

# Office of the District Attorney

## 2013 Proposed Budget

# District Attorney

## 2013 Budget Request – General Fund

<b>General Fund</b>	<b>\$10,680,804</b>
Personal Services	8,568,276
General Operating	471,601
Decision Packages	524,291
Priority #1 – Accountability Court	299,149
Priority #2 – Court Certified Interpreter	59,236
Priority #3 – Assistant Chief Investigator	122,089
Priority #4 – Clerk	43,817
Projected Revenue	2,000

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## 2013 Budget Request – Crime Victim Fund

<b>Crime Victim Fund</b>	<b>\$433,234</b>
Personal Services	399,338
General Operating	30,500
Projected Revenue	395,464

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## 2013 Budget Request – Federal Asset Forfeiture Fund

<b>General Operating</b>	<b>\$205,000</b>
Projected Revenue	205,000

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## 2013 Budget Request – HIDTA

<b>HIDTA</b>	<b>\$239,272</b>
Personal Services	239,272
Reimbursed to County	239,272

# Decision Packages

- There are four decision packages being requested in the 2013 Budget for the Office of the District Attorney.
- **Priority #1 – Accountability Court**
  - HB1176 allows the courts to implement Accountability Courts.
  - The Accountability Court encompasses Drug Court, Mental Health Court, and Veterans Court.
  - The purpose of the Courts would be to provide services and treatment in lieu of a jail or prison sentence for individuals that suffer from mental illness or PTSD.

# Decision Packages

- **Priority #2 – Court Certified Interpreter**
  - As a result of being awarded grant funds from the *American Recovery and Reinvestment Act*, the District Attorney's Office has been able to maintain a full time Spanish language interpreter since April 2010.
  - The benefit to our office has been invaluable.
  - Staff within the District Attorney's office have been able to better fulfill their assigned tasks with cases that involve Spanish-speaking defendants and/or victims.
  - Communication with Spanish-speaking victims has improved and there has been less interruption of duties of other Spanish-speaking staff.

# Decision Packages

- **Priority #3 – Assistant Chief Investigator**
  - The Assistant Chief Investigator would have two primary functions.
  - The first would be to serve as the lead investigator for public corruption investigations. In recent years, the number of special investigations into public corruption has increased significantly. The investigations are complex and require a significant amount of time to thoroughly investigate.
  - The second would be to assist the Chief Investigator in the daily operations and supervision of the Criminal Investigator staff. The Assistant Chief Investigator would conduct performance evaluations and ensure policy and procedures are followed and make disciplinary recommendations.



# Decision Packages

- **Priority #4 – Clerk**

As a result of being awarded grant funds through the *American Recovery and Reinvestment Act*, the District Attorney's Office has maintained a full-time clerk that assists Victim Witness Program with reception duties and the support staff of the District Attorney's office by opening files, filing closed files and documents, and other clerical duties. This position has been extremely valuable to both divisions.

# Budget Increase or Reduction

- There has been an increase to the requested Budget for 2013 in the General Fund. Due to the increased costs of supplies and products, there is an increase to the amount of General Operating Funds requested.
- There are no increases to the requested Budget for 2013 in the Crime Victim Fund, the HIDTA fund or the Federal Asset Forfeiture Fund.

# Service Reductions

- The Office has not made any service reductions for 2012 and has no plans for service reductions in 2013.
- Due to the nature of the services this office provides, a reduction in services would hinder timely prosecution of cases and jeopardize the safety of our community.