

# BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM REPORT AWARDS / CONTRACTS / GRANTS

C Award C Contract G Grant	Requested Board Meeting Date: 11/19/2024	
* = Mandatory, information must be provided	or Procurement Director Award:	
*Contractor/Vendor Name/Grantor (DBA):		

Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

# \*Project Title/Description:

Pima County Victim Restitution Assistance Program

#### \*Purpose:

The purpose of the Pima County Victim Restitution Assistance Project (PC-VRAP) is to pilot a victim restitution assistance program for juvenile defendants in Pima County Juvenile Court (part of Arizona Superior Court in Pima County), who are unable to pay Court-ordered victim restitution.

The grantor, OJJDP, approved a scope change and modification to the previously approved grant budget. The sub-recipient, Praxis, notified the department that they no longer had the capacity to continue with the project. As of July 2024, Praxis withdrew from the project. The original budget allocated \$120,000 to pay the Praxis, however only \$36,747.40 was spent. The new budget allocates the remaining \$83,252.60 for Praxis to the restitution category. In addition, the new budget reduces Personnel \$50,788.47, Fringe Benefits \$18,217.68, Supplies \$3,289.32, and \$7,229.63 Indirect Costs and allocates \$79,524.63 to the restitution category.

#### \*Procurement Method:

The grant award amendment does not require PCAO's review or signature.

# \*Program Goals/Predicted Outcomes:

Pima County projects that a juvenile restitution assistance program will show immediate impacts on case outcomes. Youth will be able to wrap up their court involvement more quickly; their families will be able to redirect their limited monetary resources to basic necessities and expenses that directly benefit their families; the youth will be eligible for destruction of records; and the victims will be made whole expeditiously. The predicted outcomes are hopefully to show that this program helps with recidivism rates in the juveniles who are part of this program.

#### \*Public Benefit:

The program benefits the public by allowing victims to receive the restitution ordered by the Court. It will help juveniles and their families by resolving a financial burden that causes them to linger in the justice system.

## \*Metrics Available to Measure Performance:

No research is available regarding the use of either unpaid victim restitution, or restitution assistance, on juvenile violent crime or recidivism. There is strong anecdotal consensus among Public Defender juvenile attorneys that the heavy burden of unpaid victim restitution hangs on clients for years and hamstrings their ability to engage in positive behaviors and implement life changes such as employment, education, counseling, or parenting activities. Unpaid restitution thwarts individuals' ability to resolve some of the personal and environmental factors that increase the risk of recidivism.

At present, there are no evidence-based practices to select or implement. Rather, through its pilot project, PDS hopes to collect, analyze, and evaluate sufficient data that will contribute to developing and defining promising practices related to the juvenile justice system's use of victim restitution orders and restitution payment assistance. A resource guide for juvenile justice system stakeholders, including judges, will be created to share learnings from the VRAP project implementation by the end of the fourth quarter following award. This grant deliverable will be updated annually thereafter. PDS is required to report to DOJ programmatically (semi-annually) and financially (quarterly).

### \*Retroactive:

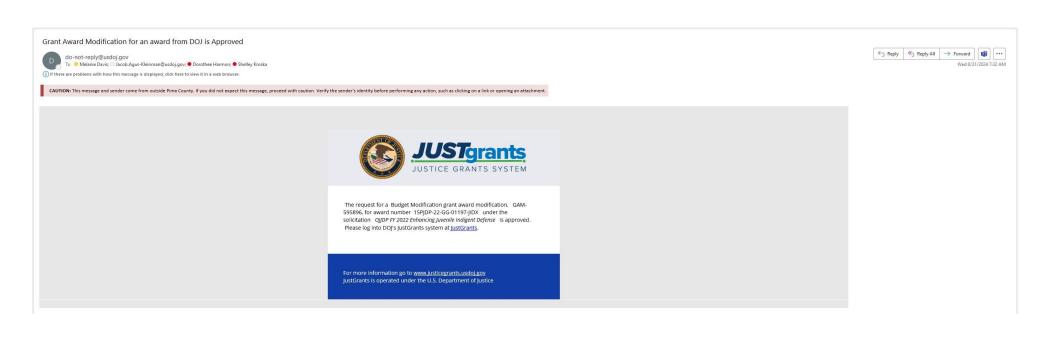
Yes, the Department of Justice approved the scope change as of 7/31/2024 and the budget modification as of 8/21/2024. As of 8/1/2024 Praxis was no longer assisting in administering the program. Due to the increased workload that was caused by Praxis off boarding from the program, the submission of the Board of Supervisor Agenda Item Report was overlooked. Once notified by GMI department that this item had not been submitted, the documentation was reviewed and processed for inclusion on the November 19, 2024 agenda .If not accepted by the Board of Supervisors, the monies will be returned to the grantor.

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