

CERTIFICATION OF ASSURANCE OF COMPLIANCE
Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Act (FSIA) Fund

The Applicant must complete a Certification of Assurance of Compliance - FSIA (Cal OES 2-104e), which includes details regarding federal grant funds, the Equal Employment Opportunity, Drug Free Workplace Compliance, California Environmental Quality Act, Lobbying, Debarment and Suspension requirements, Proof of Authority from City Council/Governing Board, Civil Rights Compliance, and the special conditions for Subaward with the above mentioned fund. The Applicant is required to submit the necessary assurances and documentation before finalization of the Grant Subaward. In signing the Grant Subaward Face Sheet, the Applicant formally notifies Cal OES that the Applicant will comply with all pertinent requirements.

Resolutions are no longer required as submission documents. Cal OES has incorporated the resolution into the Certification of Assurance of Compliance, Section VII, entitled, "Proof of Authority from City Council/Governing Board." The Applicant is required to obtain written authorization (original signature) from the City Council/Governing board that the official executing the Grant Subaward is, in fact, authorized to do so, and will maintain said written authorization on file and readily available upon demand. This requirement does not apply to state agencies.

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I, Thomas Trester hereby certify that
(official authorized to sign; same person as Section 15 on Grant Subaward Face Sheet)

Subrecipient: Fresno County

Implementing Agency: Fresno County Sheriff's Office

Project Title: Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Program

is responsible for reviewing the *Subrecipient Handbook* and adhering to all of the Grant Subaward requirements (state and/or federal) as directed by Cal OES including, but not limited to, the following areas:

I. Federal Grant Funds

Subrecipients expending \$750,000 or more in federal grant funds annually are required to secure an audit pursuant to Office of Management & Budget (OMB) Uniform Guidance 2 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Subpart F and are allowed to utilize federal grant funds to budget for the audit costs. See Section 8000 of the *Subrecipient Handbook* for more detail.

- The above named Subrecipient receives \$750,000 or more in federal grant funds annually.
- The above named Subrecipient does not receive \$750,000 or more in federal grant funds annually.

II. Equal Employment Opportunity – (Subrecipient Handbook Section 2151)

It is the public policy of the State of California to promote equal employment opportunity (EEO) by prohibiting discrimination or harassment in employment because of race, color, religion, religious creed (including religious dress and grooming practices), national origin, ancestry, citizenship, physical or mental disability, medical condition (including cancer and genetic characteristics), genetic information, marital status, sex (including pregnancy, childbirth, breastfeeding, or related medical conditions), gender, gender identity, gender expression, age, sexual orientation, veteran and/or military status, protected medical leaves (requesting or approved for leave under the Family and Medical Leave Act or the California Family Rights Act), domestic violence victim status, political affiliation, and any other status protected by state or federal law. **Cal OES-funded projects certify that they will comply with all state and federal requirements regarding EEO, nondiscrimination, and civil rights.**

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III. Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1990 – (Subrecipient Handbook, Section 2152)

The State of California requires that every person or organization subawarded a grant or contract shall certify it will provide a drug-free workplace.

IV. California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) – (Subrecipient Handbook, Section 2153)

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (*Public Resources Code, Section 21000 et seq.*) requires all Cal OES-funded projects to certify compliance with CEQA. Projects receiving funding must coordinate with their city or county planning agency to ensure that the project is compliance with CEQA requirements.

V. Lobbying – (Subrecipient Handbook Section 2154)

Cal OES grant funds, grant property, or grant-funded positions shall not be used for any lobbying activities, including, but not limited to, being paid by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the making of any federal grant, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal grant or cooperative agreement.

VI. Debarment and Suspension – (Subrecipient Handbook Section 2155)

(This applies to federally-funded grants only.)

Cal OES-funded projects must certify that it and its principals are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, sentenced to a denial of federal benefits by a state or federal court, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal department of agency.

