



# Solano County

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## Legislation Text

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Authorize the District Attorney to submit a grant proposal to The California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) for a maximum grant amount of \$337,828 for the period of January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2020 to increase services and programs at the Solano Family Justice Center (SFJC)

Published Notice Required? Yes ☐ No ☒

Public Hearing Required? Yes ☐ No ☒

### **DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION:**

The District Attorney (DA) recommends that the Board of Supervisors authorize the submittal of a grant proposal to The California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) for a maximum grant amount of \$337,828 for the period of January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2020 to increase services and programs at the Solano Family Justice Center (SFJC).

### **SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:**

The 2018-19 California State Budget designated \$10,000,000 of General Fund money for a one-time program for grants to Family Justice Centers, \$8,800,000 of which will be distributed noncompetitively. Solano is one of the counties that is eligible to receive funding noncompetitively. Funding from this grant program seeks to address unique characteristics of our victim service population, identify what victim-centered, trauma-informed, and culturally inclusive services are needed, expand collaborative efforts with service providers, and enhance victim services.

The SFJC is reviewing current programming and services with its partners, and will seek to address gaps in services as well as strengthen existing services and programs for crime victims in Solano County. The SFJC currently has programming and services for victims of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Child Abuse, Elder Abuse, and human trafficking. Potential expenditures could include Limited Term staffing, contracts with SJFC partners to provide services, and one-time purchases.

Sustainability of programs and services after funding expires will be discussed amongst grant program partners prior to the December 31, 2020 end date. The District Attorney and the Office of Family Violence Prevention will continue to seek and apply for grants that support programs and services for crime victims.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

Receipt of the grant award would have no General Fund impact. The grant funding does not require a local match. The costs associated with preparing the agenda item are nominal and absorbed by the department's FY2018/19 Adopted Budget.

### **ALTERNATIVES:**

The Board may choose to not authorize the submission of this grant proposal. This is not recommended as it would result in the loss of \$337,828 in grant revenue for the period of January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2020, while also jeopardizing efforts by the SFJC and its partners to continue services provided for victims of crime.

**OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

The County Administrator's Office has reviewed and concurs with the departmental recommendation.

**CAO RECOMMENDATION:**

APPROVE DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION