

RESOLUTION No. 21-016

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE WORKERS' COMPENSATION FRAUD GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,155.00 FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2020 TO JUNE 30, 2021, RATIFYING EXECUTION OF THE AGREEMENT BY THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND APPROVING A RELATED BUDGET AMENDAMENT (4/5 AFFIRMATIVE VOTE REQUIRED)

WHEREAS, the Nevada County District Attorney's Office applied for and has been awarded Workers' Compensation Fraud Insurance Grant Funds by the California Department of Insurance; and

WHEREAS, an amended award for Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Grant funds in the amount of \$1,155.00 have been made available for the period of July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 for a total award of \$108,614.00; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada County Board of Supervisors desires to maintain a Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud program through funds administered by the California Department of Insurance; and

WHEREAS, any liability arising out of performance of Grant Award Agreement, including civil court actions for damages is the responsibility of the grant recipient and the authorizing agency; and

WHEREAS, the Grant funds received hereunder may not be used to supplant existing expenditures controlled by this body; and

WHEREAS, the District Attorney executed an Agreement regarding the acceptance and use of the Grant Funds on November 10, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada hereby accepts additional Workers' Compensation Fraud Grant Funds in the amount of \$1,155.00 for use from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 to investigate and prosecute Worker's Compensation Insurance Fraud.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors hereby ratifies the District Attorney's execution of the Amendment to the Grant Agreement, effective as of November 10, 2020, and authorizes the District Attorney to execute all payment requests and related documentation necessary to secure the grant funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all Workers' Compensation Fraud Grant Funds received shall be deposited into District Attorney Revenue Account 0101 20103 101 1000 445090 and directs the Auditor-Controller to amend the District Attorney's Fiscal Year 2020/2021 budget as follows:

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada at a regular meeting of said Board, held on the <u>26th</u> day of <u>January</u>, <u>2021</u>, by the following vote of said Board:

Ayes: Noes:	Supervisors Heidi Hall, Edward Scofield, Dan Miller, Susan K. Hoek and Hardy Bullock. None.
Absent:	None.
Abstain:	None.

ATTEST:

JULIE PATTERSON HUNTER Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Dan Miller, Chair

1/26/2021 cc:

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RICARDO LARA CALIFORNIA INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

November 12, 2020

The Honorable Clifford Newell District Attorney Nevada County District Attorney's Office 201 Commercial Street Nevada City, CA 95959

RE: Grant Award for Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Program Fiscal Year 2020-21 Additional Funding

Dear District Attorney Newell:

I am pleased to report that there is a Fiscal Year (FY) 2019-20 Year-End Balance in the Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Program (Program) grant funds available to distribute to participating District Attorney Offices. We are proceeding with a disbursement of an additional **\$362,984** of which an additional **\$1,155** will be awarded to **Nevada County** for this important Program. This additional grant award is to be used for the investigation and prosecution of workers' compensation insurance fraud.

It is Commissioner Lara's continuing intent that these funds be used effectively to pursue and investigate fraud across California. It is also important to focus these finite resources on combating fraud that continues to increase costs on the workers' compensation system, including medical provider insurance fraud, employer premium fraud, insider fraud, and claimant fraud, among others. Additionally, a coordinated and aggressive outreach program to all communities by your Office, including to diverse and underserved communities, with measurable outcomes remains a priority.

Please feel free to contact Eric Charlick, Fraud Division Chief, (559) 440-5922 should you have any questions regarding your award. I look forward to working together with you in our continuing pursuit against workers' compensation insurance fraud.

Sincerely,

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George Mueller Deputy Commissioner, Enforcement Branch

cc: Mr. Henry Penaluna, Chief District Attorney Investigator

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