VII. Proof of Authority from City Council/Governing Board – (Subrecipient Handbook Section 1350)

The above-named organization (Applicant) accepts responsibility for and must comply with the requirement to obtain a signed resolution from the City Council/Governing Board in support of this Program. The Applicant must provide all matching funds required for said project (including any amendment thereof) under the Program and the funding terms and conditions of Cal OES, and that any cash match will be appropriated as required. It is agreed that any liability arising out of the performance of this Grant Subaward, including civil court actions for damages, shall be the responsibility of the grant Subrecipient and the authorizing agency. The State of California and Cal OES disclaim responsibility of any such liability. Furthermore, it is also agreed that grant funds received from Cal OES shall not be used to supplant expenditures controlled by the City Council/Governing Board.

The Applicant is required to obtain written authorization from the City Council/Governing Board that the official executing this Grant Subaward is, in fact, authorized to do so. The Applicant is also required to maintain said written authorization on file and readily available upon demand.

VIII. Civil Rights Compliance

The Subrecipient complies with all laws that prohibit excluding, denying or discriminating against any person based on actual or perceived race, color, national origin, disability, religion, age, sex, gender identity, and sexual orientation in both the delivery of services and employment practices and does not use federal financial assistance to engage in explicitly religious activities.

IX. Special Condition for Grant Subaward with Paul Coverdell Forensic Improvement Act Program Funds

1. Applicability of Part 200 Uniform Requirements

The Subrecipient must comply with the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements in 2 C.F.R. Part 200, as adopted and supplemented by DOJ in 2 C.F.R. Part 2800 (together, the "Part 200 Uniform Requirements") apply to this FY 2019 award from OJP.

The Part 200 Uniform Requirements were first adopted by DOJ on December 26, 2014. If this FY 2019 award supplements funds previously awarded by OJP under the same award number (e.g., funds awarded during or before December 2014), the Part 200 Uniform Requirements apply with respect to all funds under that award number (regardless of the award date, and regardless of whether derived from the initial award or a supplemental award) that are obligated on or after the acceptance date of this FY 2019 award.

For more information and resources on the Part 200 Uniform Requirements as they relate to OJP awards and Subawards ("Subgrants"), see the OJP website at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Part200UniformRequirements.htm>.

Record retention and access: Records pertinent to the award that the Subrecipient must retain -- typically for a period of 3 years from the date of submission of the final expenditure report (SF 425), unless a different retention period applies -- and to which the Subrecipient must provide access, include performance measurement information, in addition to the financial records, supporting documents, statistical records, and other pertinent records indicated at 2 C.F.R. 200.333.

In the event that an award-related question arises from documents or other materials prepared or distributed by OJP that may appear to conflict with, or differ in some way from, the provisions of the Part 200 Uniform Requirements, the Subrecipient is to contact OJP promptly for clarification.

2. Compliance with DOJ Grants Financial Guide

The Subrecipient must to comply with the DOJ Grants Financial Guide. References to the DOJ Grants Financial Guide are to the DOJ Grants Financial Guide as posted on the OJP website (currently, the "DOJ Grants Financial Guide" available at <https://ojp.gov/financialguide/DOJ/index.htm>), including any updated version that may be posted during the period of performance. The Subrecipient must comply with the DOJ Grants Financial Guide.

3. Hiring Documents

The Subrecipient must keep, maintain, and preserve all documentation (such as Form I-9s or equivalents) regarding the eligibility of employees hired using the funds.

4. Requirement to report actual or imminent breach of personally identifiable information (PII)

The Subrecipient must have written procedures in place to respond in the event of an actual or imminent "breach" (OMB M-17-12) if it – (1) creates, collects, uses, processes, stores, maintains, disseminates, discloses, or disposes of "personally identifiable information (PII)" (2 CFR 200.79) within the scope of an OJP grant-funded program or activity, or (2) uses or operates a "Federal information system" (OMB Circular A-130). The Subrecipient's breach procedures must include a requirement to report actual or imminent breach of PII to an OJP Program Manager no later than 24 hours after an occurrence of an actual breach, or the detection of an imminent breach.

5. All Subawards ("Subgrants") must have specific federal authorization

The Subrecipient must comply with all applicable requirements for authorization of any Subaward. This condition applies to agreements that -- for purposes of federal grants administrative requirements -- OJP considers a "Subaward" (and therefore does not consider a procurement "contract").

The details of the requirement for authorization of any Subaward are posted on the OJP web site at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/SubawardAuthorization.htm> (Award condition: All Subawards ("Subgrants") must have specific federal authorization), and are incorporated by reference here.

6. Specific post-award approval required to use a noncompetitive approach in any procurement contract that would exceed \$250,000

The Subrecipient must comply with all applicable requirements to obtain specific advance approval to use a noncompetitive approach in any procurement contract that would exceed the Simplified Acquisition Threshold (currently, \$250,000). This condition applies to agreements that -- for purposes of

federal grants administrative requirements -- OJP considers a procurement "contract" (and therefore does not consider a Subaward).

The details of the requirement for advance approval to use a noncompetitive approach in a procurement contract under an OJP award are posted on the OJP web site at

<https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/NoncompetitiveProcurement.htm> (Award condition: Specific post-award approval required to use a noncompetitive approach in a procurement contract (if contract would exceed \$250,000)), and are incorporated by reference here.

7. Unreasonable restrictions on competition under the award; association with federal government

SCOPE. This condition applies with respect to any procurement of property or services that is funded (in whole or in part) by this award regardless of the dollar amount of the purchase or acquisition, the method of procurement, or the nature of any legal instrument used.

a. No discrimination, in procurement transactions, against associates of the federal government

Consistent with the (DOJ) Part 200 Uniform Requirements -- including as set out at 2 C.F.R. 200.300 (requiring awards to be "manage[d] and administer[ed] in a manner so as to ensure that Federal funding is expended and associated programs are implemented in full accordance with U.S. statutory and public policy requirements") and 200.319(a) (generally requiring "[a]ll procurement transactions [to] be conducted in a manner providing full and open competition" and forbidding practices "restrictive of competition," such as "[p]lacing unreasonable requirements on firms in order for them to qualify to do business" and taking "[a]ny arbitrary action in the procurement process") -- no Subrecipient may (in any procurement transaction) discriminate against any person or entity on the basis of such person or entity's status as an "associate of the federal government" (or on the basis of such person or entity's status as a parent, affiliate, or subsidiary of such an associate), except as expressly set out in 2 C.F.R. 200.319(a) or as specifically authorized by USDOJ.

b. Monitoring

The Subrecipient's monitoring responsibilities include monitoring of compliance with this condition.

c. Allowable costs

To the extent that such costs are not reimbursed under any other federal program, award funds may be obligated for the reasonable, necessary, and

allocable costs (if any) of actions designed to ensure compliance with this condition.

d. Rules of construction

- o The term "associate of the federal government" means any person or entity engaged or employed (in the past or at present) by or on behalf of the federal government -- as an employee, contractor or subcontractor, grant Subrecipient, agent, or otherwise -- in undertaking any work, project, or activity for or on behalf of (or in providing goods or services to or on behalf of) the federal government, and includes any applicant for such employment or engagement, and any person or entity committed by legal instrument to undertake any such work, project, or activity (or to provide such goods or services) in future.
- o Nothing in this condition shall be understood to authorize or require any Subrecipient or any person or other entity, to violate any federal law, including any applicable civil rights or nondiscrimination law.

8. Requirements Pertaining to Prohibited Conduct Related to Trafficking in Persons (including reporting requirements and OJP authority to terminate award)

The Subrecipient must comply with all applicable requirements (including requirements to report allegations) pertaining to prohibited conduct related to the trafficking of persons, whether on the part of Subrecipients, Subrecipients ("Subgrantees"), or individuals defined (for purposes of this condition) as "employees" of the Subrecipient or of any Subrecipient.

