

Title II Formula Grant Funds are made available through this program to support the ultimate goal of eliminating racial and ethnic disparities across the juvenile justice continuum. For this solicitation, the goals and objectives are comprised of several prioritized themes. These themes include the emphasis on community engagement as a lynchpin to improved outcomes, the intersection between the reduction of implicit bias and data-driven decision-making; and lastly, applying principles that focus on enhancing correctional practices while still allowing for innovation.

Each of the four applicants seeking award may need to make slight revisions to their budget to be in alignment with state and federal requirements. To that end, SACJJD and the ESC requests conditional Board approval allowing for BSCC staff to facilitate appropriate changes to the budget before contractual commitments are finalized.

Please see below the final funding recommendations and project descriptions:

APPLICANT	TOTAL	RANK	REQUESTED
Stanislaus County	236	1	\$200,000
San Joaquin County	227	2	\$200,000
Santa Barbara County	213	3	\$147,940
Mono County	186	4	\$150,000

**Stanislaus County**

*Funding Requested: \$200,000*

*The Stanislaus County Probation Department will work closely with an R.E.D. consultant to convene community partners, including: impacted members, representatives from community based organizations, the faith based community, advocacy organizations, schools, public health, child welfare, legal advocacy, immigration, and law enforcement, to identify decision-making points that are driving racial and ethnic disparities at various points of the juvenile justice system. The partners will collaborate to develop a workplan to address decisions made that result in racial and ethnic disparities and commit to taking steps to eliminate disparities in their respective fields by working across sectors and developing community based strategies to increase protective factors in young people and the community as a whole. Particular focus will be placed on engaging community members who are living in communities where young people who are overrepresented in the juvenile justice system live as leaders in this effort.*

**San Joaquin County**

*Funding Requested: \$200,000*

*The San Joaquin County Probation Department recognizes that minority youth are found to have disproportionate rates of contact through the various key decision points in the Juvenile Justice System. The R.E.D. plan will involve a thorough review of local juvenile justice data, focusing on Probation*

*Department data, policies, and practices. Probation will identify an R.E.D. coordinator, select a R.E.D. Expert Consultant, establish a R.E.D. Steering Committee, and provide training to all probation administrators and staff on various topics related to R.E.D. This work will build upon the foundation already established for County-wide R.E.D. efforts that include collaboration with key stakeholders.*

**Santa Barbara County Probation**

*Funding Requested: \$147,940*

*Santa Barbara County Probation recognizes that youth of color are overrepresented in the juvenile justice system and that the County's 2013 relative rate demonstrates that youth of color are referred to probation for felony referrals more than white youth, with black youth at 2.0 and Hispanics at 1.48. In addition, youth of color have more cases that involve secure detention as compared to white youth, with black youth at 1.84 and Hispanic youth at 1.74. Probation intends to fund expert consultants to assess the nature and extent of disparities as well as the effectiveness of ongoing efforts to reduce disparities in Santa Barbara County, and the examination of biases that can form the basis for all decisions made about a youth and/or family's character and situation-both drivers of racial and ethnic disparity.*

**Mono County Probation**

*Funding Requested: \$150,000*

*Mono County justice partners recognize that while there is an effort to provide unbiased objective assessments and supervision, racial and ethnic disparity exists. Mono County justice partners and community members would benefit from the expert consultant and systems approach to address racial and ethnic disparities and identify detention alternatives and to facilitate interventions. Mono County is prepared to identify values, cultural change, and policy and procedure in alignment with goals of the R.E.D. grant to reduce disparity in the justice system.*