

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Department of Corrections Victims Services

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Public Safety Subcommittee
Carrier: Representative Lewis

On Monday, May 8th, the Public Safety Subcommittee recommended approval of the submission of a federal grant application from the Department of Corrections to the U.S. Department of Justice in the amount of \$750,000 for funding to utilize technology to assist victims of crime.

This grant opportunity provides funding to organizations that demonstrate strategies for using technology to improve the quality, accessibility, and responsiveness of victim's services. If awarded, the Department of Corrections would use this funding to create a web-based platform that will provide a central statewide hub for victims of crime to identify supportive resources that are available within communities and jurisdictions across the state.

This is a competitive grant, requires no state match, and has a grant application deadline of May 22.

The Public Safety Subcommittee recommends approval.