

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

October 8, 2019

FROM

JASON ANDERSON, District Attorney

SUBJECT

Grant Award Agreement for the San Bernardino County Organized Automobile Fraud Activity Interdiction Program

RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. Approve Grant Award **Agreement No. 19-671** with the California Insurance Commissioner to accept \$382,064 for the investigation and prosecution of organized automobile fraud cases in San Bernardino County for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.
2. Adopt **Resolution No. 2019-155** as required by the California Department of Insurance, approving the Grant Award Agreement and authorizing the District Attorney to execute all documents and non-substantive amendments in relation to the acceptance of this Grant Award Agreement, upon review of County Counsel.
3. Direct the District Attorney to transmit all Grant Award Agreement documents, including any non-substantive amendments, to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors within 30 days of execution.

(Presenter: Michael Fermin, Assistant District Attorney, 382-3662)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Provide for the Safety, Health and Social Service Needs of County Residents.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Approval of this item will not result in the need for additional Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). The grant will provide \$382,064 from the State of California for the County's Organized Automobile Fraud Activity Interdiction Program (Program). The grant revenue is included in the District Attorney's 2019-20 budget, and will be used to fund 1.0 Deputy District Attorney and 1.0 District Attorney Senior Investigator assigned to the Program. No matching funds are required. Funds assessed annually against insurers, in the amount of \$0.50 cents for each insured vehicle, provide the funding source for this grant.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Under the direction of the California Insurance Commissioner and pursuant to California Insurance Code Section 1874.8, the California Department of Insurance (CDI) administers the Organized Automobile Fraud Activity Interdiction Program (Program). In accordance with the Program, the CDI distributes grant funds to district attorneys statewide for the purpose of investigating and prosecuting organized automobile fraud. The acceptance of this grant aligns with the goal of providing for the safety of County residents by assisting the Department in funding the investigation and prosecution of these crimes. The Department has been receiving grant funds for this purpose for the past 16 years.

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On May 22, 2018 (Item No. 59), the Board authorized the District Attorney to submit a grant application to the California Insurance Commissioner requesting funding for this Program for a three-year period effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021. On September 5, 2019, the Department received notification from the California Insurance Commissioner of the County's grant award in the amount of \$382,064 for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. Approval of the grant award by the Board of Supervisors (Board) at this time will have no impact on the Department's grant related services and activities.

The State of California, Department of Insurance requires a resolution from the Board approving the Grant Award Agreement and authorizing the District Attorney to sign the agreement. The October 4, 2019 date to return the signed Grant Award Agreement has been extended to October 11, 2019 to ensure adequate time to obtain Board approval.

PROCUREMENT

N/A

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Katherine Hardy, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5437) on September 17, 2019; Finance (Carl Lofton, Finance Analyst, 387-5404) on September 20, 2019; and County Finance and Administration (Kelly Welty, Deputy Executive Officer, 387-5423) on September 23, 2019.

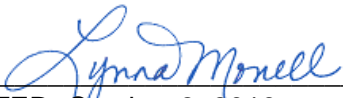
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APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)

Moved: Robert A. Lovingood Seconded: Janice Rutherford
Ayes: Robert A. Lovingood, Janice Rutherford, Dawn Rowe, Curt Hagman, Josie Gonzales

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

BY 
DATED: October 8, 2019



cc: DA- Walker w/agree
Contractor c/o DA w/agree
File- w/agree
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