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**TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors**  
**FROM: Morgan Gire, District Attorney**  
**BY: Mary Green, Chief Investigator**  
**DATE: February 22, 2022**  
**SUBJECT: Approval of the County Victim Services Grant**

### **ACTION REQUESTED**

1. Adopt a resolution ratifying the District Attorney of the county of Placer's execution of the Grant Subaward Agreement with the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) for the County Victim Services Program in the amount of \$194,204 for the period of January 1, 2022, to December 31, 2022, and authorizing the District Attorney of the county of Placer to execute any amendments and extensions thereto. The grant requires a county match of \$31,337 for a total program cost of \$225,541.
2. Approve Budget Amendment AM-00608 increasing revenue and expenditures in the amount of \$194,204 in the District Attorney's Office Budget, CC11001.

### **BACKGROUND**

The Placer County District Attorney's Office strives to serve our community's most vulnerable victims through a variety of programs. The Placer County District Attorney's Office has established several programs to serve our community's senior, and older adults, who are particularly vulnerable to financial victimization, neglect, and physical, sexual or emotional abuse. In addition to the prosecution of individuals for criminal offenses related to elder abuse, services provided by the Placer County District Attorney's Office for older adults include education regarding common fraud schemes and linkage to community resources, and court accompaniment.

The District Attorney's Office has been awarded a subrecipient grant from the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) for the County Victim Services Program in the amount of \$194,204, with a required county match of \$31,337. This grant provides one-time federal Victims of Crime Act ("VOCA") funding to each of California's 58 counties and the City of Los Angeles to help fill self-identified victim services gaps/needs. This funding is designed to provide direct mandated and optional services to meet the needs of elderly and marginalized victims within Placer County. Funds will be utilized to create a "Victim Advocacy Center" to provide a meeting space and resource center for marginalized victims of crime. The center will also provide emotional, psychological, and technological support to elderly victims of abuse and neglect within Placer County. This funding allows for \$20,000 to be passed through to a community based mental health provider, Beautiful



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Minds Wellness, specializing in serving elderly citizens. An MOU governing appropriate uses for funds has been executed with the District Attorney's Office and Beautiful Minds Wellness.

Funds will also provide training for staff, resource materials and emergency victim funds. Emergency victims funds will be administered through gift cards, through the organization "Seniors First". The District Attorney's Office will execute an MOU with Senior's First governing appropriate use of funds and gift cards. Acceptance of this grant will fund a new Administrative Technician allocation and will fund a portion of a current Senior Victim Advocate allocation. The Administrative Technician allocation will aid a vulnerable population within Placer County and will assist with daily oversight and operations of the Victim Resource Center. The Administrative Technician will also compile and oversee the statistical data, for use within monthly Placer PROTECT case review meetings and will work in conjunction with the assigned Deputy District Attorney and Victim Advocate to educate Placer PROTECT team members, partners, community members, and organizations assisting elderly citizens. With board approval, the Administrative Technician position will be added to the District Attorney's allocation of positions and fully funded through the timeline of this grant funding cycle.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The Law Enforcement Specialized Unit subaward allocates funding for one year in the amount of \$194,204, with a required a county match of \$31,337, which is included in the District Attorney's FY 2021-22 Budget. This grant funding is anticipated to be ongoing and requires no additional general funds. The associated revenues and expenditures will be amended to the District Attorney's FY 2021-22 Budget and will be included in the District Attorney's FY 2022-23 Requested Budget and subsequent Budgets thereafter.

Attachment: Resolution

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

**In the matter of:** A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE EXECUTION BY MORGAN GIRE, DISTRICT ATTORNEY, BETWEEN CALOES, AND AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY TO EXECUTE ANY AMENDMENTS AND EXTENSIONS THEREOF FOR THE COUNTY VICTIM SERVICES PROGRAM AND THE COUNTY OF PLACER AGREEMENT XC 21 0310

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:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chair, Board of Supervisors

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of said Board

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**WHEREAS**, the District Attorney desires to undertake a certain project designated as the County Victim Services program administered by the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (hereinafter referred to as CalOES) through grant funding. The County Victim Services Program provides funding for a Senior Victim Advocate and an Administrative Technician to provide critical support, referrals, and guidance to senior citizens vulnerable to abuse in Placer County.

**WHEREAS**, CalOES has authorized and allocated \$194,204 for the period of January 1, 2022 – December 30, 2022 with a required match of \$31,337, for a total grant subaward of \$225,541 to implement this project subject to the execution of a Grant Subaward Agreement for the County Victim Services Program and acknowledgement of the terms and conditions contained therein.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the District Attorney of the County of Placer's execution of the sub-agreement with Cal OES for the County Victim Services Program grant is hereby ratified and the District Attorney of the County of Placer is authorized to execute any amendments and extensions thereto.

