



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA
CLERK

Department Name: District Attorney
Department No.: 021
For Agenda Of: October 27, 2009
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: Select_Continued
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Select_Vote

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Acting District Attorney
Contact Info: Name & Phone: Joshua Lynn, x2308
Name & Phone: Marnie Pinsker, x2304
Megan Rheinschild, x2408

SUBJECT: Acceptance of ARRA Grants For Victim Services

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: No

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions: That the Board of Supervisors

Consider recommendations regarding the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Grants for the District Attorney's Office, as follows:

- a) Authorize the District Attorney to accept and receive two Grant Awards from the U.S. Department of Justice, including \$12,231 from the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Recovery Act Program and \$18,159 from the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Stimulus funds, to sustain a .5 Victim Advocate to provide services to victims of serious crimes in FY 09-10, and
- b) Approve the Budget Revision Request # BJE 2008019 reflecting \$30,390 in unanticipated revenue from the Federal government for two ARRA grants, along with \$8,617 in match funding from designation and \$2,911 from Trust, to finance increased Salaries & Benefits (\$41,369) and Services and Supplies (\$549) for FY 2009-10 in the County's financial system.

Summary Text:

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA or Recovery Act), signed into law February 17, 2009, was enacted to:

- preserve and create jobs;
- promote economic recovery;
- help people most impacted by the recession;
- increase economic efficiency by investing in technological advances in science and health;

- promote long-term economic benefits by investing in transportation, environmental protection and other infrastructure; and
- preserve essential services in states and local governments.

ARRA funds allocated to the U.S. Department of Justice are being made available for distribution by the State, through the California Emergency Management Agency (Cal-EMA) – Law Enforcement & Victim Services Division for grants to support local victim services provided by District Attorney Offices. Two Grant Awards have been approved by Cal-EMA, including \$12,231 from the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Recovery Act Program and \$18,159 from the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Stimulus funds, to sustain a .5 Victim Advocate to provide services to victims of serious crimes. This position, otherwise subject to layoff, can be retained through FY 09-10 to provide services to victims of violent crimes in the South Coast. The total match for the two grants is \$8,617, which has been budgeted for this purpose.

Background:

The District Attorney’s Office houses the countywide Victim-Witness Assistance Program, partially funded by State and Federal grants, to provide mandated services to victims per penal code section 13835. The Victim-Witness Assistance Program is recognized by the Board of Supervisors as the major provider of services to all victims and witnesses in the county. Last fiscal year, 3,600 victims of violent crime received comprehensive services to mitigate the trauma associated with violent crime and educate and inform victims and witnesses about the criminal justice system. While the program serves all victims of violent crime, domestic violence victims comprise approximately one-third of the caseload. Unfortunately budget reductions required the elimination of 1.5 Victim Advocate positions, one in each office. Together, the VAWA and VOCA stimulus grants will nearly support the South County half time Advocate who has expertise and experience in domestic violence for the current fiscal year

Performance Measure:

- Provide 200 victims with crisis intervention, counseling support and access to the court process to ensure victims’ safety and facilitate access to financial, mental health and medical services

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund	\$ 8,617.00		
State			
Federal	\$ 30,390.00		
Fees			
Other:	\$ 2,911.00		
Total	\$ 41,918.00	\$ -	\$ -

Narrative:

The grant awards and matching funds total \$39,007, with the balance of \$2,911 contributed from unclaimed victim restitution, which must be held in Trust for direct services to victims, per GC 50050. The federal grant funds and match will be established in the District Attorney’s budget 021/1004.

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions:

DA Victim Advocate

FTEs:

.5

Special Instructions:

Please return a copy of the Minute Order to the District Attorney's Office, ATT Marnie Pinsker

Attachments:

Cal EMA grant award notice for Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Stimulus Grant
Budget Revision Request

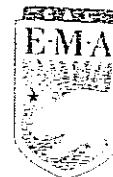
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Marnie Pinsker, DA Administrative Director

Megan Rheinschild, Victim Witness Program Manager



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September 14, 2009

Christie Stanley
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Dear Ms. Stanley:

SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATION APPROVAL
Victim Witness Assistance Recovery Act Program (200902219)
Award #: VS09 01 0420
Cal EMA ID#: 083-00000

Congratulations! The California Emergency Management Agency (Cal EMA) has approved your application in the amount of \$18,159, subject to Budget approval. A copy of your approved subgrant is enclosed for your records.

