

MEETING DATE: June 7, 2018

AGENDA ITEM: E

TO: BSCC Chair and Members

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SUBJECT: Proud Parenting Program Grant Funding Recommendations:
Requesting Approval

Summary

This agenda item requests Board approval of the Proud Parenting Grant Program (PPGP) funding awards as recommended by its Executive Steering Committee (ESC) (Attachment E-1). If the proposed list of grantees is approved, the three-year grant period would begin July 1, 2018 and end June 30, 2021. Proposals recommended for funding include one Probation Department, two Offices of Education, and five Community-Based Organizations (CBOs). A list of proposals recommended for funding is provided in Attachment E-2. Corresponding proposal summaries are provided in Attachment E-3.

Background

The PPGP, previously known as the “Young Men as Fathers Program,” was originally established in 1997 under the California Youth Authority. In 2005, the Corrections Standards Authority assumed grant administration responsibility for the program, and upon its establishment in 2012, the BSCC assumed responsibility. This grant program funds parenting services to young parents and expectant parents, between the ages of 14 and 25 at time of project participation enrollment, who were involved in the criminal/juvenile justice systems and/or considered crossover youth within the child welfare system.

Funding for this grant program has historically been appropriated annually in the California State Budget Act in the amount of \$835,000. If approved, and subject to the annual appropriation, the recommended grantees would be funded through the 2018, 2019, and 2020 State Budget Acts.

On June 8, 2017, the Board approved the formation of an ESC to oversee the development of the PPGP RFP and grant recommendations, appointed Michael Ertola, Board Member and Chief Probation Officer of Nevada County, to serve as Chair, and delegated authority to him to establish an ESC and to modify membership if needed.

The ESC convened on November 1, 2017 to develop the PPGP RFP. On February 8, 2018, the Board approved the February 9 release of that document (Attachment E-4).

The BSCC conducted a Bidders’ Conference in Sacramento (also livestreamed) on March 1, 2018 to address questions from prospective applicants. The BSCC received 31 proposals

requesting a total of \$3,168,888: five from Probation Departments; four from Offices of Education; and 22 from CBOs.

On April 11, 2018, the ESC received training by BSCC research staff on how to read and rate the proposals based on the rating criteria established in the RFP. On May 22, 2018, ESC members convened to discuss the proposals and establish the ranked list of proposals meeting the scoring threshold (Attachment E-2). The ESC is recommending awards go to the highest-ranked applicants.

Recommendation/Action Needed

On behalf of the PPGP ESC, staff recommends the Board:

- Fully fund the eight top ranked proposals (Attachment E-2) totaling \$826,974 for projects providing parenting services to young or expectant parents previously involved with the criminal/juvenile justice systems and/or cross-over youth within the child welfare system.
- Accept the ESC's recommendation that the balance of \$8,026 be distributed to the three proposals recommended for funding that did not request the maximum RFP amount of \$104,375 and allow staff to adjust their Budget Tables and Scope of Work as necessary.
 - Encompass Community Services: Offer an additional \$7,186
 - Tulare County Office of Education: Offer an additional \$465
 - Fathers & Families of San Joaquin: Offer an additional \$375
- Authorize staff to offer a conditional award to the applicant(s) next in line on the rank order list, if an applicant does not accept the conditional grant award.

Attachments

- E-1: PPGP Executive Steering Committee (ESC) Roster
- E-2: List of PPGP Proposals Recommended for Funding
- E-3: PPGP Proposal Summaries
- E-4: PPGP Request for Proposals (RFP)