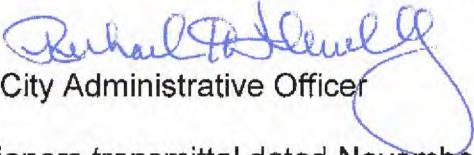


REPORT FROM

OFFICE OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Date: November 20, 2019
To: The Mayor and Council
From: Richard H. Llewellyn, Jr., City Administrative Officer
Reference: Board of Police Commissioners transmittal dated November 5, 2019; referred for report November 5, 2019
Subject: **2019 CALIFORNIA COVERDELL PROGRAM GRANT**

CAO File No. 0130-01862-0028
Council File No. 19-1376
Council District: --



RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Council, subject to approval of the Mayor:

1. Authorize the Chief of Police or his designee to:
 - a. Retroactively apply for and accept the grant award for the 2019 Paul Coverdell Program Grant from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs in the amount of \$175,000 for the period of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020;
 - b. Negotiate and execute the Grant Agreement for the period of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form;
2. Authorize the Controller to:
 - a. Set up a grant receivable and appropriate \$175,000 to appropriation account, account number to be determined, within Fund No. 339, Department No. 70, for the receipt and disbursement of the 2019 Paul Coverdell Program Grant funds;
3. Authorize the Los Angeles Police Department to:
 - a. Spend up to the grant amount of \$175,000 in accordance with the grant award agreement;
 - b. Submit grant reimbursement requests to the grantor and deposit grant receipts into Fund No. 339, Department No. 70; and,
 - c. Prepare Controller instructions for any technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer, and authorize the Controller to implement the instructions.

SUMMARY

The Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) is seeking retroactive approval to apply for and accept a \$175,000 grant award for the 2019 Paul Coverdell Program Grant from United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs (OJP) in the amount of \$175,000. The grant term is from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020. The OJP awards the Paul Coverdell Program Grant to states and units of local government to improve the quality, timeliness, and credibility of forensic science and medical examiner services. Grant funds may also be used to eliminate backlogs in the analysis of forensic evidence, including controlled substances, firearms examination, forensic pathology, latent prints, questioned documents, toxicology, and trace evidence. The 2019 Paul Coverdell Program Grant will fund the purchase of equipment that will assist with the implementation of the LAPD Forensic Science Division (FSD) Forensic Testing and Gun Violence projects by reducing the firearms analysis backlog and improving the FSD's testing capacity for opioids, over-the-counter medications, and other drug-impairing substances.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Approval of the recommendations in this report will allow for the expenditure of the 2019 Paul Coverdell Program grant award totaling \$175,000. There is no impact to the General Fund as a result of these actions. These actions are in compliance with the City's Financial Policies in that one-time revenue is being used for one-time expenses. There are no matching funds required.

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