Mission Statement

To do Justice, as no one is above the Law nor beneath its protection.

Department Description and Key Issues

The District Attorney is a constitutional officer, mandated to review, investigate and prosecute all criminal violations of State and local laws occurring in Butte County. The District Attorney's priority is to protect victims of crime and the safety of the public. The District Attorney acts by the authority of and in the name of the People of the State of California.

The District Attorney receives and reviews more than 9,500 adult and juvenile crime reports from over twenty law enforcement and regulatory agencies, determines whether to file criminal complaints in the court and prosecutes felony cases on a "vertical prosecution" model, i.e., the same prosecutor handles the case from beginning to end. Vertical prosecution is effective for case management and, most importantly, for victim consideration.

Prosecution and investigation personnel are assigned to specialty areas of law to take advantage of experience and skills. The specialty areas are: *Special Victims* (child abuse, elder abuse and sexual assault)*; Domestic Violence* (domestic violence, elder domestic violence and stalking); *Child Abduction* (recovery of abducted children); *Misdemeanor Crimes* (driving under the influence, petty theft, disturbances, misdemeanor assault, vandalism); *Gangs; Narcotics*; *Drug Endangered Children* (rescuing children from drug-infested homes); *Major Crimes* (homicides, kidnapping, felony assault/weapons, stolen vehicles); *Juvenile Crimes; Economic and Computer Crimes* (property crimes, insurance fraud, identity theft, consumer fraud, embezzlement); *Welfare Fraud Investigations*; *Environmental and Consumer Protection* (civil and criminal prosecutions of environmental, and consumer crimes); *Collaborative/Problem Solving Courts (*DUI and drug courts).

The key issues for the District Attorney's Office this year include: Public Safety Realignment (AB 109); the investigation and prosecution of crimes involving gangs and marijuana; expansion of services to victims of crime; and continuing automation improvements to streamline and enhance law enforcements' delivery of case prosecution information to the District Attorney (Agency Upload) and the District Attorney's delivery of discovery to defense counsel (e-Discovery).

Public Safety Realignment (AB109) – The County continues to struggle with the effects of state prisoners being "realigned" from the state to our local authorities. In an effort to measure the true impacts of AB109 on local public safety, the District Attorney has partnered with our local law enforcement agencies and California State University, Chico, to analyze a variety of data in this coming year. The initial data shows the District Attorney's felony caseload has gone up 15% in the first year of AB109. Some of that increase is attributed to repeat offenders released into the community who would normally have been imprisoned. Other increases are driven by our local jail being turned into a "local prison" with a concomitant rise in prison crime prosecutions new to the local caseload – crimes such as violent inmate-on-inmate assaults, drug smuggling and weapon manufacturing. The crime of escape, largely unknown since the building of the "new" jail in 1996, is now regularly prosecuted as inmates escape from home detentions made necessary by jail overcrowding. Parole revocations, once the responsibility of state parole authorities, are now largely the responsibility of our local courts and on July 1, 2013 will be fully our local responsibility.

Gangs - There are at least 25 gangs with more than 1,000 members and associates known in Butte County and another 15 that frequent the county. Local gangs are actively involved in violent crimes involving weapons, property crimes and illegal drug distribution. Several high-profile murders, shootings and stabbings involving multiple gang members will occupy our criminal docket for the coming year requiring significant prosecutorial and investigative resources. Reduced police resources (i.e., elimination of police gang units) require more of the District Attorney's resources to avoid gang crime spinning out of control.

Marijuana - Marijuana cases, particularly large operations masquerading as "medicinal" crops to supply urban storefront retail marijuana shops, are taking more resources to investigate and prosecute as a result of recent court cases which have made this area of prosecution more complex. Environmental damage to sensitive ecosystems caused by large unregulated grows has also demanded additional prosecutorial attention.