The details of the Subrecipient's obligations related to prohibited conduct related to trafficking in persons are posted on the OJP web site at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/ProhibitedConduct-Trafficking.htm> (Award condition: Prohibited conduct by Subrecipients and Subrecipients related to trafficking in persons (including reporting requirements and OJP authority to terminate award)), and are incorporated by reference here.

9. Determination of suitability to interact with participating minors

SCOPE. This condition applies to this award if it is indicated -- in the application for the award (as approved by DOJ, the DOJ funding announcement (solicitation), or an associated federal statute -- that a purpose of some or all of the activities to be carried out under the award is to benefit a set of individuals under 18 years of age.

The Subrecipient must make determinations of suitability before certain individuals may interact with participating minors. This requirement applies regardless of an individual's employment status.

The details of this requirement are posted on the OJP web site at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/Interact-Minors.htm> (Award condition:

Determination of suitability required, in advance, for certain individuals who may interact with participating minors), and are incorporated by reference here.

10. Compliance with Applicable Rules Regarding Approval, Planning, and Reporting of Conferences, Meetings, Trainings, and Other Events

The Subrecipient must comply with all applicable laws, regulations, policies, and official DOJ guidance (including specific cost limits, prior approval and reporting requirements, where applicable) governing the use of federal funds for expenses related to conferences (as that term is defined by DOJ), including the provision of food and/or beverages at such conferences, and costs of attendance at such conferences.

Information on the pertinent DOJ definition of conferences and the rules applicable to this award appears in the DOJ Grants Financial Guide (currently, as section 3.10 of "Postaward Requirements" in the "DOJ Grants Financial Guide").

11. OJP Training Guiding Principles

Any training or training materials that the Subrecipient develops or delivers with OJP award funds must adhere to the OJP Training Guiding Principles for Grantees and Subgrantees, available at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Implement/TrainingPrinciplesForGrantees-Subgrantees.htm>.

12. Compliance with DOJ regulations pertaining to civil rights and nondiscrimination – 28 C.F.R. Part 42

The Subrecipient must comply with all applicable requirements of 28 C.F.R. Part 42, specifically including any applicable requirements in Subpart E of 28 C.F.R. Part 42 that relate to an equal employment opportunity program.

13. Compliance with DOJ regulations pertaining to civil rights and nondiscrimination - 28 C.F.R. Part 54

The Subrecipient must comply with all applicable requirements of 28 C.F.R. Part 54, which relates to nondiscrimination on the basis of sex in certain "education programs."

14. Compliance with DOJ regulations pertaining to civil rights and nondiscrimination - 28 C.F.R. Part 38

The Subrecipient must comply with all applicable requirements of 28 C.F.R. Part 38 (as may be applicable from time to time), specifically including any

applicable requirements regarding written notice to program beneficiaries and prospective program beneficiaries.

Currently, among other things, 28 C.F.R. Part 38 includes rules that prohibit specific forms of discrimination on the basis of religion, a religious belief, a refusal to hold a religious belief, or refusal to attend or participate in a religious practice. Part 38, currently, also sets out rules and requirements that pertain to Subrecipient organizations that engage in or conduct explicitly religious activities, as well as rules and requirements that pertain to Subrecipients and Subrecipients that are faith-based or religious organizations.

The text of 28 C.F.R. Part 38 is available via the Electronic Code of Federal Regulations (currently accessible at <https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/ECFR?page=browse>), by browsing to Title 28-Judicial Administration, Chapter 1, Part 38, under e-CFR "current" data.

