

**MEETING DATE:** July 25, 2022

**AGENDA ITEM:** F

**TO:** BSCC Chair and Members

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**SUBJECT:** Local Law Enforcement Gun Buyback Grant Program, Appointment of Chair and Establishment of an Executive Steering Committee:  
**Requesting Approval**

### Summary

This agenda item requests approval to establish an Executive Steering Committee to oversee the development of a Request for Proposals for the Local Law Enforcement Gun Buyback Grant Program. Staff is also requesting that the Board designate a Chair to oversee the grant development process, authorize staff to work with the ESC Chair to establish a diverse ESC with relevant subject-matter expertise, and delegate authority to the Chair to modify the ESC membership if needed.

### Background

The Budget Act of 2022 (Senate Bill 154) established the Local Law Enforcement Gun Buyback Grant Program and appropriated \$25 million in funding (Attachment F-1). Per the Budget Act, the competitive grant funds shall be used to support gun buyback programs in local law enforcement agencies. The grants must be structured to incorporate evidence-based methods for reducing firearm violence. This includes, but is not limited to, providing incentives only for fully functioning firearms, providing more incentives for the types of firearms used to commit firearm-related crimes, and prioritizing the types of individuals or locations more prone to firearm violence. The competitive grants shall be made to agencies that can demonstrate, using data, that firearm-related violence or crime poses a significant problem in their jurisdictions.

### Proposed Activities

In consultation with the appointed Chair, Staff will establish an ESC that is diverse in professional and lived experience, geography, gender, and demographics. The BSCC will seek interested persons to submit a statement of interest to serve on the ESC through the BSCC's website: [Executive Steering Committees - Seeking Membership](#).

Below are the proposed activities and the tentative timeline necessary to administer a competitive RFP process for the Local Law Enforcement Gun Buyback Grant Program:

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Tentative Timeline</b>
BSCC Board Considers Chair Appointment and ESC Establishment	July 25, 2022
ESC Recruitment and Formation	July - August, 2022
RFP development	September - November 2022
Present the RFP for BSCC Board approval	November 17, 2022
Release the RFP to the Field	November 2022
Bidders' Conference	December 2022
Proposals Due to the BSCC	February 2023
Proposal Rating Process and Development of Funding Recommendations	March-May 2023
BSCC Board Considers Funding Recommendations	June 2023
Grants Begin	July 2023

### **Recommendation/Action Needed**

Staff recommends that the Board:

1. Appoint a Chair to the Local Law Enforcement Gun Buyback Grant Program Executive Steering Committee;
2. Delegate authority to the Chair to work with BSCC staff to establish a diverse ESC with relevant subject matter expertise and to modify membership as needed;
3. Authorize the ESC to oversee the development of the Local Law Enforcement Gun Buyback Grant Program RFP and to make funding recommendations; and
4. Approve the proposed activities and tentative timeline associated with development of the Local Law Enforcement Gun Buyback Grant Program RFP.

### **Attachments**

F-1: Budget Act of 2022 ([Senate Bill 154](#))