



MEMORANDUM

To: Galveston County Commissioners' Court
From: Betsy Thomas, Grants Administrator
Court Date: September 18, 2023
RE: Sheriff's Department
FY 2025 Statewide Automated Victim Notification Service Grant Award

BACKGROUND

In February 2004, Galveston County Commissioners Court was one of the first in Texas to authorize participation in the VINE Program (Victim Information and Notification Every day). Since that time, thousands of victims in Galveston County have registered for this free service to learn the status and court proceedings scheduled for offenders via telephone, text, or email notifications.

Galveston County's participation in the VINE Program is made possible through a grant from the Texas Attorney General's Office via the Statewide Automated Victim Notification Service (SAVNS) Grant Program.

SUMMARY

Attached is the FY 2025 SAVNS Grant Contract between the Office of the Attorney General and Galveston County. This grant pays the cost of the VINE Service Contract with Appriss.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

SVANS Grant Award	\$ 26,747.95
County Contribution	\$ 0.00
Total Program Cost	\$ 26,747.95

RECOMMENDATIONS

Grants Administration requests the Court consider acceptance of the FY 2025 Statewide Automated Victim Notification Service Grant Award and Authorize the County Judge to sign the required contract documents.

ATTACHMENTS FOR WET SIGNATURE

☐ None – Electronic DocuSign