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NOTICE OF FUNDS AVAILABILITY (NOFA) AND RELEASE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)

DATE: February 16, 2024

TO: California Cities and Counties

FROM: Kathleen T. Howard, Executive Director

SUBJECT: **AVAILABILITY OF FUNDING FOR THE BYRNE STATE CRISIS INTERVENTION PROGRAM**

The Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) is announcing the release of the Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (Byrne SCIP), Request for Proposals (RFP). This RFP makes \$10.6 million available through a competitive process.

The Byrne SCIP program provides funding to support a multipronged approach to decreasing gun violence in California, supporting local jurisdictions in their efforts to improve firearms relinquishment procedures. Byrne SCIP funds may be used for programs that address one or more of the Program Purpose Areas (PPA) listed below:

- **PPA 1: Communication, Education, Outreach, and Public Awareness** (related to Extreme Risk Protection Order (ERPO) laws and programs);
- **PPA 2: Behavioral health deflection for those at risk to themselves or others;**
- **PPA 3: Funding for law enforcement agencies to safely secure, store, track, and return relinquished guns** (including guns relinquished through a variety of protective orders, which includes Gun Violence Restraining Orders (GVRO), Domestic Violence Restraining Orders (DVRO), Elder or Dependent Abuse Restraining Orders, and Civil Harassment Restraining Orders).

Proposals must be received through the BSCC-Submittable Application online portal by **5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 5, 2024**. Instructions for using the BSCC-Submittable Application online portal are provided on the [Byrne SCIP website](#), as are the Byrne SCIP RFP Instruction Packet and mandatory documents for upload into the application portal.

A virtual Grant Information Session will be held via Zoom on March 7, 2024 at 9:30 A.M. A link to the Bidder's Conference is provided within the RFP and will be posted on the BSCC website.

The BSCC staff cannot assist the applicant or its partners with the actual preparation of the proposal. Any technical questions concerning the RFP, the proposal process, or programmatic issues must be submitted by email to ByrneSCIP@bscc.ca.gov.