

MEETING DATE: July 11, 2019

AGENDA ITEM: F

TO: BSCC Chair and Members

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SUBJECT: Adult Reentry Grant Program, Rental Assistance and Warm Hand-Off Funding Recommendations: **Requesting Approval**

Summary

This agenda item requests Board approval of the Adult Reentry Grant Program funding awards as recommended by its Executive Steering Committee (ESC) (Attachment F-1). If the proposed list of award recommendations is approved, the grant period would begin August 1, 2019 and end February 28, 2023. Proposals recommended for funding from FY 18-19 and FY 19-20 budget allocations will go to 69 Community-Based Organizations. A list of all proposals recommended for funding is provided in the tables below.

Background

The Budget Act of 2018 (Senate Bill 840, Chapter 29, Statute of 2018) established the Adult Reentry Grant Program and appropriated \$50,000,000 in funding (Attachment F-2). Pursuant to SB 840, the Board of State and Community Corrections is required to award competitive grants to community-based organizations (CBOs) to support persons formerly incarcerated in state prison and funding was to be allocated as follows:

- \$25,000,000 for rental assistance;
- \$15,000,000 for the rehabilitation of existing property or buildings for housing offenders released from prison;
- \$9,350,000 to support the “warm hand-off” and reentry of offenders transitioning from prison to communities;
- \$150,000 to support the Berkeley Underground Scholars Initiative; and
- \$500,000 to the BSCC for costs to administer the grant programs and report on program outcomes.

The Budget Act of 2019 (Assembly Bill 74, Chapter 23, Statutes of 2019) provided an additional \$32,950,000 for the Adult Reentry Grant, to be split 50/50 between Rental Assistance and Warm Handoff (Attachment F-3). Appropriations from the Budget Act of 2019 increased available funds as follows:

Warm Hand-off/ Reentry: \$25,001,250
Rental Assistance: \$40,651,250

These amounts are proposed to be awarded today.

On July 12, 2018, the Board appointed Board Chair Penner and Board Member Tournour as Co-Chairs of the Adult Reentry Grant Program ESC and delegated authority to the Co-Chairs

to work with BSCC staff to establish an ESC with relevant subject matter expertise to develop a Request for Proposals (RFP). During the RFP development process, concerns were raised regarding potential implementation and monitoring challenges that the BSCC encounter on the grant component for the rehabilitation of existing housing. To avoid delays in the Reentry and Warm Hand-off components of this program while the Rehabilitation information was under review, staff pulled the Rehabilitation component out of the process and continued with Reentry and Warm Hand-off. The RFP for the rental assistance warm hand-off and reentry was subsequently completed and released to the field (Attachment F-4). The Rehabilitation component will be discussed with you as Agenda Item G.

The RFP was divided into two sub-applications and applicants could submit a separate sub-proposal for one or both of the following:

Sub-Application	Eligible Applicants May Request
Rental Assistance	Up to \$3 million for entire 42-month grant period.
Warm Hand-off Reentry	Up to \$500,000 entire 42-month grant period.

The statute authorizing the Adult Reentry Grant Program does not specify the types of rental assistance and warm hand-off reentry services to be funded. The ESC placed a priority on services that provide critical-time intervention to meet the immediate needs of individuals upon their release from prison or from residential treatment if placed there by parole. Below are some examples of eligible activities and services that could be provided:

Examples of Eligible Rental Assistance Services	Examples of Eligible Warm Hand-off Reentry Services
<p>Including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Short-term emergency housing assistance • Landlord incentives • Permanent supportive housing • Rent subsidies • Transitional housing • Stipends to families willing to house target population • Vouchers • Move in costs • Credit repair 	<p>Including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reach-in services • Case management services • Transportation • Food • Emergency services • Employment/vocational • Social services • Behavioral health care • Mentors • Transitional services • System navigation

Key Activities of the ESC:

- A 17-member committee was formed and convened October 11, 2018, November 1, 2018 and November 14, 2018 to develop the RFP for the Adult Reentry Grant Program.
- The Board approved the release of the Adult Reentry Grant RFP Grant Request on January 17, 2019 with a proposal due date of March 25, 2019.
- 161 proposals were received, and 147 proposals were subsequently rated and ranked by the ESC (Attachment F-5).
- On April 9 and 10, 2019 the ESC convened to receive training on the rating of proposals.
- The ESC convened on June 18 and 19, 2019 to develop the funding recommendations to the Board.
- Project Summaries for the CBOs recommended to receive awards of Rental Assistance and Warm Hand-Off Reentry Services are included as Attachment F-6.

