



# Board of State and Community Corrections

Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program  
Crisis Intervention Advisory Board Meeting

**FEBRUARY 9, 2023**



# BACKGROUND

- Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (Byrne SCIP)
  - Formula Solicitations Released by BJA in October of 2022 to Fund:
    - State Gun Crisis Intervention Court Proceedings and,
    - Related programs including, but not limited to:
      - extreme risk protection order programs that work to keep firearms out of the hands of people who pose a threat to themselves or others
      - mental health courts
      - drug courts
      - veterans' treatment courts
  - Authorized by the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act of 2022
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# Extreme Risk Protection Order Programs

Empowers family members, health care providers, school officials, or law enforcement to petition a court to temporarily prevent a person from accessing firearms if they are found to be a danger to themselves or others.

Referred to in California as **Gun Violence Restraining Orders (GVRO)**

- Implement GVRO Programs
  - Training for judiciary and court staff on GVRO proceedings
  - Training for family members on GVRO
  - Training for first responders on GVRO
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# Communication, Education, and Public Awareness

Outreach to community members, stakeholders, municipal leaders, law enforcement agencies, and those engaging with at-risk individuals

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## Related Programs or Initiatives

- Related court-based, behavioral health deflection, and gun safety programs or initiatives include, but are not limited to:
    - Specialized court-based programs such as drug, mental health, and veterans' treatment courts, including those that specifically accept clients with firearm violations
    - Behavioral health deflection for those at risk to themselves or others
    - Funding for law enforcement agencies to safely secure, store, track, and return relinquished guns
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# BSCC Application

## BJA FY 2022 – FY 2023 Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (SCIP) Formula Allocations

State/Territory	A. Total Award Amount	B. State Share (60% per Formula)	C. Required Local Pass-through (Direct)	D. Required Local Pass-through (<\$10,000)	Maximum for Direct Administrative Costs
Alabama	\$4,489,140	\$2,693,484	\$1,287,834	\$507,822	\$448,914
Alaska	\$1,449,121	\$869,472	\$532,566	\$47,083	\$144,912
American Samoa	\$431,794	\$431,794	\$0	\$0	\$43,179
Arizona	\$6,111,652	\$3,666,991	\$2,253,220	\$191,441	\$611,165
Arkansas	\$3,210,628	\$1,926,377	\$932,845	\$351,407	\$321,063
California	\$29,231,074	\$17,538,645	\$10,694,933	\$997,497	\$2,923,107

- Application submitted in December 2022 for \$29.2 Million
- BJA has not made award announcements



# Crisis Intervention Advisory Board

States must form a diverse Crisis Intervention Advisory Board to inform and guide the state's gun and violence reduction programs/initiatives.

## Representation

- The Board must include, but is not limited to, representatives from law enforcement, the community, courts, prosecution, behavioral health providers, victim services, and legal counsel.
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# **Crisis Intervention Advisory Board Role**

Program and budget plans must be developed in coordination with and demonstrate evidence of approval by the Crisis Intervention Advisory Board.

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# Judicial Council Presentation

Director Francine Byrne

Criminal Justice Services | Operations and Programs Division

Judicial Council of California



# Judicial Council Presentation

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- California has some of the strictest gun laws in the country but there is much work remaining.
- Byrne/SCIP funding requested to support two major initiatives:
  - Conduct research to identify best practices for firearms relinquishment in criminal courts
  - Fund programs that address behavioral health needs for people in the criminal court system who are likely to use guns or be the victims of gun violence.

# Judicial Council Presentation

Conduct research to identify best practices for firearms relinquishment in criminal courts.

- Proposition 63 outlines procedures for firearms relinquishment in criminal courts
- Some counties report challenges related to the implementation of regulation.
- Procedures are varied from county to county
- Research is needed to identify the processes in each jurisdiction.
- Research finding will help identify best practices
- Resources will be developed to aid local jurisdiction in developing protocols as needed.
- Project will leverage resources begin devoted to gun relinquishment in civil restraining order cases.

# Judicial Council Presentation

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Fund programs that address behavioral health needs for people in the criminal court system who are likely to use guns or be the victims of gun violence.

- Per legislation, funding is available to address underlying behavioral health issues in collaborative courts
  - Mental Health Courts
  - Drug Courts
  - Veterans Treatment Courts



# Preliminary Program and Budget Plan

- BSCC Application included a preliminary program plan and budget
  - Proposed Program intended to:
    - develop a multipronged approach to decreasing gun violence in California;
    - to support local jurisdictions in their efforts to improve firearms relinquishment procedures;
    - and to support the enhancement of collaborative court programs that address behavioral health issues with a focus on people who are at higher risk for gun violence.
  - Preliminary Plan would implement this program via three sets of subawards
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# Preliminary Program and Budget Plan – Proposed Subawards

- Subaward to the **California Judicial Council** - **\$16,784,405** to expand and enhance collaborative courts.
  - Subaward to the **California Judicial Council** - **\$997,497** to expand and enhance collaborative courts in state courts that serve California’s “Less-than-\$10,000 jurisdictions.”
  - Subawards to **units of local government** totaling **\$10,694,933** to fund program activities including, but not limited to:
    - law enforcement programs to safely secure, store, track, and return relinquished guns,
    - behavioral health deflection programs for those at risk to themselves or others, and
    - programs that support collaborative court processes.
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# Preliminary Program and Budget Plan – Proposed Subawards

- The proposed budget allocates \$754,239 in administrative costs to the BSCC (approximately 3% of the total award)
    - The Byrne SCIP allocation allows for up to 10% of the award to be allocated for administrative costs.
    - A portion of the administrative costs will be required by the Judicial Council to manage their subawards
  - Pending Award will consist of funds from FY 2022 and 2023 combined into a single award
    - Four-Year Grant Performance Period – October 2022 to September 2026
    - Additional Three Years of funding anticipated (FY 2024-2026)
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**Questions?**