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TO: BSCC Chair and Members

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SUBJECT: Strengthening Law Enforcement and Community Relations Grant, Executive

Steering Committee's Funding Recommendations: Requesting Approval.

Summary

This agenda item requests approval of the Strengthening Law Enforcement and Community Relations Grant (Strengthening Grant) awards as recommended by the Strengthening Grant Executive Steering Committee (ESC). Recommendations are

- Fully award 9 grants totaling \$5,257,939 for programs and initiatives intended to strengthen the relationship between law enforcement and the communities they serve.
- Offer 1 partial award in the amount of \$442,061 to the Contra Costa County Sheriff's Office, which fell at the funding cut-off point in the ranked list.
- Authorize staff to offer full or partial funding to the next-ranked applicant(s) should an applicant recommended for funding be unable or unwilling to accept the award in order to expend the total balance.

If the proposed list of grantees is approved, the two-year grant period will begin July 1, 2016 and end June 30, 2018.

Background

The Budget Act of 2015 allocated \$6 million to the BSCC to administer a new grant program. The Budget Act provides:

The Board of State and Community Corrections shall provide grants to local law enforcement for programs and initiatives intended to strengthen the relationship between law enforcement and the communities they serve, including, but not limited to, providing training for front-line peace officers on issues such as implicit bias; funding for research to examine how local policing services currently are being delivered; assessing the state of law enforcement-community relations; comparing the status quo with the best practices in the policing profession; and receiving recommendations for moving forward, including the identification of policing models and operational options to improve policing; problem-oriented policing initiatives such as Operation Ceasefire; restorative justice programs that address the needs of victims, offenders, and the community; behavioral health training and any one-time costs associated with implementing, expanding, and maintaining a program designed to capture peace officer interactions with individuals in the community. The Board of State and Community Corrections may use up to 5 percent of the total amount available in this item to administer this program.

The Budget act further required that to be eligible, the applying agency shall be in full compliance with Section 11108 of the California Penal Code, which pertains to local law enforcement reporting requirements for firearms and property (Attachment D-1).

The BSCC retained 5 percent of the allocation to administer the program. The remaining \$5,700,000 was made available to public agencies through this competitive process.

On September 17, 2015 the Board appointed a Chair and authorized the Chair and staff to form an ESC to oversee the development and release of the Strengthening Grant Request for Proposals (RFP). On this date, the Board also appointed Board Member David Bejarano, Chief of Police, Chula Vista, as Chair of the ESC and delegated authority to the ESC Chair and staff to name additional members to the ESC. The ESC was to include representation from government entities, community based service providers and the formerly incarcerated community, among others. Chief Bejarano subsequently appointed as Co-Chair B.J. Davis of Strategies for Change, a community-based service provider.

- The 15-member ESC (Attachment D-2) convened November 9 and 10, 2015 and again on December 17, 2015 to develop the RFP.
- The RFP was released on February 5, 2016 with a due date of April 1, 2016 (Attachment D-3). The due date was subsequently extended to April 15, 2016.
- 46 proposals were received requesting a total of \$24.4 million.
- On April 28, 2016 the ESC was trained by staff on how to rate proposals.
- On June 2, 2016 the ESC met to discuss scores and develop a ranked list of proposals.

Recommendation/Action Needed

On behalf of the Strengthening Grant Executive Steering Committee, staff recommends approval of the proposed grant awards in ranked order as provided on the following four pages.

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Strengthening Law Enforcement and Community Relations Grant

Proposals in Ranked Order

\$5,700,000 is available in FY 2015-16

Rank	Agency	Amount Requested	Recommended Allocation
1	Salinas Police Department and Monterey County Sheriff's Department (Joint Application)	\$850,000	\$850,000
2	Vallejo Police Department	\$447,589	\$447,589
3	Bakersfield Police Department	\$517,213	\$517,213
4	Gonzales, Soledad, Greenfield & King City Police Departments (Joint Application)	\$850,000	\$850,000
5	Richmond Police Department	\$600,000	\$600,000
6	Stockton Police Department	\$600,000	\$600,000
7	Alameda County Sheriff's Office	\$599,966	\$599,966
8	Monrovia Police Department	\$193,171	\$193,171
9	Long Beach Police Department	\$600,000	\$600,000
10	Contra Costa County Sheriff's Office	\$600,000	*\$442,061
		\$5,857,939	\$5,700,00

*Partial Funding

11	Parlier Police Department	\$300,000	
12	Reedley Police Department	\$548,200	
13	Oakland Police Department	\$600,000	
14	San Francisco Sheriff's Department	\$600,000	
15	Sacramento Police Department	\$561,177	
16	Santa Cruz County Sheriff & Watsonville PD	\$850,000	
17	Modesto PD & Stanislaus County Sheriff Depart.	\$850,000	
18	Gardena Police Department	\$600,000	
19	San Mateo County Sheriff's Office	\$596,814	
20	San Bernardino Police Department	\$600,000	
21	Hollister Police Department	\$600,000	

22	Mendota Police Department	\$210,461	
23	Tulare County Sheriff's Office	\$461,750	
24	Anaheim Police Department	\$572,722	
25	Riverside County Sheriff Department	\$433,172	
26	Fresno Police Department	\$600,000	
27	Los Angeles Police Department	\$600,000	
28	Huntington Beach Police Department	\$600,000	
29	San Diego County Sheriff's Department	\$600,000	
30	McFarland Police Department	\$600,000	
31	National City Police Department	\$600,000	
32	Selma Police Department	\$46,600	
33	Kings County Sheriff's Department	\$600,000	
34	West Sacramento Police Department	\$129,233	
35	Sacramento Sheriff's Department	\$600,000	
36	San Francisco Police Department	\$600,000	
37	Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety	\$123,032	
38	Colton Police Department	\$425,000	
39	Bell Police Department	\$600,000	
40	Upland Police Department	\$480,000	
41	La Habra Police Department	\$513,563	
42	Merced County Sheriff's Office	\$600,000	
43	Escondido Police Department	\$500,000	
44	Los Angeles County Sherriff, Temple Station	\$333,333	
45	Tustin Police Department	\$578,609	
46	Orange County Sheriff's Office	\$452,600	

Attachments

- D-1: California Penal Code Section 11108
- D-2: Executive Steering Committee Roster
- D-3: Strengthening Grant Request for Proposals
- D-4: Strengthening Law Enforcement and Community Relations Grant Project Descriptions