To: Board of Supervisors

From: David O. Livingston, Sheriff-Coroner

Date: February 7, 2023

Subject: State of California Office of Traffic Safety Grant



Contra Costa County

RECOMMENDATION(S):

ADOPT Resolution No. 2023/31 authorizing the Sheriff-Coroner, or designee, to apply for and accept a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety in an initial amount of \$450,000 for the Sheriff's Forensic Services Unit to purchase new updated instrumentation for the blood alcohol program beginning October 1, 2023 to the end of the grant period.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Initial revenue of \$450,000, 100% State funds.

BACKGROUND:

The Contra Costa County, Office of the Sheriff, Forensic Services Division (FSD) operates an ISO 17025 ANAB Accredited Crime Laboratory able to provide County-wide Forensic Toxicological testing services. The FSD's Toxicology Unit is responsible for the analysis of blood and urine evidence for driving under the influence of drugs (DUID) cases. The Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) grant funds are needed to ensure efficient processing and analysis of DUID-related offenses. The OTS Grant funds will be used to purchase a new updated instrumentation for detection of alcohol and other volatile substances. New updated testing equipment will allow the FSD to meet current accreditation and state (Title 17) guidelines.

	APPROVE	OTHER					
✓ F	RECOMMENDATION OF C	CNTY ADMINISTRATOR RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE					
Action of Board On: 02/07/2023 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	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: February 7, 2023					
	Ken Carlson, District IV Supervisor	Monica Nino, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors					
	Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor	By: June McHuen, Deputy					
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CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Without the new updated instrumentation, some requests for analysis will be sent to an accredited outside laboratory. Analysis performed by an outside laboratory creates an increase burden and cost to Contra Costa County law enforcement agencies and the District Attorney's Office when the case is prosecuted.

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution 2023/31