## Stacey L. Montgomery

## OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY

**COUNTY OF LASSEN** 

## VICTIM/WITNESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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## MEMORANDUM

TO

Honorable Lassen County Board of Supervisors

FROM

Stacey L. Montgomery

**Lassen County District Attorney** 

DATE

**April 10, 2017** 

**SUBJECT** 

Extension of Fiscal Year 2016/2017 for the Lassen County District

Attorney's Victim/Witness Assistance Program to conclude

**September 30, 2017** 

Recommendation: That the Lassen County Board of Supervisors authorize the Board Chairman to execute a resolution of the Board of Supervisors Of Lassen County approving the extension of the grant fiscal year for the Lassen County District Attorney's Victim/Witness Assistance program To Be Funded From Funds Available Through the State of California Administered by the California Office of Emergency Services and authorize the Lassen County District Attorney and the Lassen County Administrative Officer to execute any and all documents necessary in order to continue the grant funding for the Victim/Witness Assistance Program for grant year 2016/2017 which will conclude September 30, 2017.

Summary: The Lassen County District Attorney's Victim/Witness Assistance Program has been in existence since 1991. Grant year 2016/2017 is our 24th year of operation. The program is funded through the State of California utilizing both State and Federal monies. The goal of the program is to provide comprehensive services to victims of crime in Lassen County in order to lessen the trauma that they experience while the case in which they are involved makes its way through the criminal justice system. For 2016/2017 fiscal year the California Office of Emergency Services has been informed that their fiscal year will no longer be from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 but will be changed to conclude September 30, 2017. The 2017/2018 fiscal year will commence on October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018 according to the federal fiscal cycle.

Financial Impact: The costs of the District Attorney's Victim/Witness Assistance Program are reimbursed to Lassen County through the grant administered by the California Office of Emergency Services, Criminal Justice, Emergency Management & Victim Services Grant Programs Division. The Victim/Witness allocation to Lassen County for fiscal/grant year 2016/2017(July 1, 2016 to September 30, 2017) will be \$242,866, an increase of \$67,575 over the amount of the grant previously allocated for the grant/ fiscal year 2016/2017 (July 1, 2016-June 30, 2017).

Other Agency Involvement: There are no other County agencies involved with this project.

Attachments: A copy of the proposed Resolution is attached.

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Dated: April 10, 2017

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Lassen County District Attorney

cc: Richard Egan, Lassen County Administrative Officer Diana Wemple, Lassen County Auditor