Governor's Crime Commission
Crime Victim Services Meeting via WebEx
1201 Front Street, Raleigh, NC 27609
May 13, 2020
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Meeting Minutes

Attendees:
Members: Patrice Andrews, Charles Blackwood, Charles Brown, Leto Copeley, Benjamin Curtis, David Elliott (Attorney General Josh Stein), Samuel J. Ervin, Karen Howard, Patricia Lawler, Susan Osborne, Beverly Scarlett, Theresa Starling (for Tracy Lee), Mary Williams-Stover, Hoyt Tessener, Pamela Thompson, Michael Yaniero,

GCC Staff: Natalia Beckers, Sandy Dixon, Jim Lassiter, Nicki Livingston, Karen Lombri, Adonicca McAllister, Diane Barber-Whitaker, Caroline Valand.

Call to Order:
Chief, Patrice Andrews, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Reminders:
Ethics: Chief Andrews, reminded the committee members of the General Statue, Chapter 138A-35, and other provisions of the State Government Ethics Act/Recusal Form.

Review and Approval of Minutes:
Chief Andrews, called attention to the meeting minutes of February 12, 2020. The minutes were approved by the committee members.

Voting: Executive Director, Caroline C. Valand, reminded members of the COVID-19 Response Bill rules relating to remote meeting. Members were required to introduce themselves every time they spoke and that all votes would be taken via roll call.

Overview of Available Funding, 2020 CVS Priorities, Sandy Dixon, Lead CVS Planner.

- Received 52.3 million in VOCA funds and 4.3 million in VAWA funds.
- The VOCA funds represent approximately a 48% reduction from a high in 2018 of 103 million. The VAWA funds represent a 18,000-dollar reduction from last year.
- Review of VOCA 2020 Competitive Applications with Recommendations for Committee spreadsheet (Attachment 1).

Chief, Patrice Andrews, goes over Application Review and Voting Instructions.

- Grant applications will be discussed as needed.
- Committee members will be asked if they have any objection to the grant applications ranking.
- Committee members will be asked if they have any concerns to discuss on the staff recommendation federal share amounts.
- If no concerns or objections of how grant application is ranked, then committee will move forward.
- Motion to vote on the section as recommended and listed on spreadsheet (attachment 1, 2).
- Chief Andrews will then do roll call for each section of the 2020 VOCA and VAWA funding applications review. Committee members will formerly recuse themselves from voting during roll call, as needed, for each section.

2020 VOCA funding application review

- Underserved Crime Victim Services
  I. Chief Andrews, motion to accept staff's recommendations and rankings by committee members.
  II. Chief Andrews led roll call and subject to the recusal on the form.
  III. Subject to the recusal stated on the form (attachment 3).
  IV. Chief Andrews declares committee has voted to accept the 2020 VOCA applications for Underserved Crime Victim Services as listed and recommended by GCC staff (attachment 1).

- Legal Services for Victims of Crime
  I. Chief Andrews, motion to accept staff's recommendations and rankings by committee members. Further assessment and consideration at reduced amounts for the next two highest scoring grants in this priority with remaining funding.
  II. Chief Andrews led roll call and subject to the recusal on the form.
  III. Subject to the recusal stated on the form (attachment 3).
  IV. Chief Andrews declares committee has voted to accept the 2020 VOCA applications for Legal Services for Victims of Crime as listed and recommended by GCC staff except for

consideration at reduced amounts for the next two highest scoring grants in this priority with remaining funding (attachment 1).

- Collaborative/Multi-Agency Models (Family Justice Centers)
  - Victims of Human Trafficking
    I. Chief Andrews, motion to accept staff's recommendations and rankings by committee members.
    II. Chief Andrews led roll call and subject to the recusal on the form.
    III. Subject to the recusal stated on the form (attachment 3).
    IV. Chief Andrews declares committee has voted to accept the 2020 VOCA applications for Victims of Human Trafficking as listed and recommended by GCC staff (attachment 1).

  - Child Abuse Victims Services
    I. Chief Andrews, motion to accept staff's recommendations and rankings by committee members.
    II. Chief Andrews led roll call and subject to the recusal on the form.
    III. Subject to the recusal stated on the form (attachment 3).
    IV. Chief Andrews declares committee has voted to accept the 2020 VOCA applications for Child Abuse Victims Services as listed and recommended by GCC staff (attachment 1).

