

## MARIPOSA COUNTY

Victim Witness · 209 966 3626



### **RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2018-492**

MEETING: October 9, 2018

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Thomas Cooke, District Attorney

RE: Authorize Victim Witness to Increase One Victim Witness Advocate

Position from 80% to 100% FTE

#### RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Increase the Allocation for the Victim-Witness Advocate in the Victim-Witness Program of the District Attorney's Office from 80% Permanent Part-Time to Full-Time, Effective Immediately. There are budgeted funds to cover this request, see MinuteTraq ID# 8622.

This position will serve victims and witnesses of crime throughout the County of Mariposa and provide direct services and resources to those victims and witness in need of services.

There has been a need to address the underserved victims and witnesses of crime in our community for an extended period of time. With the additional funds and match of services from agencies in our community, we will be moving to help meet the needs that have long been hard to meet with limited funds and staffing.

Funding for this position comes from Victim Witness Assistance Grant and does not impact the County General Fund.

#### BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

Per current policy, the Board of Supervisors reviews all personnel additions or changes to allocated positions.

### ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Do not increase the 80% permanent part-time Victim-Witness Advocate allocation to 100% FTE. There may be limited availability to assist the victims and witnesses that we serve and not use allocated grant funds for the 2018-19 Fiscal Year.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Sufficient funding has been budgeted in the Victim-Witness Budget for this request (See Board ID #8622). There will be no financial impact to the County General Fund.

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RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]

**MOVER:** Merlin Jones, District II Supervisor **SECONDER:** Miles Menetrey, District V Supervisor **AYES:** Smallcombe, Jones, Long, Cann, Menetrey