15. Restrictions on "Lobbying"

In general, as a matter of federal law, federal funds awarded by OJP may not be used by the Subrecipient, either directly or indirectly, to support or oppose the enactment, repeal, modification, or adoption of any law, regulation, or policy, at any level of government. See 18 U.S.C. 1913. (There may be exceptions if an applicable federal statute specifically authorizes certain activities that otherwise would be barred by law.)

Another federal law generally prohibits federal funds awarded by OJP from being used by the Subrecipient to pay any person to influence (or attempt to influence) a federal agency, a Member of Congress, or Congress (or an official or employee of any of them) with respect to the awarding of a federal grant or cooperative agreement, Subgrant, contract, subcontract, or loan, or with respect to actions such as renewing, extending, or modifying any such award. See 31 U.S.C. 1352. Certain exceptions to this law apply, including an exception that applies to Indian tribes and tribal organizations.

Should any question arise as to whether a particular use of federal funds by a Subrecipient would or might fall within the scope of these prohibitions, the Subrecipient is to contact OJP for guidance, and may not proceed without the express prior written approval of OJP.

16. Compliance with general appropriations-law restrictions on the use of federal funds (FY 2019)

The recipient, and any Subrecipient ("Subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable restrictions on the use of federal funds set out in federal appropriations statutes. Pertinent restrictions, including from various "general provisions" in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2019, are set out at

<https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/FY19AppropriationsRestrictions.htm>, and are incorporated by reference here.

Should a question arise as to whether a particular use of federal funds by a recipient (or a Subrecipient) would or might fall within the scope of an appropriations-law restriction, the recipient is to contact OJP for guidance, and may not proceed without the express prior written approval of OJP.

17. Reporting Potential Fraud, Waste, & Abuse

The Subrecipient must promptly refer to DOJ Office of the Inspector General (OIG) any credible evidence that a principal, employee, agent, Subrecipient, contractor, subcontractor, or other person has, in connection with funds under this award -- (1) submitted a claim that violates the False Claims Act; or (2) committed a criminal or civil violation of laws pertaining to fraud, conflict of interest, bribery, gratuity, or similar misconduct. Potential fraud, waste, abuse, or misconduct involving or relating to funds under this award should be reported to the OIG by--(1) online submission accessible via the OIG webpage at <https://oig.justice.gov/hotline/contact-grants.htm> (select "Submit Report Online"); (2) mail directed to: Office of the Inspector General, U.S. Department of Justice, Investigations Division, 1425 New York Avenue, N.W. Suite 7100, Washington, DC 20530; and/or (3) by facsimile directed to the DOJ OIG Fraud Detection Office (Attn: Grantee Reporting) at (202) 616-9881 (fax).

18. Restrictions and Certifications Regarding Non-Disclosure Agreements and Related Matters

No Subrecipient under this award, or entity that receives a procurement contract or subcontract with any funds under this award, may require any employee or contractor to sign an internal confidentiality agreement or statement that prohibits or otherwise restricts, or purports to prohibit or restrict, the reporting (in accordance with law) of waste, fraud, or abuse to an investigative or law enforcement representative of a federal department or agency authorized to receive such information.

The foregoing is not intended, and shall not be understood by the agency making this award, to contravene requirements applicable to Standard Form 312 (which relates to classified information), Form 4414 (which relates to sensitive compartmented information), or any other form issued by a federal department or agency governing the nondisclosure of classified information.

a. In accepting this award, the Subrecipient:

- o Represents that it neither requires nor has required internal confidentiality agreements or statements from employees or contractors that currently prohibit or otherwise currently restrict (or purport to prohibit or restrict) employees or contractors from reporting waste, fraud, or abuse as described above; and

