



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: November 17, 2025

SUBJECT: Acceptance of grant funds for Victims Assistance Programs

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Move approval of Document No. 2025-904, a grant agreement with Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) / Criminal Fines Account (CFA) to accept funding for Victims Assistance Programs.

BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

The District Attorney's Office requests Board authorization to accept non-competitive formula grants provided to assist in funding Victims Assistance Programs. This funding will renew existing funding already established in the Victims Assistance Program and already budgeted for in Fiscal Year 2026 (FY26).

On September 10, 2025, the Board of County Commissioners authorized the District Attorney's Office to apply for the VOCA/ CFA grants, which fund 2.0 limited-duration FTE in Victims Assistance. Subsequently, on September 17, 2025, the Board approved Resolution No. 2025-040, extending these limited-duration positions through September 30, 2026 on the condition that this funding was approved.

Due to prior federal immigration-enforcement conditions, only carry-forward funds were allocated and the FY25 VOCA formula funding allocations were temporarily held. These conditions have since been removed, resulting in the County being awarded an additional \$163,568 in VOCA funding for the 2025–26 allocation period (10/1/25-9/30/26). This additional funding will fully support the 2.0 FTE Victim Advocate positions and associated program costs, including travel and training, office equipment, temporary personnel, and administrative expenses necessary for effective grant administration.

BUDGET IMPACTS:

Funding was included in the FY26 budget. Total expected revenue for the duration of the one-year grant cycle (10/1/2025-9/30/2026) will be:

- VOCA: \$270,130
- CFA: \$112,198

There is no requirement for matching funds.

ATTENDANCE:

Jessica Chandler, DA Business Manager