

MEETING DATE: January 17, 2019

AGENDA ITEM: F

TO: BSCC Chair and Members

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SUBJECT: Youth Reinvestment Tribal Grant Request for Proposals: **Requesting Approval**

Summary

This agenda item requests Board approval for the Youth Reinvestment Tribal Request for Proposals (RFP) (Attachment F-1) developed by the Tribal Advisory Group (Attachment F-2) of the Youth Reinvestment Grant Executive Steering Committee (see Attachment E-2 of Agenda Item E).

Background

The Youth Reinvestment Tribal Grant program was established in the 2018 Budget Act (Senate Bill 840, Chapter 29, Statutes of 2018) and the related trailer bill (Assembly Bill 1812, Chapter 36, Statutes of 2018). (See Attachments E-3 and E-4 of Agenda Item E). Under the program \$1,119,000 is specifically set aside for Indian tribes for the purpose of implementing Indian children diversion programs that use trauma-informed, community-based, and health-based interventions.

At its July 12, 2018 meeting, the Board appointed Members David Steinhart and Chief Mark Varela to serve as co-Chairs of the YRG ESC to oversee the grant development process and authorized BSCC staff to work with the co-Chairs to assemble the rest of the ESC for this purpose.

As that work began, it became clear that the unique statutory criteria for this Tribal funding component necessitated a separate group of subject-matter experts to advise the ESC. A group of tribal experts was selected and convened October 23-24, 2018 to develop the RFP, which is now provided for the Board's approval. The YRG ESC reviewed and approved this draft RFP at its meeting on November 16, 2018.

To supplement the expertise of the TAG members, public comment was accepted and incorporated into the decision-making process. Public comment was accepted via a dedicated YRG e-mailbox and in-person at the two-day TAG meeting.

Key Grant Components

- Eligible applicants for the YRG Tribal Youth Diversion Grant Program are federally recognized tribes in California.
- The total available funding is \$1.1 million. There is no minimum and no maximum amount that a tribe may request.
- Successful applicants will be funded for a term of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2022.
- One or more tribes may submit an application based on a regional approach. Preference points will be awarded to any application that uses a regional approach to encompass a consortium of tribes.
- The target population to be served by the YRG Tribal Youth Diversion Program are Indian children under the age of 18 (at the time of participant enrollment) who would otherwise be facing entry to the juvenile justice system or further involvement in the system.
- Diversion services provided under this grant will be trauma-informed, community-based, and wellness-based.

RFP Activities and Tentative Timeline

Below is a tentative timeline of activities necessary to administer a competitive RFP for the YRG Tribal Youth Diversion Grant Program.

Activity	Date
RFP Presented for Board Approval	January 17, 2019
Release Request for Proposals	January 18, 2019
Bidder's Conference	February 13, 2019
Proposals Due to the BSCC (10 weeks)	March 29, 2019
Proposal Rating Process and Development of Funding Recommendations by ESC	April – May 2019
Present Funding Recommendations to Board	June 13, 2019
Grants Begin	July 1, 2019

Recommendation/Action Needed

Staff recommends that the Board:

1. Approve and authorize release of the RFP as developed by the TAG and recommended by the ESC.

Attachments

F-1: YRG Tribal Youth Diversion Grant Request for Proposals

F-2: YRG Tribal Advisory Group Member Roster