



Mendocino County

Legislation Text

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To: Board of Supervisors

From: Public Defender

Meeting Date: March 23, 2021

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Item Type: Consent Agenda

Time Allocated for Item: 15 minutes

Agenda Title:

Adoption of Resolution Requesting Authorization for the Public Defender, Jeffrey Aaron, to Sign and Accept the Grant Agreement in the Amount of \$416,500 with \$323,400 Designated for the Public Defender and \$93,100 for the Alternate Public Defender, for the Period of February 15, 2021, to June 30, 2023, Pursuant to the Indigent Defense Grant Program Funded Through the State Budget Act of 2020 (Senate Bill 74) Administered by the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC)

Recommended Action/Motion:

Adopt Resolution authorizing the Public Defender, Jeffrey Aaron, to sign and accept the grant agreement in the amount of \$416,500 with \$323,400 designated for the Public Defender and \$93,100 for the Alternate Defender, Grant Funding Pursuant to the Indigent Defense Grant Program Administered by the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC); authorize Chair to sign same.

Previous Board/Board Committee Actions:

None.

Summary of Request:

The Public Defender requests approval pursuant to Mendocino County Policy #25 to sign the Grant Agreement and accept the Grant Funding for a grant pursuant to the Indigent Defense Program that is administered by the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC). The Grand Administration Guide is attached to this Agenda Summary.

The Public Defender has received approval for Mendocino County's application for a Grant pursuant to the Indigent Defense Grant Program as funded by the State Budget Act of 2020 (Senate Bill 74). There is no matching requirement on the part of Mendocino County and supplanting (i.e., appropriating grant funds for existing departmental purposes) is prohibited. The Indigent Defense Grant Program "shall be used to support new program activities or to augment or expand existing program activities but shall not be used to replace existing funds."

The grant period is from February 15, 2021, to June 30, 2023. The amount approved for Mendocino County is a total of \$416,500 with \$323,400 designated for the Public Defender and \$93,100 for the Alternate Public Defender.

There is no fiscal impact or obligation on the part of Mendocino County that would be incurred as a result of the acceptance of this funding.

Alternative Action/Motion:

Do not adopt resolution and return with direction to staff.

Supervisory District: All

vote requirement: Majority

Supplemental Information Available Online At: https://www.bscc.ca.gov/s_indigentdefensegrant/

Fiscal Details:

source of funding: State of California via BSCC.

current f/y cost: None.

annual recurring cost: None.

budget clarification: N/A

budgeted in current f/y: No

if no, please describe:

revenue agreement: No

Agreement/Resolution/Ordinance Approved by County Counsel: Yes

CEO Liaison: Executive Office

CEO Review: Choose an item.

CEO Comments:

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Executed By: Atlas Pearson, Deputy Clerk I

Date: March 25, 2021

Final Status:**Adopted**

Executed Item Type: **Resolution** Number: 21-037

