

MEETING DATE: November 17, 2022

AGENDA ITEM: E

TO: BSCC Chair and Members

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SUBJECT: Title II Grant Program Funding Recommendations: **Requesting Approval**

Summary

This agenda item requests Board approval of the Title II Grant Program funding recommendation developed by the Title II Grant Program Executive Steering Committee (ESC) (Attachment E-1) and approved by the State Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (SACJJDP) (Attachment E-2). If the proposed list of award recommendations is approved, a total of eight nonprofit nongovernmental organizations, and three governmental agencies will be funded; and 1 nonprofit nongovernmental organization would be partially funded. Proposals selected for funding will be under agreement from January 1, 2022, through March 31, 2026. A list of applicants recommended for funding is provided in Attachment E-3, and corresponding proposal summaries are provided in Attachment E-4.

Background

The Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDP), as amended by the Juvenile Justice Reform Act of 2018, is the federal statute that establishes the Title II Grant Program. The U.S. Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) administers the grant, in part, by awarding grants to states to support delinquency prevention and juvenile justice system improvement. The Board of State and Community Corrections is the state agency that receives and administers California's Title II award. The BSCC must competitively award these funds to units of local government, nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) (referred to as local private agencies in the JJDP), and Indian tribes consistent with the purpose and intent of the JJDP.

OJJDP requires that states that receive Title II awards establish a State Advisory Group to advise on Title II activities. In California, this State Advisory Group is the State Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (SACJJDP), a governor-appointed committee that works to support policy and programs that improve outcomes for young people in the justice system. The SACJJDP developed California's Title II 2021-2023 State Plan. This grant program will fulfill the goals and objectives of this State Plan and JJDP requirements.

This Title II grant will fund the following six Program Purpose Areas (PPAs):

1. Aftercare/Reentry
2. Alternatives to Detention
3. Community-Based Programs & Services
4. Diversion
5. Mentoring, Counseling & Training Programs
6. Job Training

The BSCC received 49 proposals. After a technical review, 45 proposals requesting \$13,813,026 in funding met all submission criteria and were provided to the ESC for funding consideration. On September 7, 2022, BSCC staff trained the Title II ESC on the proposal reading and rating process established in the RFP (Attachment E-5). Once all ESC scores were submitted, BSCC staff generated a ranked list of all proposals that were considered for funding.

Statewide, \$4,000,000 is available for the first year of the Title II Grant Program 3-year cycle. Funding and amounts for the second year (January 1, 2024 - December 31, 2024) and the third year (January 1, 2025 – March 31, 2026) are contingent on future OJJDP Title II awards and the amounts are not yet known.

Concurrence by OYCR

Welfare and Institutions Code section 2200, subdivision (f), provides that the Board shall not award juvenile grants without concurrence from the Office of Youth and Community Restoration. OYCR has reviewed the proposed Title II awards and concurs with the SACJJDP recommendations. A letter of concurrence is attached (Attachment E-6).

Recommendation/Action Needed

Staff recommends that the Board:

- Approve the funding recommendation as adopted by the SACJJDP at its October 27, 2022, meeting (see Attachment E-3).
- Authorize staff to continue to make awards from the proposal rank ordered lists if any applicant is unable to accept the award or relinquishes an award, first by offering to any partial awardee(s) and then to the next highest-ranked proposal.
- Authorize staff to continue to make awards from the rank ordered list if staff determine during the follow-up award-making process that an applicant recommended for funding is ineligible, if a grantee becomes ineligible during the grant cycle, or if the award is relinquished during the grant cycle.
- Authorize staff to further fund proposals with unspent, prior-year grant cycle funds that become available following reversion.

Attachments

- E-1: Request for Proposal Executive Steering Committee Roster
- E-2: State Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Member Roster
- E-3: List of Title II Proposals Recommended for Funding
- E-4: Title II Proposal Summaries
- E-5: Title II Request for Proposals
- E-6: Letter of concurrence, dated November 3, 2022, from the Office of Youth and Community Restoration