Recommendation/Action Needed

On behalf of the Adult Reentry Grant Program ESC, staff recommends the Board take the following actions:

- Fully fund proposals as listed in the tables below for Grant Proposals Recommended for Funding.
- Offer partial awards to Manifestworks (Warm Hand-Off Applicant) and St. John's Well Child and Family Center (Rental Assistance Applicant) which fell at the funding cut-off point as listed in the tables below for Grant Proposals Recommended for Funding.
- Authorize staff to continue to make awards from the proposal ranked-order lists if any applicant is unable to accept the award or relinquishes an award, first by offering to any partial awardee(s).
- Authorize staff to continue to make awards, as noted above, if staff determine during the follow-up award-making process that an applicant recommended for an award is ineligible or if a grantee becomes ineligible during the grant cycle.

**Grant Proposals Recommended for Funding
Warm Hand-Off Reentry Services in Ranked Order**

Rank	Applicant	Main Office	County	Amount Requested	Recommended Allocation
1	Men of Valor Academy	Oakland	Alameda	\$498,053	\$498,053
2	Abundant Living Family Church High Desert	Hesperia	San Bernardino	\$500,000	\$500,000
3	Mercy House Living Centers	Santa Ana	Orange	\$500,000	\$500,000
4	WestCare California, Inc.	Fresno	Fresno	\$500,000	\$500,000
5	Playa Vista Job Opportunities and Business Services	Los Angeles	Los Angeles	\$500,000	\$500,000
6	The Actors' Gang	Culver City	Los Angeles	\$500,000	\$500,000
7	Oakland Private Industry Council, Inc.	Oakland	Alameda	\$500,000	\$500,000
8	LightHouse Social Services	Colton	San Bernardino	\$500,000	\$500,000
9	Friends Outside in Los Angeles County	Pasadena	Los Angeles	\$500,000	\$500,000
10	Volunteers of America Los Angeles	Los Angeles	Los Angeles	\$500,000	\$500,000
11	A Safe Place	Oakland	Alameda	\$492,003	\$492,003
12	Victor Valley Family Resource Center	Hesperia	San Bernardino	\$500,000	\$500,000
13	Youth Empowerment	Lemon Grove	San Diego	\$500,000	\$500,000
14	La Clinica de La Raza, Inc.	Oakland	Alameda	\$500,000	\$500,000
15	Soledad Enrichment Action, Inc.	Los Angeles	Los Angeles	\$500,000	\$500,000
16	The Catalyst Foundation	Lancaster	Los Angeles	\$500,000	\$500,000
17	Brilliant Corners	San Francisco	San Francisco	\$500,000	\$500,000
18	Goodwill of Silicon Valley	San Jose	Santa Clara	\$498,062	\$498,062
19	Anti-Recidivism Coalition	Los Angeles	Los Angeles	\$499,626	\$499,626
20	Whole Systems Learning	Downey	Los Angeles	\$500,000	\$500,000
21	Youth Employment Partnership, Inc.	Oakland	Alameda	\$500,000	\$500,000
22	Flintridge Center	Pasadena	Los Angeles	\$495,974	\$495,974
23	San Diego Second Chance	San Diego	San Diego	\$500,000	\$500,000
24	Family Assistance Program	Victorville	San Bernardino	\$500,000	\$500,000
25	Insight Garden Program	Berkeley	Alameda	\$376,875	\$376,875
26	Community Solutions, Inc.	Ventura	Ventura	\$490,575	\$490,575
27	Self-Awareness and Recovery	Sacramento	Sacramento	\$470,067	\$470,067

