

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

AGENDA ITEM NO.
C-8

For the meeting of: ~~March 3, 2015~~ **April 21, 2015**

Date: **4/16** 2015

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Maggie Fleming, District Attorney *m. Fleming*

Subject: California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) Grant Award Augmentation for Fiscal Year (FY) 2014-15 Victim Advocacy and Outreach Program and Supplemental Budget (requires 4/5 vote)

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Authorize the Chair to sign the attached Grant Award Amendment
2. Approve the attached supplemental budget in Fund 1100, Budget Unit 291, District Attorney's Victim Advocacy and Outreach Program (requires 4/5 vote); and
3. Direct the Clerk of the Board to process and return the Grant Award Amendment to the District Attorney's Office, attention Rachele Davis, for submission to Cal OES

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

State of California, Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES)

Prepared by _____ CAO Approval TLFR

REVIEW:	Auditor <i>he</i>	County Counsel _____	Human Resources _____	Other _____
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TYPE OF ITEM:

Consent

Departmental

Public Hearing

Other _____

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

Upon motion of Supervisor *Bohn* Seconded by Supervisor *Sondberg*

Ayes *Sondberg, Lavelace, Fenner, Bohn, Bess*

Nays _____

Abstain _____

Absent _____

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No. _____

Meeting of: _____

and carried by those members present, the Board hereby approves the recommended action contained in this Board report.

Dated: **April 21, 2015**

By: *Kathy Hayes*

Kathy Hayes, Clerk of the Board

DISCUSSION:

In July 2014, the District Attorney submitted an application for annual funding through the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services for FY 2014-15, for the Underserved Victim Advocacy and Outreach Program. The grant funding is made available through the Federal Victims of Crimes Act (VOCA), Assistance and is authorized by the Victims of Crime Act of 1984, as amended. The annual application was approved for funding in the amount of \$125,000, in September 2014. The District Attorney has since been given permission by Cal OES to apply for a grant award augmentation in the amount of \$4,733, increasing the annual program funding to \$129,733.

The primary goal of the Underserved Victim Advocacy and Outreach Program is to enhance the safety of underserved victim populations in Humboldt County by establishing victim advocate positions and specialized services to victims of violent crimes who have historically been underserved due to race, socio-economic status, disability, or sexual orientation. Some of the services provided to underserved victims include crisis counseling, criminal justice support/advocacy, filing victim compensation claims, emergency financial assistance, and referrals to other support agencies.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Approval of the grant award augmentation will allow the County to be reimbursed for an additional \$4,733 in VOCA bringing the maximum of \$129,733 for services performed in accordance with the scope of work described in the grant for the period of October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015. The grant requires an obligation of a cash match from the Humboldt County General Fund in the amount of 1,183. This obligation will be met by the purchase of a security camera and installation in order to enhance the safety for advocates, victims, and witnesses entering and exiting the building. The supplemental budget requests an additional allocation for the increasing cost of Motor pool expenses for in-county \$2,262 and out-county travel by county car of \$754, along with an allocation of \$2,900 to Office supplies, for various program needs for general supplies at the Victim Witness Program Office.

Approval of the requested grant award augmentation in the amount of \$4,733 supports the Board's Strategic Framework by seeking outside funding sources to benefit Humboldt County needs by working to provide programs that protect vulnerable populations.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

Cal OES

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board may choose not to approve the grant award augmentation. This is not recommended as it would cause a loss of anticipated revenue for the District Attorney. Furthermore it would prevent Victim Witness staff from providing services and resources in order to better serve the community.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Grant Award Amendment
2. Supplemental Budget for 1100-291

CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

GRANT AWARD AMENDMENT

Cal OES GRANT AWARD # **VW14050120**

Federal Grant # _____ FIPS# _____ Amendment# 1
 Project # _____ DUNS# 034150203 Recipient Performance Period 10/1/2014 to 9/30/2015


This amendment is between the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services, hereafter called Cal OES, and the Grant Recipient: County of Humboldt

The Recipient agrees to the amendment of this Grant Award Agreement as specified below:

Grant Award Agreement VW 14050120 between the parties hereto is hereby amended to:

Increase the FY 14 VOCA funds by \$4,733 from \$113,344 to \$118,077. This also increases the total match for VOCA 14 by \$1,183 from \$28,336 to \$29,519. This increases the total Project Cost from \$156,250 to \$162,166.

All other provisions of this agreement shall remain as previously agreed upon.

Recipient (Certification and Signature of Authorized Agent)				
By (Authorized Signature)		Date		
		APRIL 21, 2015		
Printed Name		Title		
Estelle Fennell		Chairman of the Board of Supervisors		
Address				
825 5th Street Eureka, CA 95540				
Governor's Office of Emergency Services (For Cal OES use only)				
By Director or Designee		Date		
Printed Name		Title		
Amount Encumbered by this Document	Program/Component	Match	Item	
Prior Amount Encumbered	Fund Source	Chapter	Statute	Fiscal Year
Total Amount Encumbered to Date	PCA #	Project #	CFDA #	
I hereby certify upon my own personal knowledge that budgeted funds are available for the period and purpose of the expenditure stated above.				
Signature of Cal OES Fiscal Officer		Date		

Attachment 2

**District Attorney
Unserved/Underserved Victim Advocacy and Outreach Program
Supplemental Budget FY 2014-15**

REVENUE:

1100 291 515032	D.A. Victim Witness Assistance Program	\$5,916
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EXPENDITURES:

1100 291 2117	Office Supplies	\$2,900
1100 291 2125	Transportation – In County	\$2,262
1100 291 2225	Transportation – Out of County	\$754

TOTAL EXPENDITURES: \$5,916