

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY  
BOARD AGENDA LETTER**



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**Agenda Number:**  
**Prepared on:** 3/27/02  
**Department Name:** District Attorney  
**Department No.:** 021  
**Agenda Date:** 4/16/02  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimate Time:**  
**Continued Item:** NO  
**If Yes, date from:**

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Thomas W. Sneddon, Jr.  
District Attorney

**STAFF CONTACT:** Marnie B. Pinsker  
District Attorney Assistant Director, x2304

**SUBJECT:** Adoption of Resolution Authorizing the District Attorney to renew the Agreement with the State for the Restitution and Recovery Program

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**Recommendation(s):**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Adopt a Resolution authorizing the District Attorney's Office to continue contracting with the State Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board for the Restitution and Recovery Program.

**Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:**

The recommendation(s) are primarily aligned with actions required by law or by routine business necessity.

**Executive Summary and Discussion:**

This resolution authorizes continuation of the Restitution and Recovery Program, which was initiated in January 2000 to assist the State Board Revenue Recovery Quality Assurance Division (formerly State Board of Control). The State has established contracts with various District Attorney Offices to maximize the recovery of criminal restitution fines, which finances the Victim Restitution Fund that reimburses victim losses incurred as a result of a violent crime. This contract will provide \$170,930 to continue funding two paralegal positions to ensure that statutory restitution fines and penalty assessments are included in court orders and to monitor restitution payments to replenish the fund.

**Mandates and Service Levels:**

While not a mandated program, the Restitution and Recovery Team will assist the State to maintain the integrity of the Victim Restitution Fund by maximizing recovery of restitution fines and penalties.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

The agreement will fully reimburse the \$131,155 in salary & benefit costs for the two paralegal positions, \$24,855 in overhead charges, and \$14,9200 in operating costs. Program expenditures and revenues are incorporated in the FY 02-03 budget.

**Special Instructions:** Please return executed resolution to Marnie Pinsker, District Attorney's Office