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Legislation Text

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District Attorney recommending adoption of Resolution authorizing the District Attorney and/or the Chief District Attorney to sign the Standard Agreement with the California Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board for the Victim Witness Claims Grant for Fiscal Years 2009-2010 through 2011-2012 and any amendments or extensions thereof to operate a Victim Witness Center in the County.

Resolution 138-2009

FUNDING: California Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board.

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| BUDGET SUMMARY: | | |
| Total Estimated Cost | | \$514,458 |
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| Funding | | |
| Budgeted | \$514,458 | |
| New Funding | \$ | |
| Savings | \$ | |
| Other | \$ | |
| Total Funding Available | \$ | |
| Change To Net County Cost | | \$0 |

Fiscal Impact/Change to Net County Cost: None. The FY2009-10 funding has been included in the proposed budget. The program is fully funded by the grant.

Background/Program Summary: The Victim Witness Claims Program provides funding for two in-house claims specialists and one program coordinator to perform application intake, data entry, determine eligibility, and verify losses, including; medical, dental, wage loss, support loss, mental health counseling, funeral, burial and relocation expenses. The benefit of having the claims processed in our county is that bills can be paid in a timely manner. The average processing time of claims done directly by the VCP Board is 3-6 months which causes ongoing stress to victims as providers will cut off services until payment is received.

Reason for Recommendation: The Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board has provided a three year agreement for the Victim Witness Claims Program for the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2012.

Total funding is \$514,458 and is to be equally distributed to each of the three fiscal years in the amount of \$171,486. This is an increase of \$2,000 per year when compared to the last two grant cycles dating back to 2006.

Action to be taken following Board approval: Board Chair to sign the resolution

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