

DATE: November, 17, 2016 **AGENDA ITEM:** K

TO: BSCC Chair and Members

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SUBJECT: Proposition 47, Approval of and Release of the Request for Proposals: **Requesting Approval.**

Summary

This agenda item requests Board approval and release of the proposed Request for Proposals (Attachment K-1) for the Proposition 47 Grant as recommended by its Executive Steering Committee (Attachment K-2).

Background

Proposition 47 (Attachment K-3) was a voter-approved initiative on the November 2014 ballot. Its purpose, as stated in the ballot, is as follows:

The people enact the Safe Neighborhoods and Schools Act to ensure that prison spending is focused on violent and serious offenses, to maximize alternatives for nonserious, nonviolent crime, and to invest the savings generated from this act into prevention and support programs in K–12 schools, victim services, and mental health and drug treatment.

As stated in the proposition, the BSCC's responsibilities are to:

Administer a grant program to public agencies aimed at supporting mental health treatment, substance abuse treatment, and diversion programs for people in the criminal justice system, with an emphasis on programs that reduce recidivism of people convicted of less serious crimes, such as those covered by this measure, and those who have substance abuse and mental health problems. (Gov. Code, § 7599.2, subd. (a)(3).)

Assembly Bill 1056 (Statutes of 2015, Chapter 438) (Attachment K-4) added ESC subject-matter expertise and legislative priorities for the grant program, including housing-related assistance and other community-based supportive services such as job skills training, case management and civil legal services.

On November 16, 2015 the Board appointed Members Scott Budnick and Leticia Perez as Co-Chairs of the Proposition 47 ESC. On April 14, 2016, the Board approved the ESC membership and directed the ESC to oversee the development and release of the Proposition 47 RFP.

Key Grant Components

The 18-member ESC met periodically beginning in June 2016 and ending in October 2016 to develop the RFP that is now provided for the Board's consideration. Key grant components include:

- Proposition 47 grant funds must be used for mental health services, substance-use disorder treatment, diversion programs, or some combination thereof. In addition to these required services and programs, applicants are encouraged to provide supplemental housing-related services and other community-based supportive services, such as job skills training, case management, and civil legal services.
- Eligible applicants for this grant are public agencies.
- Public agencies must partner with one or more non-governmental, community organization(s) in order to submit an application.
- Grant funds may not be used for programs or services provided in a custodial setting.
- The grant period is 38-months and covers from June 16, 2017 through August 15, 2020.
- Approximately \$103,651,000 will be available over the 38 months.
- Funding is categorized into a "Small Proposal" and "Large Proposal" category.
- In the Small category, public agencies may apply for up to \$1 million for the entire 38-month grant period.
- In the Large category, public agencies may apply for more than \$1 million and up to \$6 million for the entire 38-month grant period.
- The County of Los Angeles may submit a single application for up to \$20 million for the entire 38-month grant period.
- Only one application may be submitted on behalf of the County of Los Angeles and its subsidiary departments and agencies.
- Other cities and eligible non-county, public entities within Los Angeles County may still submit individual applications in either the Small or Large category.
- A minimum of 50 percent of the total grant award must be passed through to one or more non-governmental, community organizations.

RFP Activities and Timeline

Below is a tentative timeline of activities necessary to administer a competitive RFP for the Proposition 47 Grant.

Activity	Date
RFP Presented for Board Approval	November 17, 2016
Release Request for Proposals	November 18, 2016
Bidders' Conferences	December 2016
Proposals Due to the BSCC	February 21, 2017
Proposal Rating Process and Development of Funding Recommendations	April-May 2017
Present funding recommendations to Board	June 8, 2017
Grants Begin	June 2017

Recommendation/Action Needed

Staff recommends that the Board:

- Approve and release the Proposition 47 RFP as recommended by the ESC.

Attachments

K-1: Proposition 47 Request for Proposals
K-2: Executive Steering Committee Roster
K-3: Proposition 47
K-4: Assembly Bill 1056