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County

To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Mark Peterson, District Attorney  
Date: July 12, 2016

Subject: Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board Funding for 7/1/16 - 6/30/17

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**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

ADOPT Resolution No. 2016/423 approving and authorizing the District Attorney, or designee, to execute a contract, including any extensions or amendments thereof pursuant to state guidelines, with the California Victim Witness Compensation and Government Claims Board in an amount not to exceed \$149,184 to fund a Victim Witness Assistance Program Specialist position for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The District Attorney will receive \$149,184 in revenue. 100% State funded.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board (Board) administers the State's Victim Compensation Program (VCP), which reimburses victims of violent crimes for specific economic losses incurred as a result of crime. The Board, through Criminal Restitution Compacts, funds a Victim/Witness Program Specialist Position that provides a restitution specialist who

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **07/12/2016** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

**VOTE OF SUPERVISORS**

AYE: Candace Andersen, District II  
Supervisor  
Mary N. Piepho, District III  
Supervisor  
Karen Mitchoff, District IV  
Supervisor  
Federal D. Glover, District V  
Supervisor

ABSENT: John Gioia, District I  
Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: July 12, 2016

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: Chris Heck, Deputy

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cc:



### BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

works with the victim, the prosecutor, the Probation Department and the Court to ensure that offenders are ordered to pay restitution to the victim and the program when appropriate. Statute requires the Court to impose restitution on behalf of the Board when an offender is convicted and the victim has received benefits from the VCP. If the victim's losses are unknown at the time of sentencing, statute requires that the restitution order include a provision that the amount will be determined at the direction of the court.

### CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The District Attorney will be unable to apply for an accept the grant.

### ATTACHMENTS

Resolution No. 2016/423