

Budget Revision Request

BJE 2006317

Budget Journal Entry #

Gov. Code Sec. 29125 & 29130

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Related Journal Entry #

Subject / Title: Provide a **short description** for this budget revision request. For example: "Designate funds for zoning ordinance amendments" or "Distribute proceeds from sale of 2005 COPS".

This revision budgets funding to Implement a Real Estate Fraud Prosecution Unit, financed by a \$2 fee for recording applicable real estate documents, and is estimated to generate \$90,000 in revenue in FY 07-08.

Justification: For all changes: explain what the change is for and why it is needed. Attach additional justification, board Letters or spreadsheet, if appropriate. When moving Appropriation: explain why it's available. When Revenue is adjusted: explain the reason for the increase or decrease. For adjustments to General Fund Contingency: explain why no other alternative funding source is available.

Pursuant to section 27388 of the California Government Code, the District Attorney requests establishment of this fee to fund a program to deter, investigate and prosecute real estate fraud crimes. The County Clerk-Recorder-Assessor will collect this \$2.00 fee at the time of recording real estate instruments, paper, or notices required or permitted by law, estimated to generate \$90,000 in fiscal year 07-08. Up to 10% of this money can be used to fund the costs they incur, with the balance utilized by the District Attorney to finance a criminal investigator dedicated to the investigation of real estate fraud. Real estate related fraud schemes can only be prevented through community outreach and focused investigative programs designed to reach those most likely to be victimized. At this time, no centralized real estate fraud prevention, investigation and prosecution program exists in Santa Barbara County. Authorizing the creation of such a program will directly address a growing problem in our non-English speaking and elder communities.

Additional details are contained in the Board letter accompanying this request,

Financial Summary

Increase or (Decrease) in Appropriation for / Uses:	Department / Fund 021 / 0001	Department / Fund	Department / Fund /	Department / Fund /
Salaries & Benefits	81,000 00	00	00	00
Services & Supplies	00	00	00	00
Other Charges	00	00	00	00
Fixed Assets	00	00	00	00
Other Financing Uses	00	00	00	00
Intrafund Transfers	00	00	00	00
Reserve or Designation	81,000 00	00	00	00
Sources:				
Revenue	81,000 00	00	00	00
Other Financing Sources	00	00	00	00
Intrafund Transfers	00	00	00	00
Reserve or Designation	81,000 00	00	00	00
Effect on Contingency / RE	00	00	00	00

Departmental Authorization	Auditor-Controller	CEO's Recommendation	Board of Supervisor's Action
_____ Department Head Date	Budget Journal Entry and Related Journal Entry <i>if applicable</i> Approved as to Accounting Form. _____ Auditor-Controller	<input type="checkbox"/> Approve	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved
_____ Department Head Date		<input type="checkbox"/> Disapprove Date	<input type="checkbox"/> Disapproved Date
_____ Department Head Date		Transfer/Revision in Accordance with Board Policy dated 8/3/93.	_____ Agenda Item
_____ Department Head Date		_____ County Executive Officer	_____ Clerk of the Board of Supervisors