


## City of Alexandria, Virginia

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## MEMORANDUM

DATE: AUGUST 26, 2009

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

FROM: JAMES HARTMANN, CITY MANAGER 

SUBJECT: GRANT APPLICATION TO THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR VIRGINIA'S TRIAD CRIME PREVENTION FOR SENIORS GRANT PROGRAM.

**ISSUE:** Consideration of grant application to the Office of the Attorney General of Virginia to fund outreach and safety efforts for Senior Citizens residing in the City. This grant money is offered for the purpose of supporting local TRIAD programs throughout the state.

**RECOMMENDATION:** That City Council:

- (1) Authorize the Alexandria Sheriff's Office to submit a grant application for \$2,000 to the Office of the Attorney General of Virginia. Funds will support Alexandria's TRIAD efforts and support Alexandria's Senior Citizens. (It should be noted that notification of this grant opportunity was received after the last City Council meeting held on June 22, 2009. As such, the grant application was tentatively filed in order to meet the July 29, 2009 submission deadline.) ; and
- (2) Execute all necessary documents that may be required under this program.

**BACKGROUND:** TRIAD is a program sponsored by the Attorney General's Office to reduce the fear of crime and victimization among seniors by increasing awareness of scams and frauds targeting them, strengthening communication between the law enforcement and senior communities, and educating seniors on local and state resources that are available in the community. This is accomplished through speaking engagements, community collaborations, and marketing the TRIAD concept.

On October 5, 2007, the Alexandria Sheriff's Office and the Alexandria Police Department signed an official TRIAD agreement with the Office of the Attorney General. A S.A.L.T. (Seniors and Law Enforcement Together) Council was formed and the group has sponsored several speaking engagements on senior safety throughout the city.

Grant funds will be used to purchase 1000 FILE FOR LIFE magnetic cards. These cards provide essential medical information, as well as insurance and emergency contact information to First Responders. The FILE FOR LIFE cards will be distributed by members of the S.A.L.T. Council

to seniors at speaking engagements as well as community events. The Alexandria Fire Department also will be provided a supply of the cards for distribution.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** A ten percent city match is required, which amounts to \$200. The matching funds will be absorbed within the Sheriff's Office FY 2010 budget.

**STAFF:**

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