

**TO: Chairman and Members of the Board**

**DATE: September 13, 2012**

**SUBJECT: CalGRIP Rating Executive Steering Committee**

**AGENDA ITEM: F**

**RESOURCE PERSON: Oscar E. Villegas**

**ACTION: X  
INFORMATION:**

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**Summary:** It is anticipated that the rating of the 2012-2014 California Gang Reduction, Intervention and Prevention Program (CalGRIP) proposals will occur in mid-October 2012. In preparation for the rating process this agenda item serves to: (1) request the Board appoint a member to serve as chair for the rating Executive Steering Committee, and (2) authorize staff to work with the chair to identify additional subject matter experts to serve on this committee.

**Background:** In 2007, the governor initiated the CalGRIP program as an anti-gang initiative to help communities support various prevention, intervention or suppression strategies to reduce gang and youth violence. The program was originally administered by the Governor's Office of Gang and Youth Violence Policy, and most recently by the California Emergency Management Agency (CalEMA). Effective July 1, 2012, the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) assumed responsibility for administering the CalGRIP program, which includes oversight of 59 existing grants, and responsibility to administer the CalGRIP funds, beginning with FY 2012-13.

In July this Board heard a brief presentation on the CalGRIP program, and was informed that the 2012-13 budget once again appropriated \$9.2 million for the program. Of these funds, \$1 million is again directed to the city of Los Angeles, and \$8.2 million is available competitively for all other cities. On August 12<sup>th</sup> staff released the solicitation for the remaining \$8.2 million, and proposals are due to the BSCC no later than 5:00 pm October 8, 2012. Staff anticipates establishing a rating ESC within the next few weeks to be ready to begin the rating process sometime in mid-October. The composition of the ESC would likely mirror the composition specified in the law to serve as the CalGRIP Advisory Council that each project must include (e.g., city officials, local law enforcement including county sheriff, a chief probation officer, the district attorney, education, CBO, etc.).

It is staff's intent to bring the ESC's list of proposals being recommended for funding to this Board for consideration in November. The goal is to have the grant award agreements in place with cities by January 1, 2013.

**Next Steps:**

Staff will immediately begin working with the chair to identify persons to serve on the committee.

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**Recommendation/Action Needed:**

Staff is requesting the Board appoint one of its member to serve as chair of the CalGRIP rating ESC, and authorize staff to work with the chair to identify other subject matter experts to serve on the rating ESC.

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