



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

AGENDA ITEM NO.
C-11

For the meeting of: December 6, 2016

Date: November 1, 2016
To: Board of Supervisors
From: Maggie Fleming, District Attorney *M. Fleming*
Subject: Grant Award for Fiscal Year (FY) 2016-17 Automobile Insurance Fraud Program

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Adopt the attached Resolution accepting the Grant Award from the State of California for the Automobile Insurance Fraud Program FY 2016-17 ;
2. Approve the attached supplemental budget in Fund 1100, Budget Unit 205, District Attorney (4/5 vote);
3. Direct the Clerk of the Board to process and return the Resolution to the District Attorney's Office, attention Rachelle Davis, for further processing and submission to the State; and
4. Direct the Clerk of the Board to provide the attached supplemental budget to the Auditor-Controller's Office, if approved.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

State of California, Department of Insurance and the General Fund

DISCUSSION:

The Office of the District Attorney (DA) has received notification of grant funding through the State of

Prepared by : Rachelle Davis

CAO Approval *Cheryl Dillingham*

REVIEW:	Auditor <i>WJM</i>	County Counsel _____	Personnel _____	Risk Manager _____	Other _____
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TYPE OF ITEM:

Consent

Departmental

Public Hearing

Other _____

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
 Upon motion of Supervisor *Fennell*
 Seconded by Supervisor *Bass*
 And unanimously carried by those members present,
 The Board hereby adopts the recommended action
 contained in this report.

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No. C-11

Dated: *Dec. 6, 2016*
Kathy Hayes, Clerk of the Board

Meeting of: December 15, 2015

By: *Ann Hunsberr*

California – Department of Insurance, for the period July 1st 2016 through June 30th 2017, to continue the Automobile Insurance Fraud Program in the amount of \$70,600.

This is the seventh year the District Attorney has participated in this program. The funds will be used locally to continue to fund a .50 extra help District Attorney Investigator and a .20 full time equivalent (FTE) Deputy District Attorney to investigate and prosecute all forms of claimant and premium fraud. Both Del Norte and Trinity County District Attorney's Offices have entered into an annual agreement for the duration of each fiscal year grant award with the Humboldt County District Attorney to develop a regional Insurance Fraud Unit. The resources here in Humboldt County will be available to investigate and prosecute automobile insurance fraud cases in those counties.

In addition, the Insurance Fraud Unit will provide information regarding what constitutes automobile insurance fraud and how to report it to the insurance companies that provide automobile insurance to the region and to the public.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Acceptance of the one year grant award will allow the District Attorney to be reimbursed up to a maximum of \$70,600 for services performed in accordance with the scope of work described in the grant for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. The anticipated grant award originally in the amount of \$60,000 for the FY 2016-17 was accepted and increased to \$70,600 by Insurance Fraud Unit. In acceptance of the grant award there is a supplemental amount of \$10,600. This will be used to supplement extra help, expert witness fees along with enhance staff development and training due to employee turnover. These funds will also be utilized for the expense of expert witness fees during prosecution and communication costs. The program will fund .70 FTE employees. Approval of this agenda item supports the Board's strategic framework by creating opportunities for improved public safety and providing community appropriate levels of service with the use of outside funding sources to benefit Humboldt County needs.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

State of California, Department of Insurance

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board may decide not to accept the grant award from the State of California, however, this is not recommended. Non acceptance of the grant award will cause a loss of revenue for the Humboldt County District Attorney's Office. This would leave the community, as well as, the region without an Automobile Insurance Fraud Investigator.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Grant Award Letter
2. Resolution
3. Supplemental Budget

cc: Auditor-Controller

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Certified copy of portion of proceedings, Meeting of December 6, 2016

RESOLUTION NO. 16-132

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RECEIPT OF FUNDING FROM THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 FOR THE AUTOMOTIVE INSURANCE FRAUD GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the County of Humboldt desires to undertake a certain program designated Automotive Insurance Fraud Program to be funded in part from funds made available through California Insurance Code Section 1872.8, California Code of Regulations, Title 10, Section 2698.60 *et seq.* and administered by the California Department of Insurance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the District Attorney of the Humboldt County District Attorney's Office is authorized, on its behalf, to submit the attached proposal to the California Department of Insurance and is authorized to execute on behalf of the Board of Supervisors the attached Grant Award Agreement including any extensions or amendments thereof; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the grant funds received hereunder shall not be used to supplant expenditures controlled by this body.

Dated: December 6, 2016



MARK LOVELACE, Chair
Humboldt County Board of Supervisors


Adopted on motion by Supervisor Fennell, seconded by Supervisor Bass, and the following vote:

AYES: Supervisors Sundberg, Fennell, Lovelace, Bohn, Bass
NAYS: Supervisors --
ABSENT: Supervisors --
ABSTAIN: Supervisors --

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
County of Humboldt)

I, KATHY HAYES, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, County of Humboldt, State of California, do hereby certify the foregoing to be an original made in the above-entitled matter by said Board of Supervisors at a meeting held in Eureka, California.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said Board of Supervisors.



By BROOKE EBERHARDT
Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the
County of Humboldt, State of California

**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
FRAUD DIVISION**

**AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FRAUD PROGRAM
REQUEST-FOR-APPLICATION**

FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017

**SECTION III
APPLICATION**

Pursuant to Insurance Code Section 1872.8(b)(1)(D), the application for funding is a public document and may be subject to disclosure. However, information submitted to the California Department of Insurance concerning criminal investigations, whether active or inactive, is considered confidential.

**AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FRAUD
INVESTIGATION/PROSECUTION PROGRAMS
FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 GRANTS**

**Grant Application
Checklist and Sequence**

The Application MUST include the following:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
1. Is the Grant Application Transmittal sheet completed and signed by the district attorney? (Form 02)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Table of Contents	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Is the Program Contact Form completed? (Form 03)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Is an original or certified copy of the Board Resolution included? If NOT, the cover letter must indicate the submission date. (Form 04)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5. The County Plan includes:		
a) County Plan Qualifications (Form 05)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Staff Qualifications (Form 06(a))	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Organizational Chart (Form 06(b))		
d) Program Report (Form 07)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e) County Plan Problem Statement (Form 08)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f) County Plan Program Strategy (Form 09)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Is the projected Budget included? (Forms 10-12)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
a) Line-item totals are verified?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Is the Equipment Log completed and signed? (Form 13)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Joint Plan (Attachment A)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Case Descriptions (Attachment B)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

GRANT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL
for Fiscal Year 2016-2017

GRANT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

The Grant Application Transmittal is the cover page for the application. The official signing the face sheet for the applicant must be the district attorney for the county. The Grant Application Transmittal must also name the contact person who is designated to answer any questions about the proposed program.

