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November 4, 2015

The Honorable Neal M. Kurk, Chairman
Fiscal Committee of the General Court
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Her Excellency, Governor Margaret Wood Hassan
And the Honorable Council
State House
Concord New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

1. Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a, VI, authorize the Department of Justice to amend Fiscal Item # 15-115 paragraph one, approved by the Fiscal Committee on July 29, 2015, and Item #92A paragraph one, approved by the Governor and Executive Council on August 5, 2015, by extending the current end date from December 31, 2015 to June 30, 2017, for a grant of \$866,833 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women for the purpose of establishing a statewide program to enhance support services for victims of sexual assault effective upon the date of Fiscal Committee and Governor and Executive Council approvals through June 30, 2017. No additional funding is involved in this time extension. 100% Federal Funds.

2. Upon approval of paragraph one, authorize the Department of Justice to amend Item #92A paragraph two, approved by the Governor and Executive Council on August 5, 2015, by extending the current end date of the sub-grants listed below from December 31, 2015 to June 30, 2017, to support activities in the coordination and implementation of this statewide initiative effective upon the date of Governor and Executive Council approval. No additional funding is involved in this time extension. 100% Federal Funds.

Funding is available in account number 02-20-20-201510-5907, Department of Justice entitled OVW Arrest Grant as follows:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Vendor#</u>	<u>Amount</u>
072-500575	NH Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence – SANE Program	155510-B001	\$272,840

072-500575	NH Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence- Crisis Center Advocates	155510-B001	\$281,852
072-500576	NH Department of Justice	177877-B001	\$155,115

EXPLANATION

Approval of this request will allow support of on-going efforts by the Department of Justice to develop multidisciplinary teams focused on improvement of the criminal justice system's response to cases of adult sexual assault by providing support services for victims and training and resources for law enforcement and prosecutors to better recognize, investigate and prosecute cases of sexual assault. This grant funding is vital to the continuation of the progress made so far in improving the criminal justice system response to sexual assault.

Funding will support team development throughout the State, as well as trainings, updated protocols, and development of college-based programs to improve response to sexual assault on college and university campuses.

This grant award will also continue to support the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner ("SANE") Program at the N.H. Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence. The SANE program provides training and education to nurses who conduct forensic examinations of victims of sexual assault. The program coordinator also maintains the certification records for SANE nurses statewide. Continuation of the SANE program will provide nurses access to ongoing professional technical assistance in addition to the regular structured training.

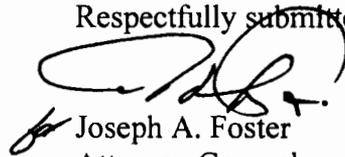
This funding will continue to support victim advocates at the 13 crisis centers organized under the N.H. Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence, who provide direct services to victims of sexual assault. Victim advocates accompany victims to police departments, hospitals and court hearings, provide personal advocacy, and assist with referrals to community services, mental health services, victim compensation, and support groups.

Extension of this grant, which supports a comprehensive, three-year program serving victims of sexual assault while working with the justice system to hold offenders accountable, will sustain the positive momentum of the N.H. Department of Justice Sexual Assault Regional Training Program and build upon the notable progress of the N.H. Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence in addressing the needs of victims of sexual assault and domestic violence.

In the event that federal funds are no longer available, general funds will not be requested to support this program.

Please let me know if you have any questions concerning this request. Your consideration is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph A. Foster", is written over the typed name.

Joseph A. Foster
Attorney General

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Enclosures

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE GRANT AWARD		
Agency Name:	NH Coalition Against Domestic/Sexual Violence	Vendor No.: 155510-B001
Program Name:	Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner	Amount: \$ 272,840.00
Grant Start Date:	11/12/2014	State Grant Number: 2015GTEAP03
Grant End Date:	06/30/2017	Federal Grant Number: 2014WEAX0036
Appropriation No.:	02-20-20-201510-5907-072-500575	
Head of Agency	Project Director	Fiscal Officer
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Federal Grant Name:	OVW Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies	
Federal Agency:	United States Department of Justice	
Bureau/Office:	Office of Justice Programs	
CFDA Number:	16-590	
Purpose of Grant:	END DATE EXTENSION Coordination and Implementation of Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Program	
Program Requirements:	Adherence to Program Conditions and Guidelines.	
Match Requirements:	No matching resources are required.	
Program income Requirements:	Program Income must be reported and spent on program allowable activities.	
Reporting Requirements:	Monthly or quarterly Financial reports. Required Performance reports and audit. Adherence to Program Conditions and Guidelines. Completion of Monitoring forms and processes.	
Approval	Program Agency	NH Department of Justice
Name	Lyn Schollett	Kathleen B. Carr
Title	Executive Director	Director of Administration
Date		
All terms of this grant award are not valid unless signed by both authorized parties.		

