

TO: Chairman and Members

DATE: May 9, 2013

SUBJECT: Approval of Interim BSCC Application for Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Funding for Federal Fiscal Year 2013 Pending Planning and Development of the Strategic Plan and Determination of State Allocations

AGENDA ITEM: F

**ACTION:
INFORMATION: X**

RESOURCE PERSON: Daryle McDaniel

Summary:

This agenda item requests approval for the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) staff to submit an interim application for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program State Solicitation FY 2013 to the Federal Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) to meet the application deadline of May 30, 2013. Per the direction of the BJA, the application will be submitted in the amount of \$1.00, due to the fact that the actual state allocations haven't as yet been determined, and will consist of information about the BSCC's planning activities currently underway to assist the Board in determining the direction of the state's new JAG four-year strategy and the corresponding Request(s) for Proposals (RFP) to distribute the funds.

Background:

At the March 14, 2013, Board meeting, BSCC staff presented a planning process for the JAG program four-year strategy and advised the Board of the imminent release of the FY 2013 JAG state solicitation, which would be due to BJA prior to the conclusion of the proposed planning process. The Board authorized BSCC staff to utilize an electronic survey and public comment sessions to solicit input from the California stakeholders on the best use of JAG funds in the State of California and requested that staff contact BJA to affirm that the state could submit an interim application detailing the Board's planning and development activities.

On March 15, 2013, BSCC staff received written authorization from our BJA policy advisor to submit the 2013 JAG state application articulating our strategic plan development activities, and current and projected timelines regarding the completion of the new four-year strategy and development of the RFP(s) to distribute the state JAG funding. The survey and the public comment sessions were simultaneously conducted with an anticipated completion date of June 7, 2013.

On March 17, 2013, BJA released the JAG Program State Solicitation FY2013 with the instruction that the application be submitted for \$1.00, due to the fact that BJA does not expect to have determined the actual 2013 state allocations until after the application due date of May 31, 2013. Once BJA determines the state's FY 2013 allocation and the Board has determined how JAG funds will be used to best support locals needs, the BSCC will submit an updated application.

Recommendation/Action Needed:

BSCC staff request Board approval to submit an interim application for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program State Solicitation FY 2013 in the amount of \$1.00 and consisting of information about the State's JAG program strategic planning and development activities and timelines.