- o Certifies that, if it learns or is notified that it is or has been requiring its employees or contractors to execute agreements or statements that prohibit or otherwise restrict (or purport to prohibit or restrict), reporting of waste, fraud, or abuse as described above, it will immediately stop any further obligations of award funds, will provide prompt written notification to the federal agency making this award, and will resume (or permit resumption of) such obligations only if expressly authorized to do so by that agency.
- b. If the Subrecipient does or is authorized under this award to make Subawards, procurement contracts, or both:
- o It represents that (1) it has determined that no other entity that the Subrecipient's application proposes may or will receive award funds (whether through a Subaward, procurement contract, or subcontract under a procurement contract) either requires or has required internal confidentiality agreements or statements from employees or contractors that currently prohibit or otherwise currently restrict (or purport to prohibit or restrict) employees or contractors from reporting waste, fraud, or abuse as described above; and (2) it has made appropriate inquiry, or otherwise has an adequate factual basis, to support this representation; and
 - o It certifies that, if it learns or is notified that any Subrecipient, contractor, or subcontractor entity that receives funds under this award is or has been requiring its employees or contractors to execute agreements or statements that prohibit or otherwise restrict (or purport to prohibit or restrict), reporting of waste, fraud, or abuse as described above, it will immediately stop any further obligations of award funds to or by that entity, will provide prompt written notification to the federal agency making this award, and will resume (or permit resumption of) such obligations only if expressly authorized to do so by that agency.
19. Compliance with 41 U.S.C. 4712 (including prohibitions on reprisal; notice to employees)

The Subrecipient must comply with, and is subject to, all applicable provisions of 41 U.S.C. 4712, including all applicable provisions that prohibit, under specified circumstances, discrimination against an employee as reprisal for the employee's disclosure of information related to gross mismanagement of a federal grant, a gross waste of federal funds, an abuse of authority relating to a federal grant, a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety, or a violation of law, rule, or regulation related to a federal grant.

The Subrecipient also must inform its employees, in writing (and in the predominant native language of the workforce), of employee rights and remedies under 41 U.S.C. 4712.

Should a question arise as to the applicability of the provisions of 41 U.S.C. 4712 to this award, the Subrecipient is to contact the DOJ awarding agency (OJP or OVW, as appropriate) for guidance.

20. Encouragement of Policies to Ban Text Messaging while Driving

Pursuant to Executive Order 13513, "Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging While Driving," 74 Fed. Reg. 51225 (October 1, 2009), the Subrecipient understands that DOJ encourages Subrecipients to adopt and enforce policies banning employees from text messaging while driving any vehicle during the course of performing work funded by this award, and to establish workplace safety policies and conduct education, awareness, and other outreach to decrease crashes caused by distracted drivers.

21. Use of Funds; No Research

Funds provided under this Subaward shall be used only for the purposes and types of expenses set forth in the Request for Application. Funds shall not be used for general law enforcement functions or non-forensic investigatory functions, and shall not be used for research or statistical projects or activities. Use of Subaward funds for construction of new facilities is restricted by statute. Any questions concerning this provision should be directed to the Cal OES Program Specialist prior to incurring the expense or commencing the activity in question.

Performance Measures

To ensure compliance with the Government Performance and Results Act (Pub. L. No. 103-62) and the GPRA Modernization Act of 2010 (Pub. L. No. 111-352), program performance under this Subaward is measured by the following:

- o Percent reduction in the average number of days from the submission of a sample to a forensic science laboratory to the delivery of test results to a requesting office or agency (calculated by reporting the average number of days to process a sample at the beginning of the grant period versus the average number of days to process a sample at the end of the grant period);
- o Percent reduction in the number of backlogged forensic cases (calculated by reporting the number of backlogged forensic cases at the beginning of the grant period versus the number of backlogged forensic cases at the end of grant period), if applicable to the Subaward; and
- o The number of forensic science or medical examiner/coroner's office personnel who completed appropriate training or educational opportunities with these Coverdell funds, if applicable to the Subaward. Subrecipients are required to collect and report data relevant to these measures.

