

Town of Johnstown

TOWN COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA COMMUNICATIONS

AGENDA DATE: January 17, 2024

SUBJECT: Grant Application for Peace Officer Behavioral Health Support

and Community Partnership Grant Program

ACTION PROPOSED: Consider Resolution 2024-06 Authorizing and Supporting the

Town of Johnstown's Application for a Peace Officers Behavioral

Health Support and Community Partnership Grant from the

Colorado Department of Local Affairs

ATTACHMENTS: 1. Resolution 2024-06

PRESENTED BY: Ryan Oglesby, Interim Police Chief

AGENDA ITEM DESCRIPTION:

Enclosed for your consideration is a resolution that will allow staff to apply for funding from the Department of Local Affairs. Funding is being offered through the Peace Officer Behavioral Health Support and Community Partnership Grant Program and will be sought to fund a community co-responder program and peer support services for the officers of the Johnstown Police Department.

The Johnstown Police Department began a community co-responder program in 2023 in which Summitstone Health Partners was able to fund a mental health clinician who works directly with officers on mental health-related calls for service. We hope to secure additional grant funding to continue this valuable program for two additional years.

We are also hoping to secure funding to begin a peer support program. This program will be focused on training officers within the department to be peer support counselors who work with mental health counselors to provide a support service for officers who are involved in critical incidents or who have job-related stress. These programs have proved to be valuable for many other departments in our area and we hope to provide the same level of service to our department.

LEGAL ADVICE:

The Community That Cares

www.TownofJohnstown.com P: 970.587.4664 | 450 S. Parish Ave. Johnstown CO | F: 970.587.0141 The Town Attorney drafted the resolution.

FINANCIAL ADVICE:

Grant funding does not require a town match for application purposes. There is also no mandate to continue funding at the conclusion of the grant period.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve Resolution 2024-06 as presented.

Reviewed and Approved for Presentation,

Town Manager