1. Program Title: Automobile Insurance Fraud Program
2. Grant Period: July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017
3. Grant Amount: \$73,537.00
4. Estimated Carryover 0.00
5. Program Director: Wayne Cox
Chief Investigator
6. Financial Officer: Rachelle Davis
Legal Business Manager
7. Official Submitting Application: Maggie Fleming
District Attorney
County of Humboldt
825 5th Street
Eureka, CA 95501
(707) 445-7411

**DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
GRANT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

Office of the District Attorney, County of Humboldt hereby makes application for funds under the Automobile Insurance Fraud Program pursuant to Section 1872.8 of the California Insurance Code.

Contact: Wayne Cox, Chief Investigator

Address: 825 5th Street

Eureka, CA 95501

Telephone: (707) 268-2591

Automobile Insurance Fraud Program
Humboldt/Del Norte/Trinity Co.

July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017

(1) *Program Title*

(2) *Grant Period*

(3) New Funds Being Requested: \$ \$73,537.00

(4) Estimated Carryover Funds: \$ 0.00

Wayne Cox, Chief Investigator
(5) *Program Director*

Rachelle Davis
(6) *Financial Officer*

Maggie Fleming
(7) *District Attorney's Signature*

Name: Maggie Fleming

Title: District Attorney

County: Humboldt

Address: 825 5th Street

Eureka, CA 95501

Telephone: (707) 445-7411

Date: June 16, 2016

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**DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
PROGRAM CONTACT FORM**

1. Provide the name, title, address and telephone number of the person having day-to-day operational responsibility for the program, and who can be contacted with questions regarding the program.

Name: Wayne Cox

Title: Chief Investigator

Address: 825 5th St

Eureka, Ca. 95501

E-mail address: Wcox@co.humboldt.ca.us

Telephone Number: (707) 268-2591 Fax Number: (707) 445-7416

2. Provide the name, title, address and telephone number of the District Attorney's Financial Officer.

Name: Rachelle Davis

Title: Legal Business Manager

Address: 825 5th St.

Eureka, Ca. 95501

E-mail address: Rdavis@co.humboldt.ca.us

Telephone Number: (707) 268-2596 Fax Number: (707) 445-7416

3. Provide the name, title, address and telephone number of the person who may be contacted for questions regarding data collection/reporting for the applicant agency.

Name: Adam E. Jager

Title: District Attorney Investigator

Address: 825 5th Street

Eureka, CA 95501

E-mail address: Ajager@co.humboldt.ca.us

Telephone Number: (707) 268-2588 Fax Number: (707) 445-7416

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' RESOLUTION
for Fiscal Year 2016-2017

WHEREAS the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors desires to undertake a certain program designated Automotive Insurance Fraud Program to be funded in part from funds made available through California Insurance Code Section 1872.8, California Code of Regulations, Title 10, Section 2698.60 et. Seg. and administered by the California Department of Insurance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the District Attorney of the Humboldt County District Attorney's Office is authorized, on its behalf, to submit the attached proposal to the California Department of Insurance and is authorized to execute on behalf of the Board of Supervisors the attached Grant Award Agreement including any extensions or amendments thereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the grant funds received hereunder shall not be used to supplant expenditures controlled by this body.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors) in a meeting thereof held on July, 2016 by the following:

Vote 8.

Ayes: _____
Noes: _____
Absent: _____

Signature: 9. _____ Date: 10. _____

Typed Name and Title:

11. _____

ATTEST: Signature: 12. _____ Date: 13. _____

Typed Name and Title:

14. _____

AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FRAUD QUALIFICATIONS

1. What areas of your automobile insurance fraud operation were successful and why?

The Humboldt County District Attorney's Auto Insurance Fraud Unit has been actively pursuing auto insurance fraud matters in Humboldt, Del Norte and Trinity Counties since the Unit's conception in 2009. The Auto Insurance Fraud Unit, covering the three counties, is currently funded for, and consists of, a one-half time investigator and a part time assigned Deputy District Attorney. Over the past seven years of operation, a total of 203 cases have been referred for investigation.

Since 2009, a great effort has been made to increase cooperation with the various law enforcement and fire agencies within the three joint counties. The efforts have paid off immensely, resulting in a dramatic increase of agency cooperation primarily in Humboldt and Del Norte Counties where the bulk of the incidents occur and the most time is concentrated on auto insurance fraud investigations.

The California Highway Patrol (CHP), which handles the initial investigation for the majority of auto related insurance fraud incidents, has on several occasions reported suspected auto insurance fraud cases directly to our Unit's auto fraud investigator. Our current working relationship with the CHP has proven to have increased our success rate in mutual interest cases found to be worthy of filing. In the past few years our mutual interest caseloads have increased substantially, believed due in part to the increased awareness of auto insurance fraud, as well as the Humboldt County District Attorney's increased involvement in auto fraud cases, supported by the Department of Insurance Auto Fraud Grant Program.

One of the tools the Fraud Unit has utilized to increase the cooperation with the CHP was to offer shift/squad training on recognition and awareness of typical auto insurance fraud incidents experienced in the local areas. To achieve this, the Fraud Unit developed an auto insurance fraud power-point presentation, which has proven to be very informative for first responders in detecting potential auto fraud cases.

Since January of 2012, Auto Insurance Fraud Investigator Silva has had several incidents where arson was the major contributing factor to the auto insurance fraud loss. Investigator Silva had been working closely with the jurisdictional fire and law enforcement agencies responsible for the preliminary fire investigations to improve their investigative skills in arson/fraud awareness and identification. One of the methods he used for educating the agencies was sharing several "Field Fire Investigation Worksheets" he developed over his 44 year career in both fire and law enforcement.

However, Investigator Silva retired from his investigator position with the Humboldt County District Attorney's Office at the end of July 2015. Investigator Martin Morris was temporary assigned auto fraud investigations until a replacement investigator was hired in January of 2016.

Since February 2015, Deputy District Attorney Jessica Watson has been assigned to oversee the review and filing of all Auto Insurance Fraud cases within the three counties represented. The joint agency agreements have been successful in providing consistency to the program and a common force for fraud prosecution. Since her appointment, there has been a highly noticeable improvement in the review and filing process of the auto insurance fraud cases submitted. DDA Watson has proven to be an effective and efficient asset to the Humboldt County District Attorney's Fraud Unit.

2. Specify what unfunded contributions (i.e., financial, equipment, personnel and technology) and support your county provided to the automobile insurance fraud program.