  - Other Services for Victims of Crime
    I. Chief Andrews, motion to accept staff's recommendations and rankings by committee members. Further assessment and consideration for PROJ014217 Chatham County Victim Services 2020- 2021 for the dispersal of 1.5 million dollars unassigned grants funding.
    II. Chief Andrews led roll call and subject to the recusal on the form.
    III. Subject to the recusal stated on the form (attachment 3).
    IV. Chief Andrews declares committee has voted to accept the 2020 VOCA applications for Other Services for Victims of Crime as listed and recommended by GCC staff with the exception for PROJ014217 for further assessment consideration for the dispersal of the 1.5 million dollars unassigned grants funding. (attachment 1).

  - Automated Victim Notification Services

I. Chief Andrews, motion to accept staff's recommendations and rankings by committee members.
II. Chief Andrews led roll call and subject to the recusal on the form.
III. Subject to the recusal stated on the form (attachment 3).
IV. Chief Andrews declares committee has voted to accept the 2020 VOCA applications for Automated Victim Notification Services listed and recommended by GCC staff (attachment 1).

11:50 a.m. - 12:05 p.m. BREAK

Overview of 2020 STOP funding allocations for VAWA applications, Karen Lombri, CVS VAWA Planner.

- Minor reduction of 18,000 dollars.
- Mandatory allocations for certain amounts of funding and focus areas to have appropriated funding.
- Victim Services 30% allocation, 10% must be culturally specific.
- Law Enforcement 25% allocation
- Legal Prosecution 25% allocation
- State and Local Courts 5% allocation
- Discretionary 15% allocation, specifically for batterer's intervention programs and prevention programs.
- At least 20% of the total award must be set aside for projects that address sexual assault from the first four priority funding categories.

2020 VAWA funding application review

- Victim Services
  I. Chief Andrews, motion to accept staff's recommendations and rankings by committee members.
  II. Chief Andrews led roll call and subject to the recusal on the form.
  III. Subject to the recusal stated on the form (attachment 3).
  IV. Chief Andrews declares committee has voted to accept the 2020 VAWA applications for Victim Services as listed and recommended by GCC staff (attachment 2).

- Law Enforcement
  I. Chief Andrews, motion to accept staff's recommendations and rankings by committee members.
  II. Chief Andrews led roll call and subject to the recusal on the form.
  III. Subject to the recusal stated on the form (attachment 3).

IV. Chief Andrews declares committee has voted to accept the 2020 VAWA applications for Law Enforcement as listed and recommended by GCC staff (attachment 2).

- Prosecution
  I. Chief Andrews, motion to accept staff's recommendations and rankings by committee members.
  II. Chief Andrews led roll call and subject to the recusal on the form.
  III. Subject to the recusal stated on the form (attachment 3).
  IV. Chief Andrews declares committee has voted to accept the 2020 VAWA applications for Prosecution as listed and recommended by GCC staff (attachment 2).

- State and Local Courts
  I. Chief Andrews, motion to accept staff's recommendations and rankings by committee members.
  II. Chief Andrews led roll call and subject to the recusal on the form.
  III. Subject to the recusal stated on the form (attachment 3).
  IV. Chief Andrews declares committee has voted to accept the 2020 VAWA applications for State and Local Courts as listed and recommended by GCC staff (attachment 2).

- Discretionary
  I. Chief Andrews, motion to accept staff's recommendations and rankings by committee members.
  II. Chief Andrews led roll call and subject to the recusal on the form.
  III. Subject to the recusal stated on the form (attachment 3).
  IV. Chief Andrews declares committee has voted to accept the 2020 VAWA applications for Discretionary as listed and recommended by GCC staff (attachment 2).

Old Business: Executive Director, Caroline C. Valand, reiterated Wednesday, August 12, 2020 will be the next Crime Victims Services committee meeting.

Chief, Patrice Andrews, adjourned the meeting at 12:41 p.m.

Meeting minutes taken by Natalia Beckers.

Attachments:
1. VOCA 2020 Competitive Applications with Recommendations for Committee.
2. VAWA 2020 Competitive STOP Applications with Recommendations for Committee.
3. Recusal Forms Submitted by committee members: Leto Copeley, Samuel J. Ervin, Patricia Lawler, Beverly Scarlett, and Michael Yaniero.