

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Approval of Solicitor General's VAWA Continuation Grant for 2022

DATE OF MEETING: December 14, 2021

Work Session/Regular Session

BUDGET IMPACT: \$21,611.00 Cash Match

FUNDING SOURCE:

- Annual
- Cash \$21,611.00 Cash Match
- In-Kind

COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Approval of Solicitor-General's VAWA Continuation Grant for 2022

HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: The Solicitor-General's Office has received the VAWA (Violence Against Women Act) Grant since April 2018. This grant funds a specialized prosecutor to handle Family Violence and Violence Against Women Crimes. The continuation grant award period is January 01, 2022-December 31, 2022. Although this is a continuation grant year, we are requesting an additional \$14,834.00 in federal funds. If our request is approved, this will cover the entire salary and 44% of the health insurance of this grant-funded position. The total cash match needed from Lowndes County would be \$21,611.00. The current VAWA Cash Match is \$19,049.00. This would only be an increase of \$2,562.00. If our request is not approved, the county would need to pay a total cash match of \$36,266.00 as discussed in the November 9th Commissioner's Meeting. Submission of this grant renewal is due by December 30, 2021. The Solicitor-General's Office requests the board's approval to submit the VAWA Continuation Grant Application.

OPTIONS: 1. Approve Solicitor-General's 2022 VAWA Competitive Grant Application
2. Board's Pleasure

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Option 1

DEPARTMENT: Solicitor-General

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Justo C. Cabral, III

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: