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Department of Local Affairs
Division of Local Government

January 24, 2025

The Honorable Jeni Arndt, Mayor
Fort Collins, City of
P O Box 580
Fort Collins, Co 80522

Re: POMH25-018 Fort Collins, City of - Peace Officers Behavioral Health Support and Community Partnerships Program, Notice of Intent to Award Funds and Next Steps.

Dear Mayor Arndt:

The Department of Local Affairs received your application for the Peace Officers Behavioral Health Support and Community Partnership (POMH) Grant Program. Congratulations, after thorough review, I am pleased to offer a grant award in the amount of \$100,000.00 for the purpose of providing behavioral health support services to peace officers, peace officers immediate family. This award does not include funding for co-responder programs.

In case you are not aware, POMH funds expire 3 years after DOLA receives the appropriation. At the end of those three years, the unexpended and unused fund balance expires and becomes unusable. Due to this restriction, DOLA is implementing a new funding strategy to ensure all POMH funds are expended prior to expiring, which for this appropriation is June 2027. To help ensure this occurs, we are awarding a portion of your initial request and shortening the length of the initial contract to expire one year before the associated funding expires, which for this contract will be June 2026. Program staff will closely monitor the contract spend rate and allow each local government to request supplemental funding, once it demonstrates the need for additional funds and provided funds are still available. In some cases supplemental awards may require extending the contract one additional year. As the original fund balance becomes depleted, each local government will be encouraged to apply in the next upcoming NOFA to request additional funding in a new contract.

To ensure this process works smoothly, each grantee needs to abide by the contract requirement to submit quarterly reports, which will help staff monitor the spend rate on each individual contract. Be sure that all funds expended in the quarter are immediately reflected in the quarterly report and are not delayed and identified in a future quarterly report. Stay in constant communication with program staff to ensure everyone is closely monitoring contract expenditures. Together we will be able to effectively determine when a contract may require supplemental funds or when it makes sense to apply in the next upcoming NOFA, which will generally occur each year around May/early June. Working together we can help ensure that all local governments will consistently have an opportunity to receive these important funds to assist their Peace Officers.



Your Grant Agreement will be unilaterally signed by the State and issued as a “Grant Award Letter including Terms and Conditions”. Grantees of these funds will not need to sign and return the document packet to DOLA. Payment requests will be made using DOLA’s online portal.

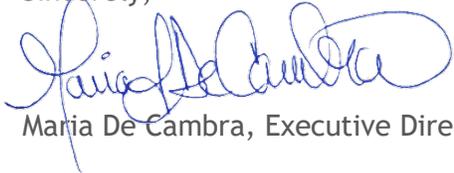
Next Steps:

- Please complete and return the W-9 (required) and the EFT form (optional) included in this packet to the addresses indicated on the forms as soon as possible.
- You will receive the fully executed Grant Award Letter including Terms and Conditions packet via email only. This document packet does not need to be signed or returned by you.

Grant funds awarded will come from state tax proceeds that may cause you to go to an election to receive and spend these funds. Please confer with your appropriate budget and legal staff to determine if such an election is necessary.

Thank you for your interest in the Peace Officers Behavioral Health Support Program. Please contact Ella Bowman at (303) 864-7896 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Maria De Cambra, Executive Director, DOLA

Cc: Rob Seals, Police Psychologist
Ella Bowman, Program Manager

