

5/17/2021

Commerce City, City of Mayor Benjamin A. Huseman 7887 E. 60th Ave Commerce City, CO 80022

RE: DCFA 19-046 Commerce City 2020 Court Appointed Counsel Notice of Intent to Award Supplemental Funds and Next Steps

Dear Honorable Mayor Benjamin A. Huseman:

The Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) has reviewed your request for the Defense Counsel First Appearance Grant Program (DCFA). In response to your recent request, I am pleased to inform you that I approve of your selection to receive an award of supplemental funds in the amount of \$15,000 bringing the total amount awarded to your community to \$25,000. Your existing contract will be revised to reflect this funding. These funds are set in statute and will expire on 06/30/2022. Expenditure of State funds prior to the contract being fully executed <u>cannot</u> be included in the contract budget or reimbursed by the State.

Your Grant Agreement will be unilaterally signed by the State. Grantees of these funds do not need to sign and return the document packet to DOLA. You will receive the fully executed Grant Award Letter including Terms and Conditions packet via email only. Your submittal of reimbursement requests is your acceptance of the Grant Award Terms and Conditions.

Funds for this grant will be from state general fund dollars, which may cause you to go to election to receive and spend them. You should confer with your legal and budget advisors to determine if such an election is necessary. Please contact the Program Manager, Shawn Marandi, at (303) 864-8479 for information on how to proceed. Thank you for your interest in the Defense Counsel First Appearance Grant Program.

Sincerely,

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CC: Dave Bowman, Deputy Director of Local Government Tamra Norton, Director of Financial Assistance