Victim/Witness Assistance Center (VWAC) – The Victim/Witness program was transferred from the Probation Department to the District Attorney's Office on January 1, 2012. Besides the physical relocation of the VWAC, staffing was enhanced and victim advocate roles were expanded. Organizational assimilation of VWAC into the District Attorney's Office has resulted in better services to victims: e.g., timely assessment and referral to services, information on their cases and the criminal justice processes, and assistance with state compensation funds (for victims of violent crime). A major project has also been started to increase the ordering of and collection of restitution for crime victims to assist in repairing the toll crime took on their lives.

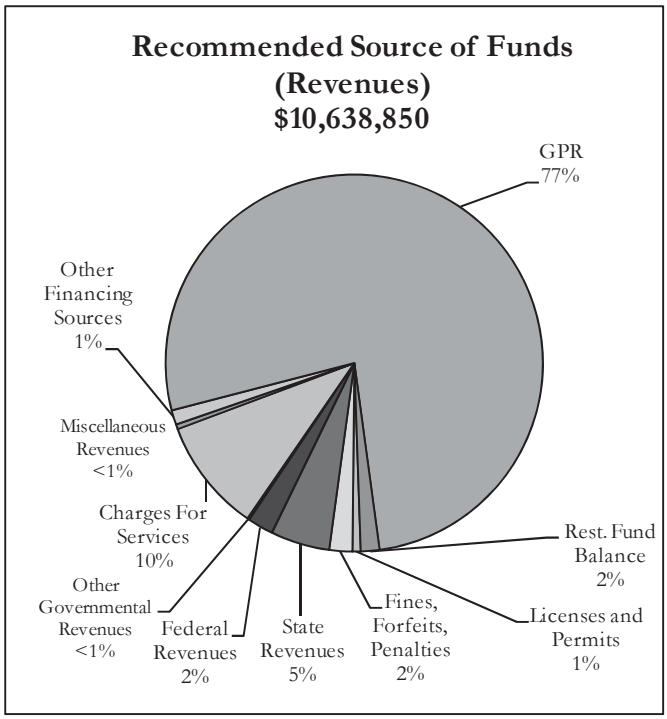
Automation/Integration of the Local Criminal Justice System – The District Attorney's Office continues to be a statewide leader in computer automation and integration with our criminal justice partners. First in the state for electronic search warrants and criminal discovery to defense attorneys, the District Attorney has saved "the system" untold dollars in efficiency savings. This year, a major project to integrate law enforcement computers with our computer system allowing electronically uploaded police files and evidence to the District Attorney is nearing completion. Also planned are enhancements to our Butte Justice Automated Data Sharing (BJADS) project to allow local patrol deputies/officers to know what parole/probation/OR/release conditions a particular suspect may be under, to better monitor and rehabilitate those released early as a result of AB109.

Department Budget

DISTRICT ATTORNEY	2011-12 Actuals	2012-13 Adopted	2013-14 Requested	2013-14 Recommended
Licenses and Permits	-	-	76,111	76,111
Fines, Forfeits, Penalties	217,365	200,966	209,418	209,418
State Revenues	1,212,643	722,984	539,268	539,268
Federal Revenues	210,868	239,435	236,043	236,043
Other Governmental Revenues	14,951		17,264	17,264
Charges For Services	927,909	1,055,500	1,035,000	1,035,000
Miscellaneous Revenues	69,492	279,235	43,138	43,138
Other Financing Sources	92,280	149,199	189,598	134,249
Total Revenues	**$ 2,745,508**	**$ 2,647,319**	**$ 2,345,840**	**$ 2,290,491**
Salaries and Employee Benefits	8,652,898	9,166,199	8,866,970	8,838,687
Services and Supplies	1,103,851	875,515	1,026,327	1,026,327
Other Charges	73,647	82,820	93,784	84,194
Capital Assets	10,821	47,950	30,000	30,000
Total Direct Expenditures	*$ 9,841,217*	*$ 10,172,484*	*$ 10,017,081*	*$ 9,979,208*
Other Financing Uses	467,574	405,709	609,239	659,642
Total Expenditures	**$ 10,308,791**	**$ 10,578,193**	**$ 10,626,320**	**$ 10,638,850**
Net Costs/Use of Fund Balance	**$ 7,563,283**	**$ 7,930,874**	**$ 8,280,480**	**$ 8,348,359**
			2013/14 Recommended Use of GPR	*$ 8,179,704*
			2013/14 Recommended Use of Restricted Fund Balance	*$ 168,655*

Source of Funds (Revenues)

- General purpose revenue (GPR) from the General Fund is the largest revenue source for the department.
- Charges for services include the revenues from non-General Fund departments such as welfare fraud investigations, child support investigations, and bad check program fees.
- State revenues include California Department of Insurance grants for Workers' Compensation and Automobile Insurance Fraud, Vehicle Theft crime program, DUI prosecution, the California Department of Justice, Witness

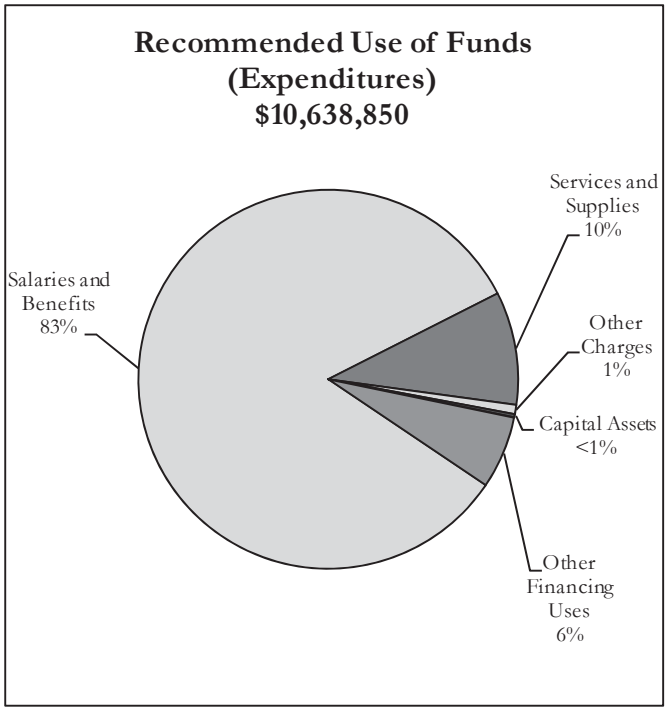


Relocation and Assistance Program (CalWRAP), the Victim Witness Assistance Program grant through CalEMA, and the Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board agreement.

- Federal revenues are comprised of federal asset forfeiture and COPS funds.
- Other governmental revenues include participation in the Butte Interagency Narcotics Task Force.
- Fines, forfeitures and penalties include real estate fraud prosecution fees, environmental prosecution, alcohol and drug lab fees, and criminal lab cost reimbursement.

Use of Funds (Expenditures)

- Salaries and benefits is the largest expenditure category for the department.
- Services and supplies include maintenance of case management systems, lab services, specialized services, utilities, and travel costs.
- Other financing uses include costs for support services, which include Administration, Auditor, County Counsel, General Services, Human Resources, Information Systems, and Treasurer.
- Capital assets include vehicle purchases.



Summary of Budget Request and Recommendations

Salaries & Employee Benefits

Requested

- The department budget request includes the deletion of one vacant Office Specialist position in the Bad Checks program due to insufficient program revenue.
- The department budget request includes funding 1.5 Victim Witness Advocate positions that were previously funded through restricted program funds with General Purpose Revenue.

Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Positions	
2009-10 Adopted Position Allocation	82.50
2010-11 Adopted Position Allocation	86.50
2011-12 Adopted Position Allocation	88.50
2012-13 Adopted Position Allocation	93.00
2012-13 Current Position Allocation*	93.00
2013-14 Recommended Position Allocation	90.00

*As of 4/23/13

Recommended

- The recommendation includes the deletion of one vacant Office Specialist position in the Bad Checks program.
- The recommendation includes the deletion of one vacant Investigator and two 0.5 Investigative Assistant positions from the grant-funded insurance fraud programs.
- The recommendation includes funding for 1.5 Victim Witness Advocate Positions using general purpose revenue. These positions had been previously funded through restricted program funds, which are no longer available.

Services & Supplies

Requested

- The department request includes funding to maintain current service levels.

Recommended

- The recommendation includes funding to maintain current service levels.

Capital Assets

Requested

- The department budget request includes the addition of one vehicle into the vehicle replacement program.

Recommended

- The recommendation includes the addition of one vehicle into the vehicle replacement program.

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BUDGET UNIT 320001 - DISTRICT ATTORNEY - CRIMINAL
FUNCTION PUBLIC PROTECTION
ACTIVITY JUDICIAL
FUND 0010 - GENERAL FUND

Detail by Revenue Category and Expenditure Object		2011-12 Actual	2012-13 Estimated	2013-14 Requested	2013-14 Recommended	2013-14 Adopted by the Board of Supervisors
1		2	3	4	5	6
REVENUES						
20000	LICENSES AND PERMITS	-	-	76,111	76,111	-
30000	FINES, FORFEITS, PENALTIES	217,365	200,966	209,418	209,418	-
40100	USE OF MONEY AND PROPERTY	-	-	-	-	-
50100	STATE REVENUES	645,152	422,792	239,076	239,076	-
50200	FEDERAL REVENUES	162,397	152,138	159,484	159,484	-
50300	OTHER GOVERNMENTAL REVENUES	14,951	-	17,264	17,264	-
TOTAL	INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES	822,500	574,930	415,824	415,824	-
60000	CHARGES FOR SERVICES	292,701	355,500	335,000	335,000	-
70000	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	68,535	69,792	25,000	25,000	-
80000	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	41,261	55,349	110,698	55,349	-
	TOTAL REVENUES	**$1,442,362**	**$1,256,537**	**$1,172,051**	**$1,116,702**	**-**
EXPENDITURES/APPROPRIATIONS						
510	SALARIES & EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	7,800,659	8,037,767	7,869,077	7,840,794	-
520	SERVICES AND SUPPLIES	889,478	724,385	854,815	854,815	-
550	OTHER CHARGES	73,324	82,759	93,784	84,194	-
560	CAPITAL ASSETS					
	EQUIPMENT	10,821	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL CAPITAL ASSETS	10,821	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	DIRECT	8,774,282	8,844,911	8,817,676	8,779,803	-
570	OTHER FINANCING USES	276,639	124,021	354,862	405,265	-
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES/APPROP.	**$9,050,921**	**$8,968,932**	**$9,172,538**	**$9,185,068**	**-**
NET COSTS / USE OF FUND BALANCE		**$7,608,559**	**$7,712,395**	**$8,000,487**	**$8,068,366**	**-**

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BUDGET UNIT 320003 - DISTRICT ATTORNEY-CHILD ABDUCTION
FUNCTION PUBLIC PROTECTION
ACTIVITY JUDICIAL
FUND 0010 - GENERAL FUND

Detail by Revenue Category and Expenditure Object		2011-12 Actual	2012-13 Estimated	2013-14 Requested	2013-14 Recommended	2013-14 Adopted by the Board of Supervisors
1		2	3	4	5	6
REVENUES						
50100	STATE REVENUES	450,325	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES	450,325	-	-	-	-
70000	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	35	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL REVENUES	**$450,360**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
EXPENDITURES/APPROPRIATIONS						
510	SALARIES & EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	151,232	164,496	167,702	167,702	-
520	SERVICES AND SUPPLIES	7,185	6,035	4,618	4,618	-
TOTAL	DIRECT	158,417	170,531	172,320	172,320	-
570	OTHER FINANCING USES	37,377	47,948	47,641	47,641	-
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES/APPROP.	**$195,794**	**$218,479**	**$219,961**	**$219,961**	**-**
NET COSTS / USE OF FUND BALANCE		**($254,566)**	**$218,479**	**$219,961**	**$219,961**	**-**