28	Fresno Pacific University Center for Peacemaking and COSA Fresno	Fresno	Fresno	\$499,994	\$499,994
29	Sister to Sister 2, Inc.	Oakland	Alameda	\$496,134	\$496,134
30	JVS SoCal	Los Angeles	Los Angeles	\$500,000	\$500,000
31	The AMADD Institute	Los Angeles	Los Angeles	\$500,000	\$500,000
32	Community and Youth Outreach	Oakland	Alameda	\$499,119	\$499,119
33	The Reintegration Academy	Rancho Cucamonga	San Bernardino	\$257,400	\$257,400
34	Five Keys Schools and Programs	San Francisco	San Francisco	\$499,874	\$499,874
35	Plumas Crisis Intervention and Resource	Quincy	Plumas	\$165,622	\$165,622
36	Inland Empire United Way	Rancho Cucamonga	San Bernardino	\$499,941	\$499,941
37	Transitions Clinic Network/San Francisco Public Health Foundation	San Francisco	San Francisco	\$499,966	\$499,966
38	Building Opportunities for Self-Sufficiency	Berkeley	Alameda	\$500,000	\$500,000
39	Episcopal Community Services of San Francisco	San Francisco	San Francisco	\$478,000	\$478,000
40	Community Works West	Oakland	Alameda	\$500,000	\$500,000
41	Root and Rebound	Oakland	Alameda	\$500,000	\$500,000
42	Santa Cruz Barrios Unidos	Santa Cruz	Santa Cruz	\$465,960	\$465,960
43	Fathers and Families of San Joaquin	Stockton	San Joaquin	\$499,990	\$499,990
44	After Innocence	Oakland	Alameda	\$115,015	\$188,015
45	Centro Community Hispanic Association	Long Beach	Los Angeles	\$500,000	\$500,000
46	Project HEART, Inc.	Grass Valley	Nevada	\$498,958	\$498,958
47	The Urban Association of Forestry and Fire Professionals	Azusa	Los Angeles	\$499,995	\$499,995
48	LifeMoves	Menlo Park	San Mateo	\$500,000	\$500,000
49	Life Community Development	Adelanto	San Bernardino	\$500,000	\$484,030
50	No More Tears	Oakland	Alameda	\$500,000	\$500,000
51	Kern County Hispanic Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse Services	Bakersfield	Kern	\$500,000	\$500,000
52	North County Lifeline, Inc.	Oceanside	San Diego	\$500,000	\$500,000
53	ManifestWorks	Santa Monica	Los Angeles	\$300,000	**\$147,017
Total				\$25,001,250	

**Partial Funding Recommended

**Grant Proposals Recommended for Funding
Rental Assistance in Ranked Order**

Rank	Applicant	Main Office	County	Amount Requested	Recommended Allocation
1	LightHouse Social Services Centers	Colton	San Bernardino	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000
2	Building Opportunities for Self-Sufficiency	Berkeley	Alameda	\$2,982,746	\$2,982,746
3	Epidaurus DBA Amity Foundation	Los Angeles	Los Angeles	\$2,999,976	\$2,999,976
4	Fathers and Families of San Joaquin	Stockton	San Joaquin	\$1,934,260	\$1,934,260
5	Starting Over, Inc.	Corona	Riverside	\$1,270,007	\$1,270,007
6	Mercy House Living Centers	Santa Ana	Orange	\$2,975,870	\$2,975,870
7	Midtown Family Services	San Jose	Santa Clara	\$2,284,904	\$2,284,904
8	Volunteers of America of Los Angeles	Los Angeles	Los Angeles	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000
9	Foothill House of Hospitality	Grass Valley	Nevada	\$1,165,631	\$1,165,631
10	The AMAAD Institute	Los Angeles	Los Angeles	\$2,054,170	\$2,054,170
11	Goodwill of Silicon Valley	San Jose	Santa Clara	\$2,997,619	\$2,997,619
12	Victor Valley Family Resource Center	Hesperia	San Bernardino	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000
13	Interfaith Shelter Network, Inc.	Santa Rosa	Sonoma	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000
14	Arsola's House	Oakland	Alameda	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000
15	Shelter, Inc.	Concord	Contra Costa	\$2,999,999	\$2,999,999
16	St. John's Well Child and Family Center	Los Angeles	Los Angeles	\$2,985,000	**\$1,986,068
				Total	\$40,651,250

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Attachments

F-1: Adult Reentry Grant Executive Steering Committee Roster

F-2: Budget Act 2018 - Senate Bill 840

F-3: Budget Act 2019

F-4: Adult Reentry Grant Program Request for Proposals

F-5: List of All Adult Reentry Grant Program Applicants

F-6: Project Summaries for Proposals Recommended for Funding