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TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors
FROM: R. Scott Owens, District Attorney
DATE: September 13, 2016
SUBJECT: Accept the Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Grant

ACTION REQUESTED

Adopt a resolution authorizing the District Attorney, to sign the Grant Award Agreement for the Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Program Grant in the amount of \$175,000 from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

BACKGROUND

The District Attorney's Office has been awarded funding by the Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Program Grant, administered by California's Office of Insurance Fraud. This Agreement will allow the District Attorney's Office to have a program which handles all aspects of Worker's Compensation fraud. To investigate in a timely manner, using professional standards and prosecute, when appropriate, as many identifiable cases of suspected insurance fraud as can be done. The District Attorney's Office and the California Department of Insurance will work together to identify common areas of fraud that tend to drive up the cost of Workers' Compensation Insurance. This would also include identifying those employers who commit premium fraud. Once the entities involved in these areas of fraud have been identified, the parties agree to work together to arrive at the plan as to how best to reduce or minimize these fraudulent activities.

Acceptance of this grant offers financial support for one District Attorney Investigator and 30% of one Deputy District Attorney for a period of 12 months. The District Attorney Investigator, and the Deputy District Attorney will work together with the California Department of Insurance to promote a close working relationship bases on dedication to the common goal of fighting insurance fraud, commitment to the highest professional and ethical standards, and mutual respect as law enforcement officers devoted to the pursuit of justice and the protection of the citizens of Placer County. There are positions allocated within the District Attorney's Office that are not funded at this time.

FISCAL IMPACT

This grant award allocates funding with State monies for one year in the amount of \$175,000. The funds from this grant are included in District Attorney's Office FY 2016-17 Final Budget. No General Fund dollars will be applied to this grant program.

Attachment: Resolution

This Agreement is on file with the Clerk of the Board for your review.

**Before the Board of Supervisors
County of Placer, State of California**

In the matter of:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
R. SCOTT OWENS, DISTRICT ATTORNEY,
TO SIGN, ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD
OF SUPERVISORS, AN AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE WORKER'S COMPENSATION
FRAUD PROGRAM AND THE COUNTY OF PLACER

Resolution No.: _____

The following Resolution was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held _____, by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

Chair, Board of Supervisors

Attest:

Clerk of said Board

WHEREAS, the District Attorney desires to undertake a certain project designated as the Worker's Compensation Fraud Program, administered by the California Department of Insurance (hereinafter referred to as CDI). The program services are primary to provide funding for enhancing investigation and prosecution of workers' compensation insurance fraud cases; and

WHEREAS, the CDI, has authorized and allocated \$175,000 for fiscal year 2016/2017 to implement this project subject to the execution of a Grant Award Agreement for the Worker's Compensation Insurance Fraud Program and acknowledgment of the terms and conditions contained therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the District Attorney of the County of Placer is authorized, to submit the agreement to CDI, and is authorized to sign for purposes of making any extension or amendment thereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that grant funds received hereunder shall not be used to supplant expenditures controlled by this body.

