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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE GRANT AWARDED TO TUCSON CITY COURT

Tucson City Court was awarded a three-year Justice for Families Grant in the amount of \$497,000 from the Department of Justice, Office of Violence Against Women. The grant will continue to support the specialized Domestic Violence Court calendar, which has provided access to advocates and services for more than 1,400 victims of domestic violence and more accountability and supervision for domestic violence offenders. The grant funding also will be used to educate judges and lawyers assigned to the Domestic Violence Court about the dynamics of domestic violence cases.

The grant will continue to provide more access to advocates and services for Deaf victims of domestic violence and offer outreach and education about domestic violence to Tucson's Deaf community.

In implementing this grant, the Court will partner with the Tucson City Prosecutor's Office, the Tucson City Public Defender's Office, Pima County Adult Probation, Emerge! Center Against Domestic Abuse, and Community Outreach for the Deaf, in an effort to address the issue of domestic violence in our city as a coordinated community response.

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