

**CaVIP PROPOSAL SUMMARIES****Cