

Public Safety Committee

Meeting Date: July 11, 2023

Public Safety and Community Violence Reduction Grant

Department:	Marshal's Office
Presenter:	Capt. Jeff Barrett, Exec. Officer
Caption:	Motion to approve acceptance of ARPA State Fiscal Recovery Fund Public Safety and Community Violence Reduction Grant Program
Background:	In order to meet the immediate court security needs as recommended by the Georgia Standards for the Security of Courthouses and Other Court Facilities written by the Georgia Council of Superior Court Judges and the Georgia Sheriff's Association, we have been preliminarily accepted to receive funds for security screening equipment and technology to mitigate or reduce the possibility of gun crimes in our courts. Some of these measures would include modern walk-through screening systems; X-ray equipment for bags and packages; video monitoring station, and facility access control technologies. We need new equipment for the addition of juvenile court and our existing equipment at our other facilities are dated and don't have the advanced features that are seen across the industry today.
Analysis:	Accepting this grant will provide for greater screening capabilities and improved security at the various court facilities.
Financial Impact:	The grant is for \$1,578,558.30 with no local match.
Alternatives:	None recommended
Recommendation:	Approve accepting grant as outlined
Funds are available in the following accounts:	Fund 220
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