

**MEETING DATE:** November 21, 2024

**AGENDA ITEM: D**

**TO:** BSCC Chair and Members

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**SUBJECT:** California Violence Intervention and Prevention (CalVIP) Grant - Cohort 4-Six-Month, No-Cost Extension: **Requesting Approval**

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### Summary

This agenda item requests Board approval for a six-month no-cost contract extension for the Cohort 4 California Violence Intervention and Prevention (CalVIP) grant program. Due to an unanticipated delay in the availability of funds for Cohort 5, this extension will allow BSCC to avoid a service gap between cohorts and allow Cohort 4 projects additional time to spend down remaining funds. If approved, this action will extend the service delivery period for currently funded grantees to December 31, 2025, and the contract end date to June 30, 2026.

### Background

Formerly known as the California Gang Reduction, Intervention and Prevention Grant, the State Legislature established the California Violence Intervention and Prevention (CalVIP) Grant Program in Fiscal Year (FY) 2017-18. In 2019, the CalVIP Grant Program was codified as the Break the Cycle of Violence Act (Assembly Bill 1603, Chapter 735, Statutes of 2019), establishing the authority and duties of the BSCC in administering the program.

To date, the BSCC has administered four rounds of CalVIP funding, providing more than \$250 million toward local violence intervention and prevention efforts, most recently through Cohort 4. On June 9, 2022, the Board approved \$156 million in Cohort 4 CalVIP funding for 79 cities and community-based organizations (CBOs), for a grant term of July 1, 2022, to December 31, 2025. On September 8, 2022, the Board approved an additional \$53 million in Cohort 4 CalVIP funding for 29 cities and CBOs, for a grant term of October 1, 2022 to December 31, 2025.

### New Funding for the CalVIP Grant

Effective July 1, 2024, the CalVIP program will be funded by an excise tax. Assembly Bill 28 (AB 28) (Chapter 231, Statutes of 2023), also known as the [Gun Violence Prevention and School Safety Act](#), imposes an excise tax in the amount of 11 percent of the gross receipts from the retail sale in California of firearms, firearm parts, and ammunition. Revenues collected will be deposited annually into the Gun Violence Prevention and School Safety Fund, which will be used to fund various gun violence prevention, education, research, response, and investigation programs, including the CalVIP program. AB 28 allocates the first \$75 million available in the fund (or as much of that amount as is available) annually to the BSCC. The first allocation to BSCC will not be available until September 2025. BSCC anticipates releasing a Request for Proposals for Cohort 5 in February 2025.

**Recommendation/Action Needed**

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Staff recommends that the Board:

- Approve a six-month, no-cost extension of the Cohort 4 CalVIP Grant program, extending the service delivery six months and grant end date to June 30, 2026.