The Humboldt County District Attorney's Office provides the following contributions to the Automobile Insurance Fraud program:

- A part time Deputy District Attorney,
- Automobile, equipped with emergency law enforcement communications, portable radio and law enforcement dispatch communications services connecting to all local law enforcement agencies in the three counties.
- Duty firearm, Tactical Firearm, ammunition, mandated P.O.S.T. firearm training and training for law enforcement perishable skills.
- Office space, telephone and desk top computer, copy/ FAX and related office machinery, office and investigative supplies.
- IT support, office assistance.
- Law enforcement personnel assistance for interviews, interrogation, subpoena service, search warrant and arrest.

The Del Norte County District Attorney's Office provides:

- Office space, clerical assistance,
- Investigative assistance for search warrants and arrest, as well as legal assistance for cases that are being prosecuted in Del Norte County.

The Trinity County District Attorney's Office provides:

- Office space, as well as legal assistance for cases being prosecuted in Trinity County.
- Investigative assistance for search warrants and arrest, as well as legal assistance for cases that are being prosecuted in Trinity County.

3. Detail and explain the turnover or continuity of personnel assigned to your automobile insurance fraud program. Include any rotational policies your county may have.

The Fraud Unit's goal is to maintain long-term investigative personnel in order to maintain continuity within the program. District Attorney Maggie Fleming took office in 2015 and soon thereafter reorganized the DA's Office in order to improve efficiency, as well as effectiveness. In February 2015, Deputy District Attorney Jessica Watson was assigned to the auto insurance fraud program and is responsible for reviewing and filing charges for prosecution. Deputy District Attorney Watson is an enthusiastic attorney, dedicated to the success of the program. She is well versed in the laws associated with insurance fraud and in the since her new assignment, she has proven to be a great choice for the automobile fraud program.

In January 2016, Investigator Adam Jager was hired and assigned to the Fraud Unit. Investigator Jager retired from the California Highway Patrol (CHP) after a 31 year career in law enforcement. Since 2007, Investigator Jager served as the Commander of the Humboldt and Garberville Area CHP offices within Humboldt County. Before being a commander, he was a field supervisor for six years. He was assigned four years with the Humboldt County Drug Task Force and worked as a vehicle theft investigator assigned to a joint task force with the Los Angeles Police Department. Investigator Jager will be a great asset to the auto fraud program and has connections with local law enforcement agencies which will enhance the Automobile Fraud Program in the 2016/2017 Grant cycle.

Since his assignment in January 2016, he has opened several local automobile fraud cases referred from California Department of Insurance. One case came directly from the Humboldt CHP office and is a significant case involving the false reporting of a stolen rental vehicle, and a three car hit and run collision in the city of Eureka. In addition, the Fraud Unit adopted a case of a local automobile body shop that has been committing fraud. There are several new cases opened that will be forwarded for filing and prosecution in the next grant cycle.

With the goal of continuity and consistency in mind within the Fraud Unit, there is no current rotational policy in place regarding the investigator position. However, DA Fleming has expressed a desire to rotate Deputy District Attorney's through the fraud unit approximately every two to three years in order to best round out the skills and experience within the DA's office.

4. List the governmental agencies you have worked with to develop potential automobile insurance fraud cases.

The investigator assigned to this position has worked with the following investigative agencies and supervisors:

- California Department of Insurance - Fraud Division (Benicia office);
- California Highway Patrol – Humboldt County
- California Highway Patrol – Del Norte County
- California Highway Patrol – Trinity County

- Humboldt County Drug Task Force,
- Humboldt County Sheriff's Department
- Humboldt County Probation
- Del Norte County Sheriff's Department
- Del Norte County Probation
- Del Norte County District Attorney's Office
- Trinity County Sheriff's Department
- Trinity County Probation Department
- Trinity County District Attorney's Office,
- Fortuna Police Department
- Eureka Police Department
- Arcata Police Department
- Rio Dell Police Department
- Ferndale Police Department

5. Was there a distribution of frozen assets in the current reporting period? If yes, please describe. If no, state none.

None.

QUALIFICATIONS

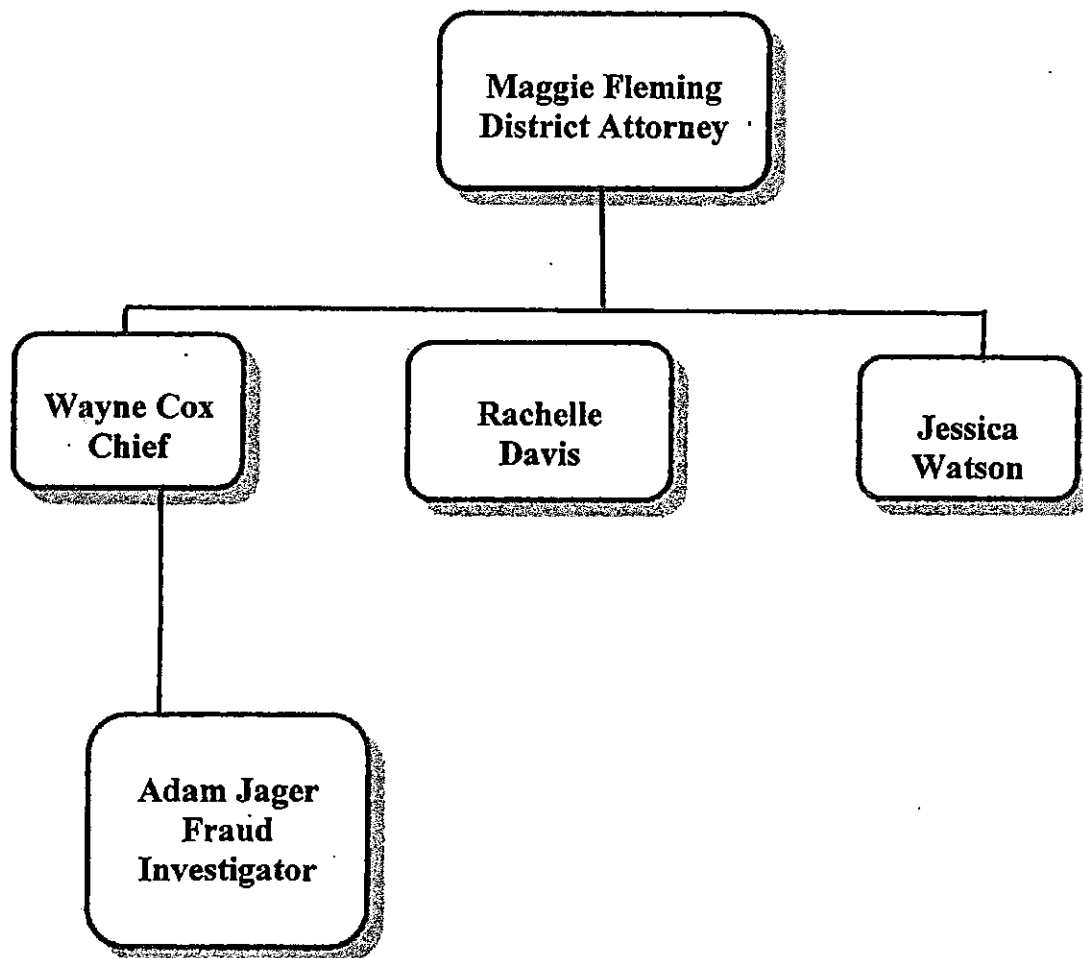
List the name of the program's prosecutor(s) and investigator(s). Include position titles and percentages for any vacant positions to be filled. For each, list:

1. The percentage of time devoted to the program
2. How long the prosecutor(s)/investigator(s) have been with the program

Prosecutors	% Time	Time With Program Start Date/End Date
Jessica Watson	20% of Time	February 1, 2015 – To Date

Investigators	% Time	Time With Program Start Date/End Date
Adam E. Jager	100% of ½ Time Funded Position	January 4, 2016 – To Date
Martin Morris	½ Time	Aug. 1, 2015 to Dec. 31, 2015
Joe Silva	100% of ½ Time	July 1, 2014 to July 31, 2015

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART
Humboldt County District Attorney



FORM 07

**QUALIFICATIONS
PROGRAM REPORT**

Program Report Attached

**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE - FRAUD DIVISION
 AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FRAUD PROGRAM**

Submitted: Not Submitted

Version #: 1

FISCAL YEAR: 2015-16 From (7/1/15 to 06/15/16)

PROGRAM REPORT FOR: HUMBOLDT COUNTY

I. Number of Suspected Fraud Claims Reviewed from 7/1/15 through 06/15/16	45
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II. DOCUMENTED CASE REFERRALS SOURCES	PENDING	ACCEPTED	REJECTED	APPLICANT CASES	NON-APPLICANT CASES
A. CDI - Fraud Division	23	31	12	0	
B. Private Carrier					
C. Local Law Enforcement		1			
D. Third Party Administrator					
E. Others					
F. Total (A-E)	23	32	12	0	0

III. INVESTIGATIONS - PRE FILING DECISIONS	CASES	SUSPECTS
A. Number of cases and suspects carried forward on 6/30/15 to FY 15/16	13	15
B. Number of NEW cases and suspects initiated from 7/1/15 through 06/15/16	32	34
C. Total Cases/Suspect (A+B)	45	49
1. Declinations - Rejections	12	12
2. Number of CDI Joint Investigations (from A & B)		
D. Investigative Assist(s)		
1. Number TO outside agency		
2. Number FROM an outside agency	2	2
E. Number of unassisted investigations by District Attorney	45	49

III. INVESTIGATIONS - PRE FILING DECISIONS CONTINUED					
F. Case Investigations by Categories and Complexities	STANDARD	MEDIUM	COMPLEX	VERY COMPLEX	TOTAL CASES
1. Applicant Fraud	14	23	1		38
2. Fraud Ring					
3. Staged Accident		1			1
4. Capping					
5. Medical Provider Fraud					
6. Insider Fraud			2		2
7. Economic Car Theft		4			4
8. Legal Office Fraud					
9. Other					
Total (1-9)	14	28	3		45

IV. ARRESTS THIS REPORTING PERIOD	CASES	DEFENDANTS
A. Arrests by District Attorney - Felony	0	0
B. Arrests by CDI - Felony		
C. Arrest by joint effort CDI / DA - Felony		
D. Arrest by other - Felony		
E. Total (A - D) - Felony	0	0
F. Arrests by District Attorney - Misdemeanor		
G. Arrests by CDI - Misdemeanor		
H. Arrest by joint effort CDI / DA - Misdemeanor		
I. Arrest by other -Misdemeanor		
J. Total (F- I) - Misdemeanor	0	0
K. Total (E+J) - Felonies and Misdemeanors	0	0

V. CASES IN COURT							
A. Cases carried forward on 6/30/15 to FY 15/16 by Categories and Complexities	STANDARD	MEDIUM	COMPLEX	VERY COMPLEX	TOTAL CASES	TOTAL DEFENDANTS	TOTAL CHARGEABLE FRAUD (in dollars)
1. Applicant Fraud		3			3	4	\$12,880
2. Fraud Ring							
3. Staged Accident							
4. Capping							
5. Medical Provider Fraud							
6. Insider Fraud							
7. Economic Car Theft							
8. Legal Office Fraud							
9. Other							

V. CASES IN COURT (CONTINUED)

New Case filings/indictments initiated 7/1/15 through 06/15/16 by Categories and Complexities	STANDARD	MEDIUM	COMPLEX	VERY COMPLEX	TOTAL CASES	TOTAL DEFENDANTS	TOTAL CHARGEABLE FRAUD (in dollars)
1. Applicant Fraud							
2. Fraud Ring							
3. Staged Accident							
4. Capping							
5. Medical Provider Fraud							
6. Insider Fraud							
7. Economic Car Theft							
8. Legal Office Fraud							
9. Other							
Total Cases in Court - Categories and Complexities (A+B)	STANDARD	MEDIUM	COMPLEX	VERY COMPLEX	TOTAL CASES	TOTAL DEFENDANTS	TOTAL CHARGEABLE FRAUD (in dollars)
1. Applicant Fraud		3			3	4	\$12,880
2. Fraud Ring							
3. Staged Accident							
4. Capping							
5. Medical Provider Fraud							
6. Insider Fraud							
7. Economic Car Theft							
8. Legal Office Fraud							
9. Other							
10. Total Cases in Court from (C)		3			3	4	\$12,880

V. CASES IN COURT (CONTINUED)

D TOTAL CASES BY FILING CLASSIFICATION			
	CASES	DEFENDANTS	
1. Felony Cases from (C)			
2. Misdemeanor Cases from (C)			
3. Civil Cases from (C)			
E COURT PROCEEDINGS			
	CASES	DEFENDANTS	MOTIONS / HEARINGS
1. Number of Preliminary Hearings	1	1	
2. Number Held to Answer			
3. Number of Grand Jury Indictments	2	2	
4. Number of Motions requiring a response			0
5. Number of Court Hearings			30

VI. FELONY DISPOSITIONS		CASES	DEFENDANTS
A. Convictions		0	0
1. Pled Guilty / No Contest			
2. Number of Convictions by Trial			
B. Sentences			
1. State Prison Imposed			
2. County Jail Imposed			
3. Probation, no Jail Imposed			
C. Reduction to Misdemeanor			2
D. Municipal Court Dismissals			
E. Superior Court Dismissals			
		AMOUNT ORDERED	AMOUNT COLLECTED *
F. Amount of Fines & Penalty Assessments		\$1,739	
G. Amount of Restitution		\$7,267	

*Amount collected from all cases during the fiscal year.

