



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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**Department Name:** District Attorney  
**Department No.:** 021  
**For Agenda Of:** June 28, 2022  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimated Time:**  
**Continued Item:** No  
**If Yes, date from:**  
**Vote Required:** Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Department Director Joyce E. Dudley, District Attorney, x82308  
Contact Info: Michael Soderman, Chief Financial & Administrative Officer,  
x82304  
**SUBJECT: California Victim Compensation Board Criminal Restitution Compact Grant  
Amendment, Fiscal Year 2022-2023**

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: N/A

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Adopt a Resolution authorizing the District Attorney to execute an Amendment to Agreement VC-9082 with the California Victim Compensation Board (CalVCB) to extend the Criminal Restitution Compact grant through Fiscal Year 2022-2023 in the total amount of \$96,373.00; and
- b) Determine that the above action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(4), because it consists of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities, which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

**Summary Text:**

This agreement with CalVCB enhances services provided to victims by the Santa Barbara County District Attorney's Office. The Victim of Violent Crimes (VVC) claims verification process enables victims to obtain financial recovery of losses experienced as a result of a violent crime from the State Victim Restitution Fund. The Criminal Restitution Compact helps the State maintain the integrity of this fund by maximizing recovery of restitution fines and penalties ordered and collected locally. A Resolution is required in order to authorize the District Attorney to execute this amendment to the agreement.

**Background:**

The Criminal Restitution Compact was initiated in January 2000 to assist the State Board Revenue Recovery and Appeals Division with improving the criminal restitution system. The State established contracts with various district attorney offices to maximize the recovery of criminal restitution fines, which provide for the reimbursement of victim losses incurred as a result of violent crimes. This amendment provides an additional allocation in the amount of \$96,373 for one additional fiscal year. These monies from CalVCB will continue to fund an existing 1.0 FTE Legal Office Professional Senior position to ensure that statutory restitution fines and penalty assessments are included in court orders.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: Yes. Revenues and appropriations are included in the Recommended FY 2022-2023 Budget.

**Fiscal Analysis:**

<b><u>Funding Sources</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2022-23</u></b>	<b><u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u></b>
General Fund		
State	\$ 96,373.00	\$ 96,373.00
Federal		
Fees		
Other:		
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 96,373.00</b>	<b>\$ 96,373.00</b>

The initial award from CalVCB was \$289,119 over a three-year period. This additional allocation will extend the grant by one additional year. The new total award from CalVCB is \$385,492, of which \$96,373 will be allocated to the fourth year of the grant. The Fiscal Year 2022-23 program budget of \$96,373 consists of \$87,000 in salary and benefit costs, which funds an existing 1.0 FTE Legal Office Professional Senior position, as well as \$9,373 in operating costs and overhead charges. Program expenses and revenue are budgeted in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Recommended budget.

**Staffing Impacts:**

The salary and benefits for 1.0 FTE Legal Office Professional Senior have been funded since the grant’s initiation in January 2000. This amendment will continue to fund this existing position for Fiscal Year 2022-23.

**Special Instructions:**

Please return the following documents to John DeAlba, DA Department Business Specialist:

1. Four (4) duplicate original fully-executed Resolutions; and
2. One (1) copy of fully-executed Resolution.

**Attachments:**

- A. Board Resolution
- B. Original Grant Agreement
- C. Fully Executed Amendment

**Authored by:**

John DeAlba, Department Business Specialist (x2434)