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE GRANT AWARD		
Agency Name:	NH Coalition Against Domestic/Sexual Violence	Vendor No.: 155510-B001
Program Name:	Sexual Assault Victim Advocate Program	Amount: \$ 281,852.00
Grant Start Date:	11/12/2014	State Grant Number: 2015GTEAP03
Grant End Date:	06/30/2017	Federal Grant Number: 2014WEAX0036
Appropriation No.:	02-20-20-201510-5907-072-500575	
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Federal Grant Name:	OVW Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies	
Federal Agency:	United States Department of Justice	
Bureau/Office:	Office of Justice Programs	
CFDA Number:	16-590	
Purpose of Grant:	END DATE EXTENSION Coordination and Implementation of Statewide Sexual Assault Victim Advocate Program	
Program Requirements:	Adherence to Program Conditions and Guidelines.	
Match Requirements:	No matching resources are required.	
Program income Requirements:	Program Income must be reported and spent on program allowable activities.	
Reporting Requirements:	Monthly or quarterly Financial reports. Required Performance reports and audit. Adherence to Program Conditions and Guidelines. Completion of Monitoring forms and processes.	
Approval	Program Agency	NH Department of Justice
Name	Lyn Schollett	Kathleen B. Carr
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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE GRANT AWARD		
Agency Name NHDOJ-SART		Vendor No.: 177877-B001
Program Name NH Sexual Assault Regional Training Program		Amount: \$ 155,115.00
Grant Start Date: 11/12/2014	State Grant Number: 2015GTEAP01	
Grant End Date: 06/30/2017	Federal Grant Number: 2014WEAX0036	
Appropriation No.: 02-20-201510-5907-072-50057E		
Head of Agency	Project Director	Fiscal Officer
Joseph Foster Attorney General NH DOJ, 33 Capitol St Concord NH 03301 271-1202	Lynda Ruel, Director Office of Victim/Witness Assistance NH DOJ, 33 Capitol St Concord, NH 03301 271-1237	Kathleen B. Carr Director of Administration NH DOJ, 33 Capitol St Concord, NH 271-1234
Federal Grant Name:	OVW Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies	
Federal Agency:	United States Department of Justice	
Bureau/Office:	Office of Justice Programs	
CFDA Number:	16-590	
Purpose of Grant:	Continuation of Sexual Assault Regional Training Program Statewide training to improve investigation & prosecution of sexual assault including proper treatment of victims END DATE EXTENSION	
Program Requirements:	Adherence to Program Conditions and Guidelines.	
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July 1, 2015

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Her Excellency, Governor Margaret Wood Hassan
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REQUESTED ACTION

1. Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a, VI, authorize the Department of Justice to **retroactively** amend the acceptance and expenditure of a grant, approved by the Fiscal Committee on November 10, 2014, as Fiscal Item #14-186 and by the Governor and Executive Council on November 12, 2014 as item #55, by extending the current end date from June 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015, in the amount of \$866,833 from the US Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women for the purpose of establishing a statewide program to enhance support services for victims of sexual assault effective upon the Fiscal Committee and Governor and Executive Council approvals through December 31, 2015. No additional funding is involved in this time extension. 100% Federal Funds.
2. Authorize the Department of Justice to **retroactively** extend sub-grants with the below agencies, from their current end dates of June 30, 2015 to new end dates of December 31, 2015, to support activities in the coordination and implementation of this Statewide initiative effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval. No additional funding is involved in this time extension. 100% Federal Funds

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This request is retroactive because the beginning date July 1, 2015 associated with this request is in the new biennium. It is the policy of the Fiscal Committee to act only on items within the current biennium and this is the first meeting in the new biennium. This grant was not budgeted because it is considered a discretionary grant and will not likely be awarded in subsequent years.

Approval of this request will allow support of on-going efforts by the Department of Justice to develop multidisciplinary teams focused on improvement of the criminal justice system's response to cases of adult sexual assault by providing support services for victims and training and resources for law enforcement and prosecutors to better recognize, investigate and prosecute cases of sexual assault. This grant opportunity is vital to the continuation of the progress made so far in improving the criminal justice system response to sexual assault.

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Federal award funds are budgeted to support the activities as follows:

Class 040 - Indirect Costs of 9.0%

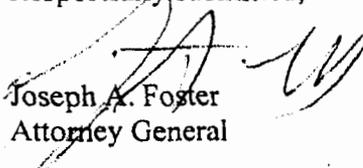
Class 041 - Audit Fund Set Aside of .1%

Class 072 - Grants to the NH Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence and to the NH Department of Justice Sexual Assault Regional Training unit for their activities related to the Project, and for salary and benefits related to the administration of the grant

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Your consideration of this request would be most appreciated. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,


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