**California Violence Intervention and Prevention 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 (ESC) for the California Violence Intervention and Prevention (CalVIP) Grant Program**.** Statements of Interest for this ESC will be taken through Friday September 10, 2021, or until a full membership has been reached.

**About the CalVIP Grant**

The California Gang Reduction, Intervention and Prevention (CalGRIP) grant program was a state-funded grant designed to reduce gang violence through prevention, intervention, and suppression strategies. The State Legislature established the California Violence Intervention and Prevention (CalVIP) Grant Program in Fiscal Year (FY) 2017-18 to replace the CalGRIP grant program, which began in FY 2007-08. CalVIP provides funding for cities with the goal of reducing violence in the city and adjacent areas.

The Budget Act of 2021 (Senate Bill 129, Chapter 69, Statute of 2021) appropriated a total of $76 million in funding for the CalVIP grant program. Of this, $9 million is ongoing. Funding in subsequent years is expected to be $76 million beginning in FY 2022-23 and $75 million beginning in FY 2023-24.

Pursuant to SB 129, the Board of State and Community Corrections is required to award competitive grants to California cities and community-based organizations (CBOs) to support violence intervention and prevention initiatives.

Click [here](http://www.bscc.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/State-Budget-Act-2021-CalVIP.pdf) for the authorizing State Budget Act language.

**Interested in participating on the CalVIP 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. We are seeking members who have professional expertise and/or personal life experiences related to community-based violence intervention initiatives, program evaluation, policy development and/or advocacy. Specifically:

* Persons with direct experience (with either a governmental agency or a community-based organization) in implementing evidence-based violence reduction initiatives, including initiatives that incorporate public health and community-based approaches.
* Persons who have been impacted by violence.
* Formerly incarcerated persons.

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

**Responsibilities of the CalVIP ESC**

There are important responsibilities and considerations that you **must** 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: <http://www.bscc.ca.gov/s_bsccexecutivesteeringcommittees/>.

Individuals interested in serving on the CalVIP ESC should be prepared to attend multiple all-day Zoom meetings. Meetings are scheduled for October 7-8, 2021, October 22, 2021, and April 7-8, 2022. 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 that you would be able to serve on the CalVIP ESC, please submit an email with the subject line “CalVIP ESC Statement of Interest” to calvip@bscc.ca.gov. Please include the following information in the body of the email:

* Your Name
* 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 up a Word document (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 help us meet our diversity and subject matter expertise goals (as listed above).

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 Katrina Jackson, CalVIP Field Representative, at katrina.jackson@bscc.ca.gov for further assistance.

**Public Comment**

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