

2020278250—DA-Criminal Restitution Program

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General Fund	2017-2018 Actual	2018-2019 Adjusted	2019-2020 Requested	2019-2020 Recommended	Increase/ (Decrease)
Expenditures					
Salaries & Benefits	\$234,768	\$275,274	\$288,279	\$288,279	\$13,005
Services & Supplies	59	0	0	0	0
Centrally-Budgeted Expenses	2,168	2,625	5,497	5,497	2,872
Total Expenditures	\$236,995	\$277,899	\$293,776	\$293,776	\$15,877
Expenditure Reimbursements	(32,762)	(85,936)	(78,207)	(78,207)	7,729
Total Appropriations	\$204,233	\$191,963	\$215,569	\$215,569	\$23,606
Earned Revenues By Source					
Aid From Other Governments	\$120,987	\$191,963	\$215,569	\$215,569	\$23,606
Total Revenues	\$120,987	\$191,963	\$215,569	\$215,569	\$23,606
Net County Cost	\$83,246	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Allocated Positions	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	0.0

Purpose

The Criminal Restitution Program is funded by a grant from the California Victim Compensation Board (CalVCB). The purpose of the program is to ensure the imposition of restitution fines and orders against criminal offenders in all cases involving an applicant who has filed a victim compensation claim.

Major Budget Changes

Salaries & Employee Benefits

- \$13,005 Salary and benefits adjustments.

Centrally-Budgeted Expenses

- (\$594) Decrease in Workers' Compensation insurance costs.
- \$3,350 Addition of Countywide Cost Allocation Plan charges.

Expenditure Reimbursements

- (\$7,729) Decrease in reimbursement from District Attorney's main budget.

Revenues

- \$23,606 Increase in State revenue.

Program Discussion

The 2019-2020 recommended Criminal Restitution Program budget totals \$293,776, which is an increase of \$15,877 from the 2018-2019 adjusted budget, primarily due to salary and benefits adjustments, and the addition of Countywide Cost Allocation Plan charges. The CalVCB grant will provide funding for 1.75 full-time equivalent Paralegals. An Office Assistant and 25% of a Paralegal will provide support to the District Attorney's main line felony unit.

The current agreement with the CalVCB ends June 30, 2019. The Department is currently negotiating with the State for additional grant funding. If the Department is not successful in renewing the grant, program expenditures will be reduced and staff moved to vacant positions or terminated.

Staff will work to ensure that restitution is imposed by the court in all eligible cases, unless the court waives imposition for compelling and extraordinary reasons that are stated on the record.

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Workload Data

	-----Actual-----			Est./Act.	Projected
	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020
<i>Restitution Orders Reviewed</i>	1,804	2,015	2,286	2,213	2,213
<i>Amount of Restitution Ordered for Crime Victims or CalVCB</i>	\$276,302	\$257,769	\$373,365	\$354,398	\$354,398