VII. MISDEMEANOR - DISPOSITIONS	CASES	DEFENDANTS
A. Convictions	3	3
1. Pled Guilty / No Contest	3	3
2. Convicted by Trial		
B. Sentences		
1. County Jail Imposed		2
2. Probation, no Jail Imposed		
C. Dismissals		
	AMOUNT ORDERED	AMOUNT COLLECTED *
D. Amount of Fines & Penalty Assessments	\$1,739	
E. Amount of Restitution	\$7,667	

VIII. CIVIL CASES	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER OF JUDGMENTS
A. Cases carried forward on 6/30/15 to FY 15/16	0	
B. New Cases filed this reporting period from 7/1/15 through 06/15/16	0	
C. Total Cases (A+B)	0	
D. Cases Concluded this reporting period.	0	0
E. Judgments	AMOUNT ORDERED	AMOUNT COLLECTED *
1. Restitution		
2. Fines and Penalties		
3. Costs		

IX. SEARCH WARRANTS	NUMBER	SUSPECTS	LOCATIONS
A. Total Search Warrants Issued	1	1	1
B. Special Master Search Warrants			

X. OUTREACH TRAINING	NUMBER		
A. Number of training sessions	5		
B. Total Number of trainees	7		

CONVICTION INFORMATION COUNTY: HUMBOLDT

CASE #	DEFENDANT'S	ROLE	DATE OF CONVICTION	CONVICTION TYPE		ESTIMATED CHARGEABLE FRAUD (\$)	COURT	COUNTY JAIL (days)	PRISON (months)	PROBATION (months)	COMMUNITY SERVICE (hours)	OTHERS	TOTAL ACQUITTALS	TOTAL DISMISSALS	ASSETS FROZEN (\$)	RESTITUTION ORDERED (\$)	CIVIL FINE (\$)	CRIMINAL FINE (\$)	VICTIM NAMES	REFERRAL SOURCE	DOA NAME
				FELONY (X)	MISDEMEANOR (X)																
CR1801414	Bynum, Jonathan Guy	A	06/16/16	X	PC 650(b)(2)	1379	Humboldt Superior	0	0	36	0	Fines, Fees	0	1		\$500		\$704	Progressive Insurance	A	Watson
CR1001332	Depute, Randy Bryan	A	07/23/15	X	PC 550(b)(c1)	3763	Humboldt Superior	1	0	24	0	Fines and fees	0	2		\$500		\$965	Unifirm Kenper	A	Watson
CR1302609	Tipp, David Bryan	A	04/15/16	X	PC 594(b)(2)(a)	1900	Humboldt Superior	1	0	12	0	Fine, restitution	0	3		\$947		\$70	Progressive Insurance	A	Watson
FY (2015-16) Sub Total				0	3																
TOTAL				0	3	7970									\$0	\$1,847	\$0	\$1,739			

Insert appropriate letter "Role":		** Referral Sources	
Applicant Fraud	A	COI - Fraud Division	A
Fraud Ring	B	Private Carrier	B
Staged Accident	C	Local Law Enforcement	C
Clipping	D	Third Party Administrator	D
Medical provider Fraud	E	Other	E
Insider Fraud	F		
Economic Car Theft	G		
Legal Office Fraud	H		
Other	I		

PROBLEM STATEMENT

FORM 08

COUNTY PLAN PROBLEM STATEMENT

Please describe the types and magnitude of automobile insurance fraud (e.g., applicant, medical/legal provider, staged collisions, insider fraud, insurer fraud, economic vehicle theft, fraud ring, and capping) relative to the extent of the problem specific to your county. Please use local data or other evidence to support your description.

Auto Insurance Fraud Problem:

The Humboldt County District Attorney's Office Automobile Insurance Fraud Unit operates in an extremely rural multi-county regional area consisting of Humboldt, Del Norte and Trinity Counties. The combined population of the three counties is approximately 176,109 people, with a combined area of over 8,400 square miles. The unemployment rate for the three counties is estimated at 5.30 to 8.60. The geographical area of the three counties is best described as: from the Oregon border on the north, to approximately 30 miles north of Laytonville (Mendocino County) to the south; and from the Pacific Ocean to the west, to Whiskeytown recreational area on the east (Shasta County Line). The largest and most populated county in the tri-county area is Humboldt County (estimated population 135,727).

All of the communities within the covered areas suffer from severe socioeconomic problems. The past leading job providers in the three counties had traditionally been lumber production, followed by fishing. Both of these industries are for all intents and purposes defunct. Additionally, the economies within the tri-county region are primarily underwritten by "gray money," from the illegal growing, processing, and sales of marijuana. Cash is generated and circulated indirectly through the economy; however no direct taxable revenue goes to the cities, counties or state. A by-product of the marijuana industry is the associated crime and violence which accompanies the large amounts of cash generated in this underground economy, as well as the influx of other drugs to include Methamphetamine, Heroin and Cocaine. With the state, county, and city budgets for law enforcement continuously being reduced, coupled with state prison reform and early state inmate releases, criminal investigations are prioritized with violent crimes against persons taking priority position for investigation and prosecution. So in essence, as the hard working, taxpaying residents left the county due to lack of employment, a vacuum was caused by the demands for so called medical and/or recreational marijuana filling the void. While school populations dropped due to traditional families leaving the area; burglaries, theft, robberies and domestic violence increased with the influx of those desiring to make money in the newly established marijuana cultivation industry. Add to this the ever growing Indian gaming/gambling and the result, an increased element of individuals looking for means of financial stability or gain, and in turn an increase in various insurance fraud claims, to include auto insurance.

Prior to this Grant program being implemented, automobile insurance fraud cases were not consistently investigated or in most cases non-existent by local police agencies, including the CHP.

In discussing the issue with local CHP officers, we were told that when the CHP had experienced a suspected fraudulent vehicle theft, they would tell the reporting party that they would take the report of the stolen vehicle, but would not investigate the activity if the case appeared to be an obvious fraud. On the other hand, local jurisdictional law enforcement agencies would not investigate a vehicle fraud case claiming since it was auto related, it was the responsibility of the CHP.