22. The Subrecipient understands and agrees that gross income (revenues) from fees charged for forensic science or medical examiner services constitutes program income (in whole or in part), and that program income must be determined, used, and documented in accordance with the provisions of 2 C.F.R. 200.307, including as applied in the Department of Justice (DOJ) Grants Financial Guide, as it may be revised from time to time. The recipient further understands and agrees that both program income earned during the award period and expenditures of such program income must be reported on the quarterly and final Federal Financial Reports (SF 425) and are subject to audit.

The Subrecipient understands and agrees that program income earned during the award period may be expended only for permissible uses of funds specifically identified in the solicitation for the Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program. The recipient further understands and agrees that program income earned during the award period may not be used to supplant State or local government funds, but instead may be used only to increase the amount of funds that would, in the absence of Federal funds or program income, be available from State or local government sources for the permissible uses of funds listed in the solicitation.

The Subrecipient understands and agrees that program income that is earned during the final ninety (90) days of the award period may, if appropriate, be obligated (as well as expended) for permissible uses during the ninety-day (90-day) period following the end of the award period. The recipient further understands and agrees that any program income earned during the award period that is not obligated and expended within ninety (90) days of the end of the award period must be returned to OJP.

23. The Subrecipient acknowledges that, as stated in the solicitation for the Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program, NIJ assumes that Subrecipients of Coverdell funds will make use of the process referenced in their certification as to external investigations and will refer allegations of serious negligence or misconduct substantially affecting the integrity of forensic results to government entities with an appropriate process in place to conduct independent external investigations, such as the government entity (or entities) identified in the grant application. The recipient shall submit the following information as part of its final report: (1) the number and nature of any allegations of serious negligence or misconduct substantially affecting the integrity of forensic results received during the 12-month period of the award; (2) information on the referrals of such allegations (e.g., the government entity or entities to which referred, the date of referral); (3) the outcome of such referrals (if known as of the date of thereport); and (4) if any such allegations were not referred, the reason(s) for the non-referral. Should the project period for this award be extended, the recipient shall submit the above information as to the first twelve months of the award as part of the first semi-annual progress report that comes due after the conclusion of the first twelve months of the project period, and shall submit the required information as to subsequent twelve-month periods every twelve months

thereafter (as part of a semi-annual progress report) until the close of the award period, at which point the recipient shall submit the required information as to any period not covered by prior reports as part of its final report. The recipient understands and agrees that funds may be withheld (including funds under future awards), or other related requirements may be imposed, if the required information is not submitted on a timely basis.

24. To assist in information sharing, the award Subrecipient shall provide the Cal OES grant manager with a copy of publications (including those prepared for conferences and other presentations) resulting from this award, prior to or simultaneous with their public release. NIJ defines publications as any written, visual or sound material substantively based on the project, formally prepared by the award recipient for dissemination to the public. Submission of publications prior to or simultaneous with their public release aids NIJ in responding to any inquiries that may arise. Any publications - excluding press releases and newsletters - whether published at the recipient's or government's expense, shall contain the following statement: "This project was supported by Award No. _____, awarded by the National Institute of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice. The opinions, findings, and conclusions or recommendations expressed in this publication/program/exhibition are those of the author(s) and do not necessarily reflect those of the Department of Justice." This statement shall appear on the first page of written publications. For audio and video publications, it shall be included immediately after the title of the publication in the audio or video file.
25. The Subrecipient shall transmit to the Cal OES grant manager copies of all official award-related press releases at least ten (10) working days prior to public release. Advance notice permits time for coordination of release of information by Cal OES and NIJ where appropriate and to respond to press or public inquiries.
26. Copyright; Data Rights

The Subrecipient acknowledges that OJP reserves a royalty-free, non-exclusive, and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use, and authorize others to use (in whole or in part, including in connection with derivative works), for Federal purposes: (1) any work subject to copyright developed under Subaward; and (2) any rights of copyright to which a Subrecipient purchases ownership with Federal support.

