Adult Reentry Grant Program Executive Steering Committee Seeking Membership

The Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) is seeking members to serve on a new Executive Steering Committee for the Adult Reentry Grant Program for Rental Assistance and Warm Handoff Reentry Services. Statements of Interest for this ESC will be taken until Friday, September 10, 2021 or until a full membership has been reached.

Adult Reentry Grant Program

The Adult Reentry Grant (ARG) provides funding for community-based organizations to deliver reentry services for people coming out of state prison. The ARG Program was established in the 2018 Budget Act (Senate Bill 840, Chapter 29, Statutes of 2018) and received additional funding through the Budget Act of 2019 (Assembly Bill 74, Chapter 23, Statutes of 2019) and the Budget Act of 2020 (Assembly Bill 89, Chapter 7, Statutes of 2020).

The Budget Act of 2021 (Senate Bill 112) appropriated \$67 million to the BSCC to administer the ARG program. This includes \$37 million in ongoing funding and a one-time increase of \$30 million. The \$67 million will be equally split between Rental Assistance and Warm Handoff and Reentry Services as prescribed by the Budget Act of 2021

Click <u>here</u> for the authorizing State Budget Act language.

Interested in participating on the ARG ESC?

The BSCC is forming an ESC that reflects California's diverse population in terms of perspectives, backgrounds, professional expertise, life experiences, and geographical representation. Per the authorizing legislation, preference will be given to members from relevant state agencies and departments with expertise in public health, housing, workforce development, and effective rehabilitative treatment for adult offenders, including, but not limited to, the Department of Housing and Community Development, the Office of Health Equity, county probation departments, representatives of reentry-focused community-based organizations, criminal justice impacted individuals, and representatives of housing-focused community-based organizations.

Note: Prior experience on a BSCC Executive Steering Committee is not required.

Responsibilities of the ARG ESC

There are important responsibilities and considerations that you **<u>must</u>** review before determining whether you can serve on this ESC, such as:

- Time commitment;
- Conflict of Interest Laws;
- Financial Reporting Requirements; and
- Ethics Training

Please review full Roles and Responsibility information at: <u>http://www.bscc.ca.gov/s_bsccexecutivesteeringcommittees/</u>.

Individuals interested in serving on the ARG ESC should be prepared to attend multiple all-day Zoom meetings. Meetings are scheduled for September 23-24, 2021; October 14, 2021; April 13-14, 2022; and, June 7, 2022 (date/time TBD). If selected to serve on the ESC you will help

develop the Request For Proposals (RFP), participate in a virtual proposal rating training and individually read and score the proposals that are submitted to develop award recommendations for BSCC Board approval. If needed, additional virtual meetings may be scheduled to ensure key activities are completed.

How to Submit a Statement of Interest

If after reviewing this information, you determine you would be able to serve on the Adult Reentry Grant Program Rental Assistance and Warm Handoff for Reentry Services ESC, please submit an email with the subject line "ARG ESC Statement of Interest " to <u>ARGCohort3@bscc.ca.gov</u> Please include the following information in the body of the email:

- Your name and title (if applicable)
- The name of the agency or organization you represent (if applicable)
- Your telephone number
- Your email address
- The geographical part of California you represent

Attach to the email a <u>Word document</u> (no more than one page) that contains your Statement of Interest. In the Statement of Interest, please address how your professional expertise and/or life experiences will assist the BSCC in meeting our diversity and subject matter expertise goals.

Once you have sent the email, you will receive an automatic reply acknowledging receipt of your submission. If you do not receive a reply within 24 hours, please resubmit your request. If after your second attempt you do not receive a reply, please email Tanya Hill, Adult Reentry Grant Field Representative, at tanya.hill@bscc.ca.gov for further assistance.

Public Comment

If you are not interested in seeking membership on the ARG ESC but you would like to provide public comments, you may email your public comments to <u>ARGCohort3@bscc.ca.gov</u>. Public comments received at this email address will be provided to the ESC for consideration. You can also provide public comment at the ARG ESC meetings.