Cal EMA will make every effort to process payment requests within 60 days of receipt.

This subgrant is subject to the Cal EMA Recipient Handbook. You are encouraged to read and familiarize yourself with the Cal EMA Recipient Handbook, which can be viewed on Cal EMA's website at www.calema.ca.gov.

Any funds received in excess of current needs, approved amounts, or those found owed as a result of a close-out or audit, must be refunded to the State within 30 days upon receipt of an invoice from Cal EMA.

Should you have questions on your subgrant, please contact your Program Specialist.

LEVS Grant Processing

Enclosure

c: Recipient's file

Budget Revision Request

Gov. Code Sec. 29125 & 29130

BJE 2008019
Budget Journal Entry #

JE 2260899
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".

Establish appropriations and revenues in the District Attorney's budget based on grant funds received under ARRA (American Recovery & Reinvestment Act), which sustain a 1/2 time Victim Advocate, to provide services to crime victims.

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.

Two Federal Economic Stimulus Grants have been awarded to the District Attorney's Office, which together will nearly finance the cost of a .5 Victim Advocate, otherwise subject to layoff, to provide direct services to victims of violent crimes. Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Recovery Act funds total \$18,159, which require a 20% match, financing the position for roughly 60% of FY 09-10. Federal Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Recovery Act funds were granted in the amount of \$12,231, with a 25% match, to fund the position for the balance of FY 09-10. The county match totals and is being transferred from the designation account established during the budget process to meet match requirements under the Federal ARRA programs. In addition, \$2,911 will be contributed from a Trust account reserved for undistributed victim restitution funds to cover 5% of the position not financed from the above sources.
More detail regarding the grants is included in the Board letter on the August 25, 2009 agenda.

Increase or (Decrease) in Appropriation for / Uses:	Department / Fund 021 / 0001	Department / Fund	Department / Fund	Department / Fund	Department / Fund
Salaries & Benefits	41,369 00	00	00	00	00
Services & Supplies	549 00	00	00	00	00
Other Charges	00	00	00	00	00
Fixed Assets	00	00	00	00	00
Other Financing Uses	00	00	00	00	00
Intrafund Transfers	00	00	00	00	00
Reserve or Designation	00	00	00	00	00
Sources:					
Revenue	33,301 00	00	00	00	00
Other Financing Sources	00	00	00	00	00
Intrafund Transfers	00	00	00	00	00
Reserve or Designation	8,617 00	00	00	00	00
Effect on Contingency / RE	00	00	00	00	00

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Departmental Authorization _____ Department Head Date _____ Department Head Date _____ Department Head Date	Auditor-Controller Budget Journal Entry and Related Journal Entry if applicable. Approved as to Accounting Form. _____ Auditor-Controller	CEO's Recommendation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approve <input type="checkbox"/> Disapprove Date: 8/13/09 Transfer/Revision in Accordance with Board Policy dated 8/3/93. _____ County Executive Officer	Board of Supervisor's Action <input type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Disapproved Date _____ Agenda Item _____ Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Budget Journal Entry (On-Line)

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Audit Trail # JE2260899

Fund	Department	GL Account	Lump Sum Account	Dept Amount	Credit Amount	Program	Org Line	Project	Beg/End	Descr ID
0001	021	2420	4561	12,231.00		1004		ARRA	09/2009	a
0001	021	2420	4561	18,159.00		1004		ARRA	09/2009	b
0001	021	2420	9746	8,617.00		1004		ARRA	09/2009	c
0001	021	2420	5289	2,911.00		1004		ARRA	09/2009	d
0001	021	2530	6100		41,369.00	1004		ARRA	09/2009	e
0001	021	2530	7732		549.00	1004		ARRA	09/2009	e

41,918.00 Form Totals

- a Approp trans ARRA/AWA
- b Approp trans ARRA/VOCA
- c Approp trans ARRA/Match
- d Approp trans ARRA/fm Trust
- e Approp trans ARRA

JoeAnn Slattery

JoeAnn Slattery 10-15-09

Form Prepared By

Departmental Authorized Signature

Phone #

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