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Resolution Approving the City of Hampton, Virginia's Participation in and Appropriation of the 2017 State Homeland Security Program Grant through the Virginia Department of Emergency Management for Hampton & Poquoson Regional Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

### **PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:**

This grant was awarded to the City of Hampton to go towards supporting the City of Hampton's and the City of Poquoson's Citizen Corps programs.

### **Discussion:**

The City of Hampton has been awarded a 2017 State Homeland Security Program Grant (SHSP). The grant award is for \$42,000.00 with no local match required for a total of \$42,000.00 for the grant. This is a joint grant that supports Hampton's and Poquoson's Citizen Corps programs. Hampton is the fiduciary for these funds which will be used to sustain & expand our Citizen Corps programs, using economies of scales to hold joint Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) & Community Animal Response Teams (CART) classes. This grant will allow the City's Office of Emergency Management (OEM) to purchase supplies, such as: CERT backpacks, field guides, moulage, and medical supplies for CERT and CART. This grant also supports instruction of 4 CERT basic courses (2 in Hampton, 2 in Poquoson), advanced courses, CERT Train-the-Trainer course, CERT program development, Pet CPR, and CERT rodeos. Outreach programs will be conducted during National Preparedness Month, and other events where OEM will distribute preparedness information & recruit volunteers.

### **Impact:**

This grant allows the Office of Emergency Management to continue to support, sustain and expand the CERT and CART programs which, will better prepare the City and the region for future threats.

### **Recommendation:**

Approve the resolution to accept and appropriate grant funds.

WHEREAS, the Virginia Department of Emergency Management has awarded a 2017 State Homeland Security Grant to the City of Hampton as fiduciary for joint emergency preparedness programs with the City of Poquoson;

WHEREAS, the grant award is in the amount of \$42,000.00 with no local match required for a total grant amount of \$42,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the grant award covers the period September 1, 2017 through March 31, 2019.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Hampton, Virginia amends its Fiscal Year 2018 Council Approved Budget to accept and appropriate to the 2017 State Homeland Security Grant funds in the amount of \$42,000.00, with no local match, and any related supplemental funding by the Virginia Department of Emergency Management in accordance with the grant agreement;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council authorizes the City Manager or her designee to take the necessary steps to implement this grant award.