

Legislation Text

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# U.S. Department of Justice FY 2019 Sexual Assault Kit Initiative Grant

### Action:

Authorize the Mayor to accept a three-year, FY 2019 Sexual Assault Kit Initiative grant in the amount of \$1,494,054 from the U.S. Department of Justice.

### Staff Resource(s):

Kerr Putney, Police Muriel Hughes, Police Morgan Parks, Police

### Explanation

- The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department (CMPD) often applies for grants to fund work beyond what is programmed in the operating budget.
- CMPD has been awarded a Fiscal Year 2019 Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI) grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA).
- According to the grant parameters, the city must accept the grant award by November 2, 2019, to receive funding.
- This grant will provide funds to maintain the components of the BJA Model established with the FY 2016 SAKI grant received by CMPD, including continuing to fund one-full time Site Coordinator to serve as the point of contact for the multidisciplinary working group and track progress of secondary evidence testing, one full-time Sexual Assault Victim Advocate to provide resources to victims of sexual assault, one full-time DNA Criminalist, two part-time detectives, and evidence testing services.
- The grant is for a three-year term from October 1, 2019, through September 30, 2022.
- No matching contribution from the city is required.

## **Fiscal Note**

Funding: General Grants Fund