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REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Gregory S. Taylor – Deputy Chief of Police

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SUBJECT: 2018 Concord Regional Crimeline Grant Application

Recommendation

Through the City Manager, authorize the Police Department to apply for grant funding through the 2018 Concord Regional Crimeline Grant Program. Funds from this grant will be used by the Department to support community outreach programs initiated by the Department to include obtaining instructor training and purchasing equipment and materials necessary to administer the Department's Rape Aggression Defense (RAD) Program.

Background

The Concord Regional Crimeline provides grant funding to member agencies for projects that promote community engagement and community safety initiatives. The Concord Police would like to utilize funding provided through this grant program to obtain instructor training as well as equipment and materials necessary to administer the RAD Program. RAD is a comprehensive self-defense course for women and includes situational awareness, prevention, risk reduction and avoidance, and progresses to teaching the basics of hands-on defense. The RAD system is dedicated to teaching women defensive concepts and techniques against various types of assault by utilizing easy, effective, and proven self-defense tactics. The system of realistic defense provides a woman with the knowledge to make an educated decision about resistance.

Discussion

This grant will allow for the Concord Police Department to obtain instructor training and purchase equipment and materials necessary to offer the RAD program to the community. This program has proven to be highly successful and demand for the program has grown over time. It is recommended that the City Council authorize the Department to apply for up to \$3,000 in grant funding through the Concord Regional Crimeline.