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BUDGET UNIT 320005 - DISTRICT ATTORNEY-WELFARE FRAUD
FUNCTION PUBLIC PROTECTION
ACTIVITY JUDICIAL
FUND 0010 - GENERAL FUND

Detail by Revenue Category and Expenditure Object		2011-12 Actual	2012-13 Estimated	2013-14 Requested	2013-14 Recommended	2013-14 Adopted by the Board of Supervisors
1		2	3	4	5	6
REVENUES						
60000	CHARGES FOR SERVICES	635,208	700,000	700,000	700,000	-
70000	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	887	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL REVENUES	**$636,095**	**$700,000**	**$700,000**	**$700,000**	**-**
EXPENDITURES/APPROPRIATIONS						
510	SALARIES & EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	494,184	555,452	537,834	537,834	-
520	SERVICES AND SUPPLIES	17,834	10,978	11,876	11,876	-
TOTAL	DIRECT	512,018	566,430	549,710	549,710	-
570	OTHER FINANCING USES	123,289	133,570	150,290	150,290	-
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES/APPROP.	**$635,307**	**$700,000**	**$700,000**	**$700,000**	**-**
NET COSTS / USE OF FUND BALANCE		**($788)**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**

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BUDGET UNIT 320006 - DISTRICT ATTORNEY-IHSS FRAUD
FUNCTION PUBLIC PROTECTION
ACTIVITY JUDICIAL
FUND 0010 - GENERAL FUND

Detail by Revenue Category and Expenditure Object		2011-12 Actual	2012-13 Estimated	2013-14 Requested	2013-14 Recommended	2013-14 Adopted by the Board of Supervisors
1		2	3	4	5	6
REVENUES						
70000	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	35	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL REVENUES	**$35**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
EXPENDITURES/APPROPRIATIONS						
510	SALARIES & EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	61,223	-	-	-	-
520	SERVICES AND SUPPLIES	706	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	DIRECT	61,929	-	-	-	-
570	OTHER FINANCING USES	5,184	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES/APPROP.	**$67,113**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
NET COSTS / USE OF FUND BALANCE		**$67,078**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**

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BUDGET UNIT 320007 - DISTRICT ATTORNEY-VICTIM WITNESS
FUNCTION PUBLIC PROTECTION
ACTIVITY JUDICIAL
FUND 0010 - GENERAL FUND

Detail by Revenue Category and Expenditure Object		2011-12 Actual	2012-13 Estimated	2013-14 Requested	2013-14 Recommended	2013-14 Adopted by the Board of Supervisors
1		2	3	4	5	6
REVENUES						
50100	STATE REVENUES	52,731	104,752	104,752	104,752	-
50200	FEDERAL REVENUES	48,471	87,297	76,559	76,559	-
TOTAL	INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES	101,202	192,049	181,311	181,311	-
70000	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	-	184,928	-	-	-
	TOTAL REVENUES	**$101,202**	**$376,977**	**$181,311**	**$181,311**	**-**
EXPENDITURES/APPROPRIATIONS						
510	SALARIES & EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	91,774	303,050	187,504	187,504	-
520	SERVICES AND SUPPLIES	35,167	7,878	2,209	2,209	-
550	OTHER CHARGES	323	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	DIRECT	127,264	310,928	189,713	189,713	-
570	OTHER FINANCING USES	23,285	66,049	21,630	21,630	-
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES/APPROP.	**$150,549**	**$376,977**	**$211,343**	**$211,343**	**-**
NET COSTS / USE OF FUND BALANCE		**$49,347**	**-**	**$30,032**	**$30,032**	**-**

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BUDGET UNIT 320008 - DISTRICT ATTORNEY-BOARD OF CONTROL
FUNCTION PUBLIC PROTECTION
ACTIVITY JUDICIAL
FUND 0010 - GENERAL FUND

