

## STAFF REPORT

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**Date:** May 7, 2025

**To:** Mayor and City Council

**Through:** Jackie Bryant, City Manager

**Subject:** Staff Report (For Possible Action): Acceptance of a calendar year (CY) 2025 Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Services-Training-Officers-Prosecutors (STOP) Grant 2025-VAWA-27 from the Nevada Office of the Attorney General to provide services to victims of domestic violence in the amount in the amount of \$131,623.

**From:** Kathryn Nance, Chief of Police

**Department:** Police Department

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**Summary:**

This item is for the acceptance of the calendar year (CY) 2025 Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Services-Training-Officers-Prosecutors (STOP) Grant (2025-VAWA-27) from the Nevada Office of the Attorney General to provide services to victims of domestic violence.

Consent Review	Yes	No
1. Is this item an annual or standard item that comes before Council for regular approval?	x	
2. Is this item an agreement required based on an item previously approved by Council?		x
3. Is this item included in the current budget approved and adopted by Council?		x
<b>Other Considerations</b>		
What percent of the total City budget does this item represent?	.01%	

**Alignment with Strategic Plan:**

Public Safety

**Previous Council Action:**

Council has approved several Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Services-Training-Officers-Prosecutors (STOP) grant awards from the Nevada Office of Attorney General. Most recently, it approved STOP grant awards supporting the Victim Services Unit at the July 20,

2022, Council meeting (Item B.14) and the April 24, 2024, Council meeting (Item B.15).

**Discussion:**

Domestic violence is often the number one reported violent crime in the City of Reno. In 2023, Reno Police Department had 200,135 calls for service of which 9,663 calls were domestic-related crimes. In this period, VSU advocates provided advocacy to 1,219 victims of domestic violence with 1,174 unduplicated victims.

This award will partially fund two Victim Advocate positions to provide services to victims of this pervasive crime. Issuance of the award was delayed by the Attorney General's Office. RPD received the award on April 8, 2025. The CY 25 STOP grant term will run January 1, 2025-December 31, 2025.

**Financial Implications:**

These funds require a match on the total project cost. In this case, the required match is \$43,874. This match will be met with employee benefits and volunteer time spent supporting the grant project, and partial costs of the grant-funded employee benefits.

**Legal Implications:**

The City, by accepting these grant funds, agrees to comply with the terms of the grant application, provide information for evaluation to the granting organization, and provide progress and financial reports on program activities. These reports will be completed by police personnel. Failure to adhere to the grant requirements could affect future funding. Legal review completed for compliance with City procedures and Nevada Law.

**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends acceptance of a CY 2025 Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Services-Training-Officers-Prosecutors (STOP) Grant (2025-VAWA-27) from the Nevada Office of the Attorney General to provide services to victims of domestic violence in the amount in the amount of \$131,623, authorize the Chief of Police, City Manager and/or Mayor or their designees to sign the necessary documents.

**Proposed Motion:**

I move to approve to approve calendar year (CY) 2025 Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Services-Training-Officers-Prosecutors (STOP) Grant (2025-VAWA-27) from the Nevada Office of the Attorney General in the amount of \$131,623, authorize the Chief of Police, City Manager and/or Mayor or their designees to sign the necessary documents.

**Attachments:**

CY 25 STOP Grant Award Document

