



**Contra  
Costa  
County**

To: Board of Supervisors  
From: David O. Livingston, Sheriff-Coroner  
Date: March 14, 2017

Subject: FY 2017 Forensic DNA Laboratory Efficiency Improvement and Capacity Enhancement Program

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**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

ADOPT Resolution No. 2017/76 authorizing the Sheriff-Coroner, or designee, to apply for and accept the FY 2017 Forensic DNA Laboratory Efficiency and Capacity Enhancement Program, in an initial amount of \$97,500.00 to support state-of the art forensic DNA testing to law enforcement agencies in the Contra Costa County for the period January 1, 2018 through the end of the grant period.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

No County costs. Initial revenue: \$97,500.00, 100% Federal revenue, no County match required. (CFDA #16.714)

**BACKGROUND:**

The Office of the Sheriff, Forensic Services Division, operates an ISO 17025 Accredited Crime Laboratory able to provide County-wide Forensic DNA testing services. The Crime Laboratory will benefit from grant funds by applying Lean Manufacturing and Six Sigma methodologies into our forensic laboratory. These methodologies will increase throughput and create a continuous flow of value-adding activities without adding additional resources. Implementation of Lean Six Sigma methodologies contributes to outstanding performance

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **03/14/2017** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

**VOTE OF SUPERVISORS**

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor  
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor  
Diane Burgis, District III Supervisor  
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor  
Federal D. Glover, District V 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: March 14, 2017

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

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and quality gains. Overall, the purchase

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

and implementation of Lean Six Sigma Methodologies will allow for a higher level of service delivery and aid in criminal investigations and prosecutions. The grant funds will support state-of-the-art forensic DNA testing to law enforcement agencies in the Contra Costa County.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

A decision not to pursue grant funding will potentially increase the DNA case backlog and turnaround time for DNA sample processing, and contribute to delays in criminal prosecutions.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

None.

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution No. 2017/76