Detail by Revenue Category and Expenditure Object		2011-12 Actual	2012-13 Estimated	2013-14 Requested	2013-14 Recommended	2013-14 Adopted by the Board of Supervisors
1		2	3	4	5	6
REVENUES						
50100	STATE REVENUES	64,435	195,440	195,440	195,440	-
TOTAL	INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES	64,435	195,440	195,440	195,440	-
70000	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	-	24,515	18,138	18,138	-
	TOTAL REVENUES	**$64,435**	**$219,955**	**$213,578**	**$213,578**	**-**
EXPENDITURES/APPROPRIATIONS						
510	SALARIES & EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	53,826	105,434	104,853	104,853	-
520	SERVICES AND SUPPLIES	29,842	79,899	75,268	75,268	-
550	OTHER CHARGES	-	61	-	-	-
TOTAL	DIRECT	83,668	185,394	180,121	180,121	-
570	OTHER FINANCING USES	2,088	34,561	33,457	33,457	-
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES/APPROP.	**$85,756**	**$219,955**	**$213,578**	**$213,578**	**-**
NET COSTS / USE OF FUND BALANCE		**$21,321**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**

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BUDGET UNIT 320055 - DISTRICT ATTORNEY-STATE COPS
FUNCTION PUBLIC PROTECTION
ACTIVITY JUDICIAL
FUND 0010 - GENERAL FUND

Detail by Revenue Category and Expenditure Object		2011-12 Actual	2012-13 Estimated	2013-14 Requested	2013-14 Recommended	2013-14 Adopted by the Board of Supervisors
1		2	3	4	5	6
REVENUES						
80000	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	51,019	45,900	78,900	78,900	-
	TOTAL REVENUES	**$51,019**	**$45,900**	**$78,900**	**$78,900**	**-**
EXPENDITURES/APPROPRIATIONS						
520	SERVICES AND SUPPLIES	44,016	46,340	77,541	77,541	-
TOTAL	DIRECT	44,016	46,340	77,541	77,541	-
570	OTHER FINANCING USES	(288)	(440)	1,359	1,359	-
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES/APPROP.	**$43,728**	**$45,900**	**$78,900**	**$78,900**	**-**
NET COSTS / USE OF FUND BALANCE		**($7,291)**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**

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BUDGET UNIT 175003 - DA-EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT
FUNCTION PUBLIC PROTECTION
ACTIVITY JUDICIAL
FUND 0042 - EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT FUND

Detail by Revenue Category and Expenditure Object		2011-12 Actual	2012-13 Estimated	2013-14 Requested	2013-14 Recommended	2013-14 Adopted by the Board of Supervisors
1		2	3	4	5	6
REVENUES						
60000	CHARGES FOR SERVICES	-	-	-	-	-
80000	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	-	47,950	-	-	-
	TOTAL REVENUES	**-**	**$47,950**	**-**	**-**	**-**
EXPENDITURES/APPROPRIATIONS						
560	CAPITAL ASSETS					
	EQUIPMENT	-	47,950	30,000	30,000	-
	TOTAL CAPITAL ASSETS	-	47,950	30,000	30,000	-
TOTAL	DIRECT	-	47,950	30,000	30,000	-
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES/APPROP.	**-**	**$47,950**	**$30,000**	**$30,000**	**-**
NET COSTS / USE OF FUND BALANCE		**-**	**-**	**$30,000**	**$30,000**	**-**

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BUDGET UNIT 321 - DISTRICT ATTORNEY-STATE COPS
FUNCTION PUBLIC PROTECTION
ACTIVITY JUDICIAL
FUND 0050 - SPPL LAW ENF.SVCS

Detail by Revenue Category and Expenditure Object		2011-12 Actual	2012-13 Estimated	2013-14 Requested	2013-14 Recommended	2013-14 Adopted by the Board of Supervisors
1		2	3	4	5	6
EXPENDITURES/APPROPRIATIONS						
520	SERVICES AND SUPPLIES	79,623	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	DIRECT	79,623	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES/APPROP.	**$79,623**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
NET COSTS / USE OF FUND BALANCE		**$79,623**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**