

Proposition 47 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 Proposition 47 Grant Program. Statements of Interest for this ESC will be taken until Friday, October 22, 2021 or until a full membership has been reached.

Proposition 47 Grant Program

Proposition 47 was a voter-approved initiative on the November 2014 ballot that reduced from felonies to misdemeanors specified low-level drug and property crimes. Each year, the state savings generated by the implementation of Proposition 47 are deposited into the Safe Neighborhoods and Schools Fund. Sixty-five percent of these savings are set aside annually for the BSCC to administer a competitive grant program.

The BSCC anticipates that in FY 2021 approximately \$75.3 million will be available for competitive awards. Additionally, in FY 2022-23, the BSCC anticipates receiving a similar amount in the annual deposit (approximately \$75.7 million) After accounting for administrative costs, this means that cohort 3 will have approximately \$142.5 million available for Prop 47 grants.

Proposition 47 requires that these funds be awarded to public agencies to provide mental health services, substance use disorder treatment and/or diversion programs for those in the criminal justice system. Additional legislation (AB 1056, Chap. 438, Stats. of 2015) requires that the grants be awarded competitively, specifies that funds may serve both adults and juveniles, and allows funds to be used for housing-related assistance and other community-based supportive services, including job skills training, case management or civil legal services.

Interested in participating on the Proposition 47 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. AB 1056 further requires that the ESC have expertise in homelessness and housing, behavioral health and substance abuse treatment, and effective rehabilitative treatment for adults and juveniles. Prior experience on an Executive Steering Committee is not a requirement to serve on the Proposition 47 ESC.

Responsibilities of the Proposition 47 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 Proposition 47 ESC should be prepared to attend multiple all-day Zoom meetings or potential in person meetings. Meetings are tentatively scheduled for November 16-17, 2021, December 3, 2021, May 24, 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 you would be able to serve on the Proposition 47 ESC, please submit an email with the subject line "Prop 47 ESC Statement of Interest" to Prop47ESC@bscc.ca.gov. 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 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 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 Dameion Renault, Proposition 47 Field Representative, at dameion.renault@bscc.ca.gov for further assistance.

Public Comment

If you are not interested in seeking membership on the ESC but you would like to provide public comments, you may email your public comments to Prop47Cohort3@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 Proposition 47 ESC meetings.
