Amanda L. Stone

Background information

Buncombe County's Family Justice Center will bring together a range of services under one roof: law enforcement, governmental agencies, and non-profits to provide comprehensive services to adult victims of domestic and sexual violence. This project is supported by a grant from United States Department of Justice (DOJ), Office on Violence Against Women (OVW), Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies and Enforcement of Protective Orders.

Pro's

The Family Justice Center model not only provides for a more supportive experience for victims, it also increases efficiency in service provision, reduces victim recantation, increases prosecution of offenders, and ultimately reduces crime.

Con's

None noted.

Funds required in current budget:

There are no matching funds required.

Funds required in future budgets:

There are no county funds required in future budgets.

Alternatives

Action recommended:

Move \$41,732 budget from the existing grant account (2743800-439900-0900) to a new capital account (2743800-455000-0900) to support the purchase of video oversight technology system for Family Justice Center dens.