The Subrecipient acknowledges that OJP has the right to (1) obtain, reproduce, publish, or otherwise use the data first produced under a Subaward; and (2) authorize others to receive, reproduce, publish, or otherwise use such data for Federal purposes. "Data" includes data as defined in Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) provision 52.227- 14 (Rights in Data - General).

It is the responsibility of the Subrecipient to ensure that this condition is included in any Subaward under this Subaward.

The Subrecipient has the responsibility to obtain from Subrecipients, contractors, and subcontractors (if any) all rights and data necessary to fulfill the Subrecipient's obligations to the Government under this Subaward. If a proposed Subrecipient, contractor, or subcontractor refuses to accept terms affording the Government such rights, the Subrecipient shall promptly bring such refusal to the attention of the Cal OES Program Specialist for the Subaward and not proceed with the agreement in question without further authorization from Cal OES.

27. The Subrecipient agrees to comply with all Federal, State, and local environmental laws and regulations applicable to the development and implementation of the activities to be funded under this Subaward.


Environmental Assessment (EA): The Subrecipient agrees and understands that funded activities (whether conducted by the Subrecipient or contractors) may require the preparation of an EA as defined by the Council on Environmental Quality's Regulations for implementing the Procedural Provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), found at 40 CFR Part 1500. An EA is a concise public document that briefly provides sufficient analysis for determining whether to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) or a finding of no significant impact for the proposed activity. If in completing an EA for a proposed activity, potential adverse environmental impacts are identified, the EA will serve as a vehicle for developing either alternative approaches or mitigation measures for avoiding or reducing the identified adverse environmental impacts.

Modifications: Throughout the term of this Subaward, the Subrecipient agrees that for any activity that is the subject of a completed EA, it will inform Cal OES of (1) any change(s) that it is considering making to the previously assessed activity that may be relevant to environmental impact; or (2) any proposed new activities or changed circumstances that may require assessment as to environmental impact, such as new activities that involve the use of chemicals or involve construction or major renovation. The Subrecipient will not implement a proposed change or new activity until NIJ, with the assistance of the recipient, has determined whether the proposed change or activity (or changed circumstances) will require additional review under NEPA. Approval for implementation will not be unreasonably withheld as long as any requested modification(s) is consistent with eligible program purposes and found acceptable under an NIJ-conducted environmental impact review process.

All appropriate documentation **must be maintained on file by the project and available for Cal OES or public scrutiny upon request. Failure to comply with these requirements may result in suspension of payments under the grant or termination of the grant or both and the Subrecipient may be ineligible for Subaward of any future grants if the Cal OES determines that any of the following has occurred: (1) the Subrecipient has made false certification, or (2) violates the certification by failing to carry out the requirements as noted above.**

CERTIFICATION

I, the official named below, am the same individual authorized to sign the Grant Subaward [Section 15 on Grant Subaward Face Sheet], and hereby swear that I am duly authorized legally to bind the contractor or grant Subrecipient to the above described certification. I am fully aware that this certification, executed on the date and in the county below, is made under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California.

Authorized Official's Signature: 

Authorized Official's Typed Name: Thomas Trester

Authorized Official's Title: Administrative Services Director

Date Executed: _____

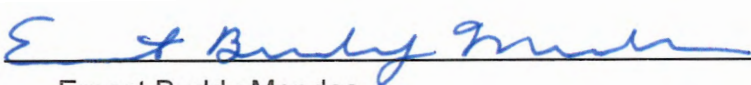
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AUTHORIZED BY: (not applicable to State agencies)

- City Financial Officer
- County Financial Officer
- City Manager
- County Manager
- Governing Board Chair

Signature: 

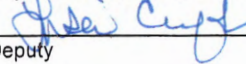
Typed Name: Ernest Buddy Mendes

Title: Chairman - Board Of Supervisors

Date Executed: 9/22/2020

ATTEST: _____

BERNICE E. SEIDEL
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Fresno, State of California

By: 
Deputy