

**Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program
Report on Updated Program and Budget Plan for FFY 2024
November 21, 2024**

TO: Byrne State Crisis Intervention Advisory Board Chair and Members¹
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Summary

This item requests approval of the updated Program and Budget Plan for the Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (Byrne SCIP). The updated Byrne SCIP Program and Budget Plan proposes continue implementation of BSCC's multipronged approach to decreasing gun violence in California by making subawards to the Judicial Council of California and to units of local government. The federal solicitation for Byrne SCIP funding requires the Program and Budget Plan to be approved by the Advisory Board.

Background

As authorized by the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act of 2022 (Pub. L. No. 117-159 (June 25, 2022) 126 Stat.1313), Byrne SCIP provides federal formula funds to implement state gun crisis intervention court proceedings and related programs or initiatives. On September 26, 2024, the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) awarded \$16,611,430 in Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2024 Byrne SCIP funding to the BSCC.

As required by the Byrne SCIP program, the BSCC established the Crisis Intervention Advisory Board to inform and guide the implementation of the Byrne SCIP grant. On September 14, 2023, the Advisory Board approved BSCC's Program and Budget Plan for FFY 2022 and 2023 funds, which resulted in a subaward to the Judicial Council of California (JCC) and eleven subawards to units of local government.

The update to the Program and Budget Plan (Attachment 1) proposes to continue implementation of the Byrne SCIP grant program with similar subawards of FFY 2024 funds as follows:

- A subaward totaling \$10,066,067 would be made to the JCC to administer the court related aspects of the plan, including the continued expansion of collaborative courts and an ongoing operational review to identify best practices for firearms relinquishment in criminal courts. The JCC will announce a second Request for Proposal (RFP) process to all California courts. This RFP will combine the FFY 2024 funds with \$4,493,416 of remaining FFY 2022 and 2023 funds not awarded in the prior RFP process.

¹ The Byrne State Crisis Intervention Advisory Board is a sub-committee of the Board of State and Community Corrections as established by the BSCC Board on February 9, 2023.

- Subawards totaling \$6,132,845 in FFY 2024 funds, which will be combined with \$5,113,869 in FFY 2022/2023 funds that were not awarded in the prior RFP process. This will result in a competitive RFP for units of local government totaling \$11,246,714.

This RFP would seek to fund programs that supported activities listed in the FFY 2024 Byrne SCIP solicitation, including but not limited to:

- Communication, Education, Outreach, and Public Awareness;
- Referrals to Community-Based Services for People in Crisis; and
- Funding for Law Enforcement Crisis Intervention Programs or Initiatives.

The updated Program and Budget Plan also proposes to continue Byrne SCIP program implementation as described above for the anticipated FFY 2025 and 2026 Byrne SCIP awards, with subaward amounts based on the allocations established by the BJA for those fiscal years.

Upon the Advisory Board's approval of the Program and Budget Plan, BSCC will submit the plan and related attachments (Attachment 2, Attachment 3, and Attachment 4) to the BJA for approval, as required by the Byrne SCIP federal solicitation.

Recommendation/Action Needed

Staff recommends that the SCIP Advisory Board take the following actions:

- Approve the Byrne SCIP Program and Budget Plan, including related Attachments 1 through 3.
- Authorize the Chair to sign the Byrne SCIP Advisory Board Letter of Approval (Attachment 4).

Attachments

- 1: Byrne SCIP Updated Program and Budget Plan
- 2: Byrne SCIP Budget Detail Worksheet
- 3: Byrne SCIP Advisory Board Description and Roster
- 4: Byrne SCIP Advisory Board Letter of Approval