

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



ITEM: 3.53
(ID # 25642)

MEETING DATE:
Tuesday, July 30, 2024

FROM : PUBLIC DEFENDER

SUBJECT: PUBLIC DEFENDER: Fiscal Year 2023/24 Budget Adjustments; All Districts.
[\$1,637,956 Total Costs - 100% General Fund Contingency] (4/5 Vote Required)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve and direct the Auditor-Controller to make the FY 2023/24 budget adjustments as recommended in Attachment A.

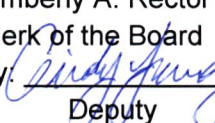
ACTION:


Steven Harmon, Public Defender 7/22/2024

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Gutierrez, seconded by Supervisor Perez and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Gutierrez
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: July 30, 2024
xc: Public Defender

Kimberly A. Rector
Clerk of the Board
By: 
Deputy

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$1,637,956	\$0	\$1,637,956	\$0
NET COUNTY COST	\$1,637,956	\$0	\$1,637,956	\$0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: General Fund Contingency 100%			Budget Adjustment: Yes	
			For Fiscal Year: 23/24	

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

Summary

The Public Defenders Office had an increase in salaries and benefits due to MOU increases and Union Negotiations. The Public Defenders Office is requesting general fund support to cover the cost of these increases.

The Riverside County Deputy District Attorneys Association (RCDDAA) representing approximately 249 attorneys in the offices of the District Attorney, County Counsel, Child Support Services, and Public Defender, negotiated salary and benefit increases, in order to better retain and recruit attorney staff. On July 18, 2023, the Board of Supervisors approved the salary range for all attorney classifications shall be increased by 12%, effective July 27, 2023.

As a result of the approval of the 12% salary and benefit increase, the Public Defender's FY2023/24 budget has been heavily impacted, resulting in a shortfall.

The Public Defenders Office will continue to work to identify budgetary issues and remediate them in a timely way to assure adequate appropriations are in place for successful fiscal year closure.

ATTACHMENT

- FY 2023/24 Budget Adjustments

Heydee Koury
Heydee Koury, Sr Accountant - Auditor

7/24/2024

Rebecca S Cortez
Rebecca S Cortez, Principal Management Analyst

7/24/2024

Attachment A

Public Defender's Office

Year-End Cleanup
Fiscal Year 2023/2024

Increase Appropriations:

10000-2400100000-510040	Regular Salaries	\$1,444,459
10000-2400100000-518100	Budgeted Benefits	\$193,497

Anticipated use of unassigned fund balance

10000-2400100000-370100	Unassigned Fund Balance	\$1,637,956
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Decrease Appropriations:

10000-1109000000-581000	Appropriations for Contingencies	\$1,637,956
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Anticipated Increase of Unassigned Fund Balance

10000-1109000000-370100	Unassigned Fund Balance	\$1,637,956
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