FY 2022-23 Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program Project Summaries

Small Scope Projects

1. City of Irvine

\$482,445

- Program Purpose Area(s): Communication, Education, Outreach, and Public Awareness; Behavioral health deflection for those at risk to themselves or others; Funding for Law Enforcement Agencies to safely secure, store, track, and return relinquished guns.
- Lead Agency: Irvine Police Department

This proposal seeks a grant to establish a comprehensive Violent Risk Assessment Model (V-RAM) for our city. Building on the success of our student-focused CSTAG program, V-RAM will use evidence-based threat assessment models for threats of all ages. We propose a 3-step approach:

-Implement a Violent Risk Assessment Model (V-RAM) and management tool to address threats within Irvine

-Train team members with the knowledge and skills to effectively assess and manage individuals who are a danger to themselves or others

-Integrate existing public safety and community mental health stakeholders to build a comprehensive collaboration of continuous threat assessments

2. City of Santa Rosa

\$303,523

- Program Purpose Area(s): Funding for Law Enforcement Agencies to safely secure, store, track, and return relinquished guns.
- Lead Agency: City of Santa Rosa

The Santa Rosa Police Department proposes to address the proliferation of firearms in the city via a coordinated approach with an integrated team of trained law enforcement officers, compassionate and culturally sensitive mental health specialists, and civic and judicial resources to prosecute offenders and process GVROs efficiently and effectively. The SRPD will remove firearms from city streets by conducting thorough investigation, completing training programs for behavioral threat assessment and GVROs, sharing information among the integrated team including the City and District Attorneys' Offices, and finally issuing GVROs and executing firearms seizures.

3. Amador County

- **Program Purpose Area(s):** Funding for Law Enforcement Agencies to safely secure, store, track, and return relinquished guns.
- Lead Agency: Amador County Sheriff's Office

Amador County aims to address the critical need for local law enforcement to effectively manage relinquished firearms, enhancing public safety and reducing potential risks. Through this initiative, we will expand secure storage capacity, implement new technologies to store and track relinquished guns, enabling law enforcement to efficiently monitor and manage firearms, and provide specialized training for officers, empowering them with the necessary skills to handle firearm-related situations effectively. Together, these activities will strengthen community safety, reduce local gun violence and support law enforcement efforts in safeguarding our rural community.

4. City of West Sacramento

- Program Purpose Area(s): Communication, Education, Outreach, and Public Awareness
- Lead Agency: West Sacramento Police Department

The West Sacramento Futures project fights gun violence via grassroots engagement, targeting the alarming rise in youth gun deaths, especially among vulnerable youth. Partnering with experienced community-based organizations, it offers programming to enhance youth skills, influence attitudes about guns, and boost protective factors. Over two years, it aims to engage 100 youth aged 12-18, aligning with public health strategies for a safer community.

5. Madera County

- Program Purpose Area(s): Funding for Law Enforcement Agencies to safely secure, store, track, and return relinquished guns.
- Lead Agency: Madera County Office of the District Attorney

This project will achieve four goals, including the hiring of a Crime Analyst to enhance the capacity of the District Attorney's Office to conduct records checks, enforce restraining orders, store/track relinquished firearms, and assist with court hearings for individuals wrongfully denied firearm purchases. Build partnerships with Madera County law enforcement agencies to address gun violence and ensure compliance with AB732 reporting. Purchase software for the investigation and tracking of relinquished firearms and prohibited persons. Conduct a firearms safe storage campaign to promote safety and reduce firearms related injuries and deaths in Madera County.

\$498,408

\$475,008

\$305,383

Program Purpose Area(s): Communication, Education, Outreach, and Public

- Awareness; Funding for Law Enforcement Agencies to safely secure, store, track, and return relinquished guns.
- Lead Agency: City of Menifee

The Menifee Police Department has realized areas of need within the CSI unit. The first, and largest need is the ability to secure and store the firearms that are coming in for various reasons. The second need is for staff to be trained and certified as firearm specialists for safety and educational purposes. The third, is for the education of our citizens on the available options with safeguarding their home and community. All these needs fall under the Byrne SCIP Grant Program Purpose Areas 1 and 3: Communication, education, outreach, and public awareness and funding for law enforcement to agencies to safely secure, store, track, and return relinquished guns.

7. City of Avenal

6. City of Menifee

- Program Purpose Area(s): Communication, Education, Outreach, and Public Awareness; Behavioral health deflection for those at risk to themselves or others; Funding for Law Enforcement Agencies to safely secure, store, track, and return relinquished guns.
- Lead Agency: City of Avenal

The Avenal Community Safety Initiative seeks to address gun violence and mental health issues through a multifaceted approach, incorporating education on Extreme Risk Protection Orders (ERPOs), community and law enforcement training, and gun safety measures. Our comprehensive program includes community workshops, social media campaigns, school-based education, public service announcements, crisis intervention training, suicide prevention initiatives, and secure storage campaigns.

8. City of Irwindale

- Program Purpose Area(s): Funding for Law Enforcement Agencies to safely secure, store, track, and return relinquished guns.
- Lead Agency: Irwindale Police Department

Irwindale Police Department (IPD) is enhancing firearms security in its evidence room and improving community firearms safety. This proposal entails procuring and installing new gun lockers as part of a larger overhaul of the department's evidence room in an effort to store firearms in evidence more securely. IPD is improving tracking and management methodologies for firearms and developing systems for more timely relinquishment of guns to their owners. IPD proposes procuring and distributing gun locks and lockboxes to the community, along with educational resources to raise awareness for safe gun storage and give the community the means to do so.

\$112,512

\$377,763

\$26,548

1. City of Long Beach

- Program Purpose Area(s): Behavioral health deflection for those at risk to themselves or others
- Lead Agency: City of Long Beach

The City of Long Beach's Community Crisis Response (CCR) program is an innovative alternative 9-1-1 response program that deploys an unarmed, civilian team to provide services such as mental health support, de-escalation, and peer navigation during a crisis. The CCR program expects to serve 500 individuals a year and achieve the following goals: 1) Reduce the number of behavioral health calls responded to by Police units. 2) Enhance emotional health support and crisis de-escalation opportunities. 3) Increase the percentage of individuals served by the mobile crisis unit who successfully connect with and engage in ongoing health services.

2. County of Contra Costa

- Program Purpose Area(s): Communication, Education, Outreach, and Public Awareness; Funding for Law Enforcement Agencies to safely secure, store, track, and return relinquished guns.
- Lead Agency: Contra Costa County Employment and Human Services Department

Contra Costa County is proposing the creation of a Gun Violence Prevention Task Force that will serve to close the gap between protection and relinquishment policies and actual practices, as well as develop new policies/practices and trainings. This will include community awareness activities around the relationship of interpersonal violence and gun violence and the availability of EPROs as a protective measure, and funding for law enforcement for time dedicated to relinquishment, for training, and for storage of relinquished weapons.

3. Yolo County

- **Program Purpose Area(s):** Behavioral health deflection for those at risk to themselves or others
- Lead Agency: Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency

Yolo County requests \$1,000,000 to support our Crisis Now 2.0 behavioral health emergency system. The system consists of a high-tech call center, a 24/7/365 mobile response unit, and a Crisis Reception/Sobering Center. Clients coming to the Crisis Reception/Sobering Center will receive assessments, treatment, and support from licensed professionals and peer specialists. This expansion to the local crisis continuum

\$1,000,000

\$1,000,000

\$999,474

of care will provide essential services to people in need and utilize county resources more efficiently. Appropriate responses to behavioral health needs are critical to ensuring the safety and wellness of all residents.