

Legislation Text

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Authorizing the Police Department to accept a grant in the amount of \$75,000 from the U.S. Department of Justice for the Mental Health Collaboration Program 2017.

WHEREAS, the City of Saint Paul, Police Department has been awarded the Mental Health Collaboration Program 2017 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs in the amount of \$75,000 for a term of October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018; and

WHEREAS, this grant is funded under the Criminal and Juvenile Justice and Mental Health Collaboration program and are awarded to the Saint Paul Police Department to support its efforts to develop the Mental Health Response Team (MHRT) serving the City of Saint Paul; and

WHEREAS, the MHRT addresses the over representation of individuals experiencing mental illness within the Minnesota justice system by creating a diversion strategy that reduces the cycle of incarceration that begins with the point of arrest; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Saint Paul City Council accepts this grant, and authorizes the City of Saint Paul to enter into, and Assistant Chief Kathleen A. Wuorinen to implement the attached agreement with the U.S. Department of Justice.

None