



MARIPOSA COUNTY

Victim Witness - 209 966 3626



RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2016-298

MEETING: June 14, 2016

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Thomas Cooke, District Attorney

RE: Approve Victim Witness Assistance Program 2016-2017 Grant Application

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Approve the 2016-2017 Victim Witness Assistance Program (VW) Grant Application Administered through the State of California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) in the Amount of \$118,080, for Fiscal Year 16/17; and Authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to Sign the Grant Application. The Victim Witness Assistance Program grant commences July 1, 2016, and runs through June 30, 2017, and provides the District Attorney's Office with funding for services to victims and witnesses of crime.

The Victim Witness Assistance Program is a year to year Grant, in which recipients are required to reapply each year. With the approval of the current application and upon approval by Cal OES this will be the District Attorney's 24th year of funding through the Victim Witness Assistance Program.

This program funds 50% of the Victim Witness Coordinator position, an 100% Victim Advocate, and an a 40% Victim Advocate. The District Attorney's Victim Witness Program is fully funded by State and Federal funds with no assistance from the General Fund.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

The Board has approved other grants submitted by the District Attorney's Office including the Victim Witness Program for the past 23 years.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If the Board chooses to not approve the application it will have a negative impact on the Victim Witness Program's ability to provide assistance to victims and witnesses of crime within Mariposa County.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The Victim Witness Assistance Program is fully funded with State and Federal Grant Funds. No additional General Funds will be used. This grant has been incorporated in the requested budget for fiscal year 2016-2017.

ATTACHMENTS:

VW Grant Application 2016-2017 (PDF)

CAO RECOMMENDATION

Requested Action Recommended



Mary Hodson, CAO 6/8/2016

RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Kevin Cann, District IV Supervisor

SECONDER: Marshall Long, District III Supervisor

AYES: Rosemarie Smallcombe, Marshall Long, Kevin Cann, John Carrier

EXCUSED: Merlin Jones