



**Program #15207B - MCDA Access Attorney Program (MAAP) Expansion - Attorney, Victim Advocate, and Office Assistant** 3/7/2022

**Department:** District Attorney **Program Contact:** Kirsten Snowden  
**Program Offer Type:** Innovative/New Program **Program Offer Stage:** As Requested  
**Related Programs:**  
**Program Characteristics:** Out of Target

**Executive Summary**

This program offer expands the capacity of the MCDA Access Attorney Program (MAAP), funding an attorney supervisor to provide added support and coverage across the county, a second Victim’s Advocate to enable additional relationship-building with crime victims, and an Office Assistant for logistical support necessitated by the addition of the other staff. The additional staff will coordinate additional meetings between Access DDAs and community members and prepare case files for prosecution.

**Program Summary**

The MCDA Access Attorney Program will strategically place one deputy district attorney (DDA) in each county district. The deputy district attorney supervisor added by this expansion offer would be available to any geographic area where additional support is needed, with a priority for areas with high concentrations of poverty, crime victims, and historically marginalized or under-represented communities. Activities of the attorney supervisor will include overseeing investigations that span more than one county district; informing the District Attorney of community concerns; hosting and attending meetings and events in priority areas, often with the assigned Access DDA; developing and maintaining relationships with local community members, stakeholders, and law enforcement; prosecuting high-profile felony and misdemeanor cases emerging from community contacts; and providing resources and diversion options as an alternative to prosecution. In addition, the attorney supervisor will provide coverage when an area’s assigned Access DDA is unavailable due to trial or leave, to ensure uninterrupted access by the community.

Adding a second Victim’s Advocate would allow each Victim’s Advocate to focus on two districts and those areas’ distinct community needs, rather than one advocate covering all four districts. This would ensure deeper relationships with the community and more responsiveness to each area’s Access DDA. Having a second Victim’s Advocate would double the number of crime victims receiving contacts through this program.

The Office Assistant would help manage the additional work generated by the attorney supervisor and Victim’s Advocate, as well as ensuring an efficient division of labor between tasks most suited to the Legal Assistant in the base offer. The Office Assistant would also coordinate with office assistants in other MCDA units to ensure that the prosecution of defendants with multiple pending cases are strategically coordinated to ensure the best outcomes.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY21 Actual	FY22 Budgeted	FY22 Estimate	FY23 Offer
Output	Number of additional contacts with community members and stakeholders over option A	N/A	N/A	N/A	120
Outcome	Number of additional cases issued as a result of contacts over option A	N/A	N/A	N/A	25
Quality	% increase over option A of contacts that rate service as meeting or exceeding their expectation	N/A	N/A	N/A	5
Output	Number of additional community member resource referrals over option A	N/A	N/A	N/A	12

**Performance Measures Descriptions**

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Requested General Fund	Requested Other Funds
Program Expenses	2022	2022	2023	2023
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$443,540	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$3,000	\$0
<b>Total GF/non-GF</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$446,540</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Program Total:</b>	<b>\$0</b>		<b>\$446,540</b>	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	3.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: