

Legislation Text

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District Attorney recommending the Board approve a budget transfer establishing budget and transfer of funds from the asset forfeiture special revenue account into Departments operating budget for the purchase of computers and related software. (4/5's vote required).

BUDGET SUMMARY:			
Total Estimated Cost		\$43,000	
Funding			
Budgeted	\$		
New Funding	\$43,000		
Savings	\$		
Other	\$		
Total Funding Available	\$43,000		
Change To Net County Cost		\$0	

**FUNDING:** Asset Forfeiture Funds.

Fiscal Impact/Change to Net County Cost: This is a cost neutral adjustment to the District Attorney's FY 2010-11 budget.

Reason for Recommendation: State asset forfeiture money is received when property is seized and forfeited according to Health &Safety 11489. Under the provisions for disbursement the department receives 10% of the forfeiture to be used for training, office equipment, and/or educational programs related to drugs. Supplanting is strictly prohibited.

In an effort to meet net county cost targets the department has delayed purchasing replacement computers in the last few budget cycles. The increase in resource needs has resulted in our current systems being inefficient in meeting the needs of department staff. On average, one to two computers are being lost per month resulting in loss of staff time until a replacement is built. The current specifications put forth by the IT department for a basic machine has, on average, 2-3 times more processing power and memory than the existing computers. To address this problem the District Attorney proposes to purchase computers as well as Office 2010 software which will resolve part of the problem. There will still be a large number of computers that will need to be replaced at some point in the future.

Action to be taken following Board approval: Budget transfer to be signed by Chair and posted by the Auditors Office. Department will work with Purchasing and Procurements to establish a purchase order.

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