

December 5, 2006

Board of Supervisors
3501 Civic Center Drive
San Rafael, CA 94903

SUBJECT: A new Elder Abuse Training Grant award from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women, in the amount of \$443,975 for three years. The funds will be allocated to the District Attorney's Office and to the Dept. of Health and Human Services, Division of Aging.

Dear Supervisors:

RECOMMENDATION:

1) Approve the following position allocation adjustment, to be effective in the pay period beginning on December 31, 2006:

Action	SAP Fund Ctr.	Description	FTE	Job Title	Step	Job Class	Pos #
Add	1000021000	Aging	0.50	HHS Program Coordinator (3 Year Limited Term)	3	1251	TBD

2) Approve the following budget adjustments. The adjustments reflect the grant budget for year one of the program, which began on October 1, 2006.

Action	SAP Fund Center	Description	SAP Commitment Item	CI Description	Budget Adjustment
DA:					
No Change*	2200011000	District Attorney	Various	Salaries & Benefits	\$34,990
Increase	2200011000	District Attorney	5211460	Travel - Other	\$20,842
Increase	2200011000	District Attorney	5220110	Office Supplies	\$1,551
Increase	2200011000	District Attorney	5210110	Prof. Services	\$45,000
Increase	2200011000	District Attorney	4550755	Federal Grant Revenue	\$102,383
H&HS:					
Increase	1000021000	Aging	5110110	Salaries & Benefits	\$46,620
Increase	1000021000	Aging	4550755	Federal Grant Revenue	\$46,620

**Note: A 0.25 FTE Deputy District Attorney IV position in the grant budget is an existing position already included in the designated SAP Fund Center.*

SUMMARY: The grant award will fund a collaborative project to provide training to Marin County

law enforcement, prosecutors and court officers. The training will enhance their ability to identify, investigate and prosecute incidences of abuse, neglect and sexual assault against elder individuals and individuals with disabilities. The District Attorney's Office will provide fiscal oversight for the program, as well as a program trainer.

H&HS Division of Aging will provide project leadership and organize team member work by coordinating training activities with the support of an Elder Abuse Training Program Coordinator, a 0.50 FTE position funded by the grant. Among the activities to be funded by the grant:

- Training for 242 officers from seven law enforcement agencies in the County, representing 57% of all law enforcement officers;
- Training will also include 15 prosecuting attorneys from the District Attorney's Office, 6 social workers from Adult Protective Services, and 4 probation officers from the Marin County Probation Department.
- 2 of the County's judges will be able to attend a national judicial training on elder abuse, neglect and exploitation.

COMMUNITY BENEFIT: The Elder Abuse Training Program will train criminal justice system personnel on elder abuse issues and will address the barriers faced by older victims and victims with disabilities. The program will help to improve the local criminal justice response to these members of the community.

FISCAL IMPACT: The District Attorney will re-direct an existing 0.25 FTE Prosecuting Attorney position. The result will be a reduction in net county cost of \$34,990 in the first year of the grant. It is anticipated that years 2 and 3 of the grant will result in a net cost reduction of \$48,500 each year.

REVIEWED BY:	Auditor Controller	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Human Resources	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	County Counsel	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Respectfully submitted,

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