

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL  
DATE 7/26/15  
BY: GREGORY P. PRIAMOS

**FROM:** District Attorney

**SUBMITTAL DATE:**  
8/19/15

**SUBJECT:** Acceptance of a California Office of Traffic Safety Grant award for the Riverside County District Attorney's Office DUI with Death and Injury Vertical Prosecution Program and Adoption of Resolution 2015-203. All Districts [\$396,723; State of California 100%]

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Ratify and approve acceptance of a grant award (Grant Agreement attached) from the California Office of Traffic Safety ("OTS") in the amount of \$396,723 for the grant period October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016.
2. Adopt Resolution 2015-203 authorizing the District Attorney and/or his designee to sign the Grant Agreement on behalf of the Board.

**BACKGROUND:**

Summary

The District Attorney's Office DUI with Death and Injury Vertical Prosecution Unit will provide a central location throughout the southwest region of the county for law enforcement, victims, and the community.

(Background cont. on page 2)

*Elaina Bentley*  
Elaina Bentley, for  
Michael A. Hestrin,  
District Attorney

FISCAL PROCEDURES APPROVED  
BY: PAUL ANGLILO, CPA, AUDITOR-CONTROLLER  
Susana Garcia-Bocanegra

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost:	POLICY/CONSENT (per Exec. Office)
COST	\$ 329,000	\$ 67,723	\$ 396,723	\$ 0	Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Policy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:** State of California  
Budget Adjustment: No  
For Fiscal Year: 15/16, 16/17

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:** APPROVE

BY: *Elizabeth J. Olson*  
County Executive Office Signature Elizabeth J. Olson

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

- A-30
- 4/5 Vote
- Positions Added
- Change Order

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**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
**FORM 11: Acceptance of a California Office of Traffic Safety Grant award for the Riverside County District Attorney's Office DUI with Death and Injury Vertical Prosecution Program and Adoption of Resolution 2015-203. All Districts [\$396,723; State of California 100%].**

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**BACKGROUND:**

**Summary**

In each of the past six years (2009-2014), Riverside County has accounted for the arrests of over 10,000 impaired drivers, placing it among only five counties in the State of California with a similarly high incidence of impaired driving. In 2011, a total of 11,007 Driving Under the Influence (DUI) complaint requests were received from law enforcement, of which 10,724 cases in which a violation of either Vehicle Code section 23152(a) or 23153(a) was charged were actually filed with the court against adult offenders, with an additional 60 such cases resulting in petitions being filed on behalf of juvenile offenders. Additionally, the number of DUI offenders who fail to appear in court also increased during this same reporting period, often as a result of a lack of follow through on ensuring that once the case was filed, the defendant was arrested.

The County District Attorney's Office will assign a specialized team to prosecute alcohol and drug impaired driving cases. The DUI prosecution team will handle cases throughout each step of the criminal process. Prosecution team members will work with the Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor Program, funded by OTS, to increase the capabilities of the team and the office by obtaining and delivering specialized training. Team members will share information with peers and law enforcement personnel throughout the county and across the state. The office will accomplish these objectives as a means to prevent impaired driving and reduce alcohol-involved traffic fatalities and injuries.

The DUI with Death and Injury Vertical Prosecution Program will consist of a Deputy District Attorney and a Senior District Attorney Investigator. This specialized team will investigate and vertically prosecute all felony DUI with injury and DUI related vehicular homicide cases in the Southwest Riverside County region. Vertical prosecution is shown to improve conviction rates, reduce victim trauma, and provide more consistent, appropriate sentencing.

The Deputy District Attorney dedicated to the grant will review all DUI cases resulting in fatality or serious injury that are submitted for filing. The Deputy District attorney will prepare investigation requests, vertically prosecute the cases accepted and/or filed under the grant and participate in outreach efforts designed to prevent DUI and raise public awareness. The prosecutor will attend training provided by the Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor Program and deliver training to law enforcement, investigators and to other attorneys within the District Attorney's Office. This vertical prosecution unit will implement the following policies to achieve maximum effectiveness. The Senior District Attorney Investigator will conduct all investigation for cases accepted and/or filed under the grant and will act as liaison between local law enforcement agencies.

Another component of the specialized team will be to coordinate and participate in DUI prevention and awareness activities to schools and local law enforcement agencies; and to participate in campaigns such as MADD.

Based on an estimated award, the DA's Office budgeted \$329,000 for FY15-16 in this revenue category. No budget adjustment is necessary since the remaining portion (\$67,723) of the grant award will be included in the budget process for FY16-17.

The grant award and resolution have been reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
**FORM 11: Acceptance of a California Office of Traffic Safety Grant award for the Riverside County District**  
**Attorney's Office DUI with Death and Injury Vertical Prosecution Program and Adoption of Resolution**  
**2015-203. All Districts [\$396,723; State of California 100%].**

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**Impact on Citizens and Businesses**

All costs under this program will be recovered through grant funding.

