



RESOLUTION No. 21-402

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE FRAUD GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$96,720.00 FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2021 TO JUNE 30, 2022 AND AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT

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

WHEREAS, Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Grant Funds in the amount of \$96,720.00 have been made available for the period of July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada County Board of Supervisors desires to continue a Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud program to be funded in part from funds administered by the California Department of Insurance; and

WHEREAS, the Grant funds received hereunder shall not be used to supplant existing expenditures controlled by this body.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be adopted by a majority by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, that accepts the Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Grant Funds in the amount of \$96,720.00 for use from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 to investigate and prosecute workers' compensation insurance fraud, and authorizes the District Attorney to execute all necessary contracts, payment requests, agreements and amendments for the purposes of securing these grant funds and to implement and carry out the purposes specified in the application.

The grant funds received in the amount of \$96,720.00 for said project shall be deposited into District Attorney Revenue Account 0101 20103 101 1000 445090.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada at a regular meeting of said Board, held on the 14th day of September, 2021, by the following vote of said Board:

Ayes: Supervisors Heidi Hall, Edward Scofield, Dan Miller and Hardy Bullock.

Noes: None.

Absent: Susan K. Hoek.

Abstain: None.

ATTEST:

JULIE PATTERSON HUNTER
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: 


Dan Miller, Chair

9/14/2021 cc: DA(1)
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RICARDO LARA
CALIFORNIA INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

June 22, 2021

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 2021-2022**

Dear District Attorney Newell,

I am very pleased to report that, for Fiscal Year 2021-2022, a total of \$45,889,371 is available in Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Program grant funds to be distributed to 36 District Attorney Offices representing 46 counties, of which Nevada has been awarded **\$96,720** for this important Program. This grant award is to be used for the investigation and prosecution of workers' compensation insurance fraud.

The decision to grant these funds was made by my Department staff, in consultation with the California Fraud Assessment Commission. Each application received for grant funding was thoroughly reviewed, with careful consideration given to the applicant's plan to achieve the goals and objectives set by me and the Fraud Assessment Commission earlier this year.

It is my 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 of mine.

Thank you for submitting your application for grant funding and, moreover, congratulations on your award. Please feel free to contact my staff Victoria Martinez, Assistant Chief, at (323) 278-5062 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,

RICARDO LARA
Insurance Commissioner

cc: Mr. Henry Penaluna, Chief District Attorney Investigator