



**COUNTY OF SAN MATEO**  
**Inter-Departmental Correspondence**  
District Attorney's Office



**DATE:** July 11, 2011  
**BOARD MEETING DATE:** July 26, 2011  
**SPECIAL NOTICE/HEARING:** N/A  
**VOTE REQUIRED:** Majority

**TO:** Honorable Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Stephen M. Wagstaffe, District Attorney  
**SUBJECT:** Agreement with Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the District Attorney to execute an agreement with the Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board for the purpose of funding the Restitution Program in the amount of \$75,473.78 for FY 2011-2012.

**BACKGROUND:**

Beginning in 1997, the State Board of Control, now known as the Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board (VCGCB), agreed to fund a Restitution Specialist position in with the San Mateo County District Attorney's Office in order to aid victim restitution and services. The role of the Restitution Specialist is to assist the prosecuting attorney to secure Restitution orders in all cases involving a victim who filed a claim with the Board for specific crime-related expenses, as well as assuring the imposition of restitution fines on all convicted offenders. The Board approved an amendment to the Salary Ordinance in December of 1997 and an appropriation transfer request in January 1998 to initiate the program in San Mateo County. Since 1997, the Board has renewed this application every year.

**DISCUSSION:**

Pursuant to the County's application for funds, the Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board has agreed to pay the County the sum of \$75,473.78 for the FY 2011-2012. The program supports one Restitution Specialist (paralegal by county classification) who is responsible for coordinating restitution efforts in the District Attorney's Office. This includes notifying Deputy District Attorneys of cases in which restitution needs to be ordered to the VCGCB, tracking the disposition of cases until such restitution has been ordered, and reporting case status to the VCGCB. Approval of the subject resolution will permit the District Attorney to submit the contract to the Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board for continuance of this program effort.

County Counsel has approved the Resolution and Agreement as to form and content.

Approval of the Resolution and Agreement contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Healthy Community by assisting victims of violent crimes in obtaining restitution.

**Performance Measure(s):**

<b>Measure</b>	<b>FY 2010-2011</b>	<b>FY 2011-2012 Projected</b>
<b>Number of defendants who were ordered to pay restitution to the VCGCB</b>	58	70

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

For FY 2011-12 the total cost of the Restitution Program is \$103,783. The VCGCB contract will fund \$75,473.78, or 73% and \$28,309, or 27% will be covered by Net County Cost.

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE VICTIM COMPENSATION AND GOVERNMENT CLAIMS BOARD FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING THE RESTITUTION PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75,473.78 FOR FY 2011-2012**

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**RESOLVED**, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, that:

**WHEREAS**, the San Mateo County District Attorney’s Office has previously entered into an agreement with the Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board (hereafter referred to as the “VCGCB”) and desires to continue the program to ensure the imposition of restitution orders to the VCGCB and restitution fines on all convicted offenders in accordance with applicable statutes; and

**WHEREAS**, the VCGCB has authorized and allocated \$75,473.78 for the period of July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 to implement this project subject to the execution of a Standard Agreement and acknowledgement of the terms and conditions contained therein;

**NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, that the District Attorney of the County of San Mateo, on behalf of the Board of Supervisors, is hereby authorized to execute said agreement with the Victim Compensation and

**Government Claims Board.**

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