

Summary for Council
Department of Public Safety

Ordinance No.: 613-2026

Legislative Purpose: Authorizing the Director of Public Safety to apply for and accept a grant from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services for the FY26 Violent Crime Reduction (VCR) Grant

Legislative Summary:

This legislation would authorize the Director of Public Safety to apply for and accept a grant in the amount of \$272,399.58 from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services for the FY26 Violent Crime Reduction (VCR) Grant

Purpose of Grant:

The goal of the Violent Crime Reduction Grant program is to provide funding for the prevention, reduction and elimination of violent crime through the use of proven strategies. The Division of Police will use a multi-jurisdictional approach that incorporates Focused Deterrence, Place Network Investigations, Hot Spot Policing, and violent fugitive apprehension, supported by crime analysis and multi-jurisdictional task force operations.

Grant Term and Amount:

The grant award amount is \$272,399.58 for the Grant Period from January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026. There is no local match.

Expenses to be reimbursed:

Personnel:	\$ 231,049.58 (Police overtime)
Equipment:	\$ <u>41,350.00</u> (Bumper guards, Throwable robot, Computers)
Total:	\$ <u>272,399.58</u>

Grant Information:

- The grant period is 1/01/26 – 12/31/26
- This is a new, competitive grant.
- There is no local match.