**Attachments:**

Grant Agreement

Resolution #2015-203

Resolution #2014-193

**1. GRANT TITLE**  
**ALCOHOL AND DRUG IMPAIRED DRIVER VERTICAL PROSECUTION PROGRAM**

**2. NAME OF AGENCY**  
**RIVERSIDE COUNTY**

**4. GRANT PERIOD**  
 From: 10/1/15  
 To: 9/30/16

**3. AGENCY UNIT TO ADMINISTER GRANT**  
**RIVERSIDE COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE**

**5. GRANT DESCRIPTION**  
 The County District Attorney's Office (or City Attorney's Office) will assign a specialized team to prosecute alcohol and drug impaired driving cases. The DUI prosecution team will handle cases throughout each step of the criminal process. Prosecution team members will work with the Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor Program to increase the capabilities of the team and the office by obtaining and delivering specialized training. Team members will share information with peers and law enforcement personnel throughout the county and across the state. The office will accomplish these objectives as a means to prevent impaired driving and reduce alcohol and drug-involved traffic fatalities and injuries.

**6. FEDERAL FUNDS ALLOCATED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT SHALL NOT EXCEED: \$ 396,723.00**

**7. TERMS AND CONDITIONS:** The parties agree to comply with the terms and conditions of the following which are by this reference made a part of the Agreement:

- Schedule A (OTS-38b) – Problem Statement, Goals and Objectives and Method of Procedure
- Schedule B (OTS-38d) – Detailed Budget Estimate and Sub-Budget Estimate (if applicable)
- Schedule B-1 (OTS-38f) – Budget Narrative and Sub-Budget Narrative (if applicable)
- Exhibit A – Certifications and Assurances
- Exhibit B\* - OTS Grant Program Manual


\*Items shown with an asterisk (\*), are hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this agreement as if attached hereto. These documents can be viewed at the OTS home web page under Grants: [www.ots.ca.gov](http://www.ots.ca.gov).

We, the officials named below, hereby swear under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that we are duly authorized to legally bind the Grant recipient to the above described Grant terms and conditions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been executed by the parties hereto.

**8. APPROVAL SIGNATURES**

**A. GRANT DIRECTOR**  
 NAME: **John Aki** PHONE: 951-955-5502  
 TITLE: **Chief Assistant District Attorney** FAX: 951-955-5877  
 ADDRESS: 3960 Orange Street  
 Riverside, CA 92501-3643  
 E-MAIL: **Jaki@RivCoDA.org**  
  
 (Signature) 8/31/15  
 (Date)

**B. AUTHORIZING OFFICIAL OF AGENCY**  
 NAME: **Elaina Bentley** PHONE: 951-955-5632  
 TITLE: **Assistant District Attorney** FAX: 951-955-9455  
 ADDRESS: 3960 Orange Street  
 Riverside, CA 92501-3643  
 E-MAIL: **EBentley@RivCoDA.org**  
  
 (Signature) 7/22/2015  
 (Date)

**C. FISCAL OR ACCOUNTING OFFICIAL**  
 NAME: **Rodney Tethal** PHONE: 951-955-0265  
 TITLE: **Supervising Deputy District Attorney** FAX: 951-955-9455  
 ADDRESS: 3960 Orange Street  
 Riverside, CA 92501-3643  
 E-MAIL: **RTethal@RivCoDA.org**  
  
 (Signature) 7/23/15  
 (Date)

**D. OFFICE AUTHORIZED TO RECEIVE PAYMENTS**  
 NAME: **Riverside County District Attorney**  
 ADDRESS: 3960 Orange Street  
 Riverside, CA 92501-3643

**9. DUNS NUMBER**  
 DUNS #: **037754061**  
 REGISTERED ADDRESS & ZIP: **3960 Orange Street  
 Riverside, CA 92501-3643**

FORM APPROVED BY RIVERSIDE COUNTY COUNCIL BY NEAL R. KIPNIS

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3 RESOLUTION NO. 2015-203

4 RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE  
5 COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, REGARDING  
6 CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY GRANT AGREEMENT  
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8 WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside has designated the DUI  
9 with Death and Injury Vertical Prosecution Program to be funded from funds made available and  
10 administered by the California Office of Traffic Safety (hereinafter referred to as "OTS"); now,  
11 therefore,

12 BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of  
13 Riverside, State of California, in regular session assembled on \_\_\_\_\_, 2015,  
14 that the District Attorney of the County of Riverside, State of California and/or his designee is  
15 authorized, on its behalf, to submit and to sign the Grant Agreement, as well as related  
16 contracts, amendments, or extensions with OTS that do not significantly change the grant or the  
17 contract.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the resolution shall be in effect for a one-year period  
19 beginning October 1, 2015 and ending September 30, 2016.  
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FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL  
BY:  NEAL R. KPNIS  
DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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3 RESOLUTION NO. 2014-193

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16 contracts, amendments, or extensions with OTS that do not significantly change the grant or the  
17 contract.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the resolution shall be in effect for a one-year period  
19 beginning October 1, 2014 and ending September 30, 2015.  
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21 ROLL CALL:

22 Ayes: Jeffries, Tavaglione, Stone, Benoit and Ashley  
23 Nays: None  
24 Absent: None

The foregoing is certified to be a true copy of a resolution duly adopted by said Board of Supervisors on the date therein set forth.

KEGIA HARPER-IHEM, Clerk of said Board

By Karupath  
Deputy

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNCIL 11/14  
BY NEAL EKIPINS