With the Automobile Insurance Fraud Unit actively investigating these incidents and cases being filed with the courts, (as well as the added insurance fraud awareness training and outreach provided), the response of the local police agencies has dramatically changed for the better. Suspicious cases are now referred to the Fraud Unit for additional investigation and many fraud suspects are being held accountable for their actions.

The primary types of cases being referred to the Tri-County Fraud Unit from the SIU units of the various automobile insurance companies are as follows:

- Individuals claiming that their vehicles were stolen and later recovered with major damage; stripped, wrecked or burned. This type of economic theft crimes are reflected in the general down turn of the economy as people are not able to make their payments or need cash and find it easier to destroy the automobile and report it as stolen, while relying on the insurance companies to pay out the exaggerated or inflated loss. Unfortunately these cases are seldom able to be proven beyond a "reasonable doubt" primarily because there were no witnesses, or physical evidence was not properly collected to aid the investigation or to merit the filing of criminal charges for fraud. The only hope for justice in these types of claims, is for the insurance company to deny the claim based on the evidence, and if the case continues, it would now be a civil matter where the burden of proof is much lesser.
- The second predominate type of fraudulent claim consist of; the claimant does not have automobile insurance (or the insurance policy has lapsed due to lack of payment). While the vehicle was uninsured the claimant's vehicle was involved in an accident or sustained damage; Shortly after the incident, the owner then attempts to reinstate his/her lapsed policy (or obtains a new policy); then a short time after the policy is reinstated, the insured submits a claim for the incident, providing a fraudulent date and/or time of loss, claiming the accident/incident occurred after obtaining or renewing the insurance policy. In some cases the insured may have too high of a deductible for the loss and attempt to lower the policy deductible prior to submitting a claim.
- A third type of commonly experienced claim is when the driver of the vehicle is under the influence of a alcohol and/or a controlled substance and gets involved in a single vehicle accident. The driver flees the scene of the accident to avoid getting caught and after arriving home dials 9-1-1 to report his/her vehicle as stolen. After the damaged vehicle has been reported or recovered by law enforcement, the insured driver follows up by notifying their insurance company that the vehicle was stolen and recovered with damage. (Note: this is the typical CHP involved auto insurance fraud case and the case is usually investigated and charged as a "Hit & Run" and/or filing of a false report)

Since 2009, the investigator for the Auto Insurance Fraud Unit has been meeting with local law enforcement officers in each of the three geographic areas. The results have shown to have paid

off by the increased communications, as well as an increase in suspected auto fraud reports received directly from those officers. Additionally, early notification of suspected insurance fraud to the automobile fraud investigator has greatly assisted in the timely investigation and collection of evidence, witness identification and availability for investigative interviews.

Outreach:

Since formation of the Tri-County Automobile Insurance Fraud Unit, outreach and awareness to the local public has been provided through a variety of outlets, to include:

- Presentations and informative meetings have been conducted with several local insurance companies, while providing opportunities to distribute Automobile Insurance Fraud Unit brochures and business cards to supervisors and agents.

There has been efforts to persuade local insurance providers to inspect all used vehicles for pre-existing damage when the owner is applying for a new policy, renewing a lapsed policy, or suspiciously lowering his/her deductible, in order to prevent or reduce auto insurance fraud claims and the loss associated with fraudulent claims. In addition, he believes there is substantial evidence to conclude that by pre-inspecting all used vehicles within the three listed categories, the insurance company would reduce the potential payout of fraudulent claims and therefore be able to reduce insurance premiums and be more competitive in the open insurance market.

- Training has been provided to local CHP officers through shift/squad briefings and quarterly training events. Investigator Silva developed a PowerPoint presentation and has conducted several training sessions with CHP Field Offices in Humboldt, Del Norte and Trinity Counties. This will continue with newly assigned Investigator Jager. The outreach program has helped the agency to promote early recognition of automobile insurance fraud, as well as awareness of the assistance offered by the tri-county Fraud Unit. The presentations have been well received and will be a major outreach tool in the coming fiscal year as well.
- Administration of Justice Course – College of the Redwoods: Over the past two years, Investigator Silva has been invited to speak and make presentations on “Automobile Insurance Fraud” to the students studying Administration of Justice at the local junior college in Humboldt County. The presentations have been well received and will be an ongoing asset to the course in the future.
- Hoopa Tribal Council Presentation: Over the past two years the Hoopa Valley Tribal Council has requested the assistance of the Humboldt County District Attorney’s Office Fraud Unit to investigate and combat the ever increasing arson problem on the Hoopa Valley Tribal lands. These opportunities allowed for presentations on arson, as well as the activity of the Tri-County Auto Insurance Fraud Unit offered by the Humboldt County District Attorney’s Office.
- Effective outreach has been achieved by the distribution of Automobile Fraud Investigation Unit brochures, promoting enhanced public awareness of the program. Public service announcements are soon to be disseminated targeting local radio stations in Humboldt, Del Norte, and Trinity Counties. See Attached scanned copy of brochure.

On-going Investigations:

Currently the Automobile Fraud Unit is backlogged with approximately 36 active cases in various phases of investigation. Five are currently proceeding through the court process, two in Del Norte County and three in Humboldt County. **See attachment B for opened/pending suspected automobile fraud cases.**

PROGRAM STRATEGY
for Fiscal Year 2016-2017

FORM 09

1. **What are your plans to meet any announced goals of the Insurance Commissioner? If these goals are not realistic for your county, please state why they are not, and what goals you can achieve? What is your strategic plan to accomplish the goals?**

In looking at the types of cases that have been commonly received in the past four years, it is essential that law enforcement officers who are making initial contact with a possible insurance fraud suspect have a working knowledge of the signs of insurance fraud. The 2016-2017 operational plan calls for more outreach and one on one training with field officers, as well as classroom training for responding emergency fire and law enforcement personnel.

In order to meet the goals of the Insurance Commissioner, this department plans to implement the following:

- Produce a series of press releases, Public Service Announcements, and possible local television spots describing what constitutes auto insurance fraud, and what the consequences are, to include the overall impact of auto insurance fraud on the cost of insurance premiums within the State of California.
- Continue to update the current auto insurance fraud brochure and distribute it to additional local insurance companies and local DMV offices within the three counties served.
- Make presentations to student driving schools and student drivers regarding the high cost and consequences of not having insurance or submitting fraudulent auto insurance claims.

Within the limited resources available to the Fraud Unit, the unit has developed innovative strategies and tactics to meet the diverse needs of the three counties. As a result, DDA Watson was cross deputized in Del Norte and Trinity Counties. The benefits of having one investigator and one attorney assigned to these cases in all three counties cannot be overstated. In the past, the investigator assigned to the fraud unit would travel 95 miles to Del Norte County and 125 miles to Trinity County and present cases for filing to whichever deputy district attorney was available. Both Del Norte County and Trinity County District Attorney's Offices have been struggling with a decrease in resources and did not have the ability to assign one attorney to handle insurance fraud cases. Not all deputy district attorneys had the same interest or experience in insurance fraud cases, most viewing these types of cases as tedious and undesirable, particularly when confronted with increased workloads, rising violent criminal activity and decreased staff assistance. DDA Watson, with the legal authority to file and prosecute cases in each of the three counties, has the ability to streamline the process, making it more efficient, while providing prosecutorial consistency to the program.

An additional problem is that there was no mechanism for case tracking or obtaining statistical data within the Del Norte County District Attorney's office or the Trinity County District Attorney's Office. Since there was no way to obtain or track cases and court appearances, this data was difficult to capture in the statistical portion of past years Grant. With the assigning of one deputy district attorney to handle auto insurance fraud cases in all three counties, from charging to final adjudication, a complete statistical record will be feasible to maintain. These statistics will be included in all future Grant statistics.

And finally, with the ever increasing demand on the Fraud Unit, and the limited time, funding and required great distances of travel, cases are currently "triaged" in order to determine which cases will receive further investigation and/or have the most likelihood of successful prosecution. In order to fully meet the goals of the Insurance Commissioner, we are in need of additional funding for additional staffing, primarily in the Auto Insurance Fraud section. Currently, the program is funded for one half-time position working 960 hours annually. The Humboldt County District Attorney's Office is appreciative of the Grant funding received to date, but the workload and distance of coverage is overwhelming and impossible to serve with only 960 hours of investigative services. As such, increased funding for an additional one-half time Investigator would provide the needed investigative staff necessary for the expected workload so that the Unit can best serve the community as well as meet the Insurance Commissioner's goals.

When Investigator Jager was assigned to the Fraud Unit, he started with a backlog of past years cases. To this date, with the continuous increase in new cases (23), that backlog has not been cleared. The end result is that many cases are not devoted the time and resources necessary for full or thorough investigations and many cases are passed over due to the lack of time, insufficient evidence or witnesses and/or statute of limitations running out.

2. What goals do you have that require more than a single year to accomplish?

The Humboldt County District Attorney's Office Insurance Fraud Unit is continuing to partner with Del Norte and Trinity Counties in the investigation and prosecution of insurance fraud cases and to that end will attempt to comply with any and all goals set forth by the Insurance Commissioner. We will continue to perfect our tracking and monitoring process to ensure accurate information for audit purposes and to improve communications and training with the distant allied agencies. Additionally we will continue to build a stronger relationship with law enforcement agencies in Humboldt, Del Norte and Trinity Counties.

It is our goal to receive additional funding in the future allowing for the addition of a second half-time investigator. With two half-time "Extra Help" positions, the associated costs will be minimal since the investigators can work opposite shifts and share a vehicle, office space and office hardware, supplies and support staff. Additionally, as previously retired peace officers, they do not require the additional cost of health insurance benefits.

With an additional Auto Insurance Fraud Investigator, the Fraud Unit will be more effective and successful in fulfilling the goals of the Insurance Commissioner within the three counties served.

3. Training and Outreach

- List the training received by each county staff member in the automobile fraud unit during fiscal years 2014-2015 and 2015-2016.
- Describe what kind of training/outreach you provided in Fiscal Year 2015-2016 to local Special Investigative Units, public and private sectors to enhance the investigation and prosecution of automobile insurance fraud; and/or coordination with the Fraud Division, insurers, or other entities.
- Describe what kind of training/outreach you plan to provide in Fiscal Year 2016-2017 to local Special Investigation and prosecution of automobile insurance fraud; and/or coordination with the Fraud Division, insurers or other entities.

Investigator Jager and DDA Watson have experience dealing with the criminal activities associated with insurance fraud cases. Both are looking forward to attending future training courses provided by the Department of Insurance, and the California District Attorneys Association, in order to enhance their skill level and success in prosecuting insurance fraud cases.

Investigator Jager has been in law enforcement for over 31 years. He started his career at the Eureka Police Department in 1985, joined the CHP in 1986, started his career in East Los Angeles and worked a vehicle theft task force with the Los Angeles Police Department. He worked 4 years as an investigator with the Humboldt County Drug Task Force, a total of 10 years on road patrol, 2 years in an administrative position, 2 years as a background investigator, 5 years as a field supervisor and 7 years as a Commander.

Investigators Silva and Jager and DDA Watson attended the following training courses during the fiscal years 2015/2016:

Investigator Silva:

- Attended several P.O.S.T. accredited law enforcement training courses
- Continuous Arson/fire investigation training with the Humboldt County Arson Task Force
- Attended 2015- Anti Fraud Conferences in Monterey, CA.
- Attended the August 2015 FBI Post Blast Investigation Training held in Humboldt County

Investigator Jager:

- Attended P.O.S.T. Perishable skills training at College of the Redwoods, 2016
- Attended NICB Special Investigations Academy Basic Track, 2016

DDA Watson:

- Attended the new Prosecutor Seminar,

- Attended 26th Annual Anti Fraud Conference, 2015
- Attended Fraud Symposium, 2015

Investigator Silva has also provided training concerning Auto Insurance Fraud investigation and awareness to the following:

- Humboldt County Arson Task Force
- California Highway Patrol – Humboldt County
- California Highway Patrol – Del Norte County
- Del Norte County District Attorney’s Office
- Administration of Justice Students at College of the Redwoods
- Local auto insurance company representatives.
- Local auto body repair shops

Regarding training/outreach planned to be provided in Fiscal Year 2016-2017, the Auto Fraud Unit will provide additional auto fraud awareness/investigation training to police agencies and fire investigators of the Humboldt County Arson Task Force, as well as the Del Norte County Arson Task Force. Additionally, Investigator Jager will provide fraud investigation training to local law enforcement officers with responsibilities in auto theft recovery and collision investigations.

Concerning outreach, the Tri-County Fraud Unit is also planning to expand the distribution of their Insurance Fraud brochures to include: Additional local insurance company field offices, DMV offices, Driver’s Ed classes and auto body repair shops.

5. Describe the county’s efforts and the District Attorney’s plan to obtain restitution and fines imposed by the court to the Automobile Fraud Account.

The Humboldt County District Attorney’s Office actively pursues the recovery of restitution and fines on all applicable auto fraud cases. Humboldt County District Attorney’s office crafted standard language for future plea agreements that adds an additional fee of \$500 - \$2,500 on each case with a negotiated disposition, which will be paid directly to the Automobile Fraud Account.

6. Identify the performance objectives that the county would consider attainable and would have a significant impact in reducing automobile insurance fraud.

With the currently funded staffing level (one half-time investigator working 960 hours annually) and the vast distance of travel between the three rural counties, it is projected that approximately 10-12 cases a year will be processed for adjudication. Of the remaining cases, 10-12 will be rejected due to lack of evidence or witnesses to prove beyond reasonable doubt. That leaves the

remaining 25 – 30 cases to lag behind or in some case run out of time in the statute of limitations for prosecution. Therefore, to meet our performance objectives it is necessary to either reduce the number of claims considered for investigation, or increase the working staff.

So to answer the question as to what is attainable (with the limited staff) in order to significantly impact and/or reduce auto insurance fraud in the three counties within our “Unit”; at the current staffing level:

- We will strive to increase our public awareness and outreach, by providing public service announcements, brochures and public presentations, advising the public of the DA’s fraud “Unit” and the costs born on the insured from fraud, as well as the consequences to those who commit acts of auto insurance fraud.
- Secondly, we will continue to offer training to local first responding agencies, advising them of the signs and types of incidents that have the potential to lead to auto insurance fraud.
- Third, we will be contacting local insurance agent supervisors, to encourage policy changes in the way they do business with the general public; by requiring vehicle inspections prior to implementing new policies on used vehicles or when renewing a lapsed policy, or the insured desires to lower their deductible.

7. If you are asking for an increase over the amount of grant funds received last fiscal year, please provide a brief description of how you plan to utilize the additional funds?

During the 2016-2017 fiscal year it will be our goal to aggressively investigate all automobile insurance fraud cases that are submitted to our Unit. However, with one half-time funded investigator stretched over three rural and remote counties, the cases forwarded will have to be highly screened in order to make the most of the investigator’s limited time and to assure that the success rate is most effective.

Thank you for your time and consideration. If any questions arise, please feel free to contact the Fraud Unit at your convenience.

BUDGET
for Fiscal Year 2016-2017

FORM 10

BUDGET CATEGORY AND LINE-ITEM DETAIL	COST
A. Personnel Services - Salaries/Employee Benefits	
<u>SALARIES:</u>	
(1) Investigator (0.50 FTE) @ \$33,870.60	\$33,870.
Deputy District Attorney (DDA II -0.20 FTE) @\$15,557.95	\$15,557.
<u>BENEFITS:</u>	
(1) Investigators (0.50 FTE) @ \$2,845.13 each.	\$2,845.
Deputy District Attorney (0.20 FTE) @ 6,601.59	\$6,601.
CATEGORY TOTAL	\$58,873

FORM 11

BUDGET CATEGORY AND LINE-ITEM DETAIL	
B. Operating Expenses	COST
Motor Pool (12,000 Miles x .55= \$6,600.)	\$6,600.00
Training/Travel	\$2,500.00
Audit (third party) = \$600.	600.00
Communications- Investigator Mobile Phone (71.60/month) (12 months) = 859.20	860.00
A-87 Indirect Cost Allocation (10% of Salaries excluding benefits) (Investigators Salaries + DDA Salary) (10%) (\$49,427.) (10%) = \$4,943.	\$4,943.00
Category Total	\$15,503.00

BUDGET CATEGORY AND LINE-ITEM DETAIL	
C. Equipment	COST
None	
CATEGORY TOTAL	\$0
PROGRAM TOTAL	\$73,537.00
INTEREST TOTAL	0

EQUIPMENT LOG

Equipment Log for FY 2015-2016
County of Humboldt

Equipment Ordered	Equipment Cost	Date Ordered	Date Received	Serial Number	Equipment Tag Number

Rows can be inserted as needed.

No equipment purchased during FY 2015-2016.

I certify this report is accurate and in accordance with the approved Grant Award Agreement.

Name: Adam E. Jager

Title: DA Investigator

Signature: 

Date: 6/16/16

**INSURANCE COMMISSIONER
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

GRANT AWARD AGREEMENT

Fiscal Year 2016-17

Automobile Insurance Fraud Program

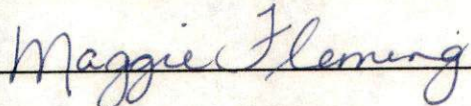
The Insurance Commissioner of the State of California hereby makes an award of funds to **Humboldt County**, Office of the District Attorney, in the amount and for the purpose and duration set forth in this grant award.

This grant award consists of this agreement and the application for the grant and made a part hereof. By acceptance of the grant award, the grant award recipient agrees to administer the grant project in accordance with all applicable statutes, regulations and Request-for-Application (RFA).

Duration of Grant: The grant award is for the program period, **July 1, 2016** through **June 30, 2017**.

Purpose of Grant: This grant award is made pursuant to the provisions of California Insurance Code §1872.8 and shall be used solely for the purposes of enhanced investigation and prosecution of automobile insurance fraud and economic car theft cases.

Amount of Grant: The grant award agreed to herein is in the amount of **\$70,600**. This amount has been determined by the Insurance Commissioner. However, the actual total award amount for the county is contingent on the collection and the authorization for expenditure pursuant to the Government Code §13000 et seq. The grant award shall be distributed pursuant to §1872.8 of the Insurance Code and to the California Code of Regulations Sub-Chapter 9, Article 4, §2698.65.

Official Authorized to Sign for Applicant/Grant Recipient  Name: Maggie Fleming Title: District Attorney Address: 825 5th Street Eureka, CA 95501 Date: <u>10/25/16</u>	DAVE JONES Insurance Commissioner Name: George Mueller Title: Deputy Commissioner Date: _____
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I hereby certify upon my own personal knowledge that budgeted funds are available for the period and purposes of this expenditure.

Crista Hill, Budget Officer, CDI

Date

Attachment

**District Attorney
Automobile Insurance Fraud Program
Supplemental Budget FY 2016-17**

REVENUE:

1100 205 515042	Automobile Insurance Fraud Program	\$10,600
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EXPENDITURES:

1100 205 1400	Extra Help	\$ 5,000
1100 205 2614	Staff Development and Training	\$ 4,000
1100 205 2715	Expert Witness	\$ 1,600

TOTAL EXPENDITURES: \$10,600