

MEETING DATE: April 19, 2018 **AGENDA ITEM:** C

TO: BSCC Chair and Members

FROM: Rachel Rios, Chair of California's State Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (SACJJDP)

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SUBJECT: Title II Federal Fiscal Year 2018-2020 State Plan: **Requesting Approval**

Summary

This agenda item requests Board approval of SACJJDP's Title II Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2018-2020 State Plan (Attachment C-1), which also serves as BSCC's application for the FFY 2018 Title II award. This agenda item further requests Board approval to submit this State Plan and application to the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP).

Background

The Federal Title II formula grant is administered by the OJJDP to provide funding to the states to develop programs to address delinquency and improve the juvenile justice system. The State is required to maintain a State Advisory Group as a condition of receiving its Title II award under the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDP) (42 U.S.C. § 5601 et seq.). SACJJDP serves as this State Advisory Group (See Attachment C-2 for a roster of members) and is required, subject to Board approval, to participate in the development of the State's three-year plan. The OJJDP Title II Federal Solicitation describes the State's requirements for receiving Title II funds (Attachment C-3).

The BSCC's current State Plan ends in September 2018. As a condition of ongoing Title II funding, the BSCC is required to submit a new three-year State Plan for FFYs 2018 through 2020. In fulfillment of SACJJDP's responsibility to participate in the development of the State Plan, Chair Rios led SACJJDP through a comprehensive effort that produced the State Plan now under your consideration.

The SACJJDP began work on this State Plan during the summer of 2017. Following its regular meeting on June 21, 2017, SACJJDP hosted a public listening session in Sacramento to hear directly from the community about issues, concerns and priorities for juvenile justice. A second listening session was held in Los Angeles on September 20, 2017. During the month of September 2017, the BSCC distributed a public survey that was used to gather input directly from the public regarding the needs and priorities of youth and communities. BSCC also established a SACJJDP e-mail box to receive public input. Finally, BSCC provided SACJJDP with juvenile detention data from counties and information regarding current trends and issues in the field of juvenile justice. All this information is included in the State Plan.

This information, along with the subject-matter expertise of the SACJJDP membership and OJJDP requirements, informed the development and recommendations of this State Plan. This State Plan establishes the two highest priority needs within California's juvenile justice system which are: 1) to keep youth out of the juvenile justice system by promoting community and family supports and 2) to promote youth success by reducing recidivism. Within these priorities, SACJJDP decided upon six Program Areas:

- 1) Aftercare/Reentry
- 2) Alternatives to Detention
- 3) Community-Based Programs & Services
- 4) Diversion
- 5) Mental Health Services and
- 6) Mentoring Counseling & Training Programs

This State Plan will largely fund local and tribal grant programs in the above Program Areas. Funds are also set aside for the JJDP core protections:

- 1) Deinstitutionalizing status offenders and nonoffenders
- 2) Separating adult and juvenile offenders in secure institutions (separation)
- 3) Eliminating the practice of detaining or confining juveniles in adult jails and lock ups (jail and lockup removal)
- 4) Reducing racial and ethnic disparities.

The strategy for reducing racial and ethnic disparities is currently under development and will be included in the FFY 2019 State Plan. This State Plan will be updated annually as required by OJJDP as a condition of receipt of continued Title II funding in FFY 19 and FFY 20.

Recommendation/Action Needed

Staff recommends the Board approve the SACJJDP's approved Title II Federal Fiscal Year 2018-2020 State Plan and authorize staff to submit this State Plan and application to the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

Attachments

- C-1 – Title II Federal Fiscal Year 2018-2020 State Plan
- C-2 – SACJJDP Membership Roster
- C-3 – 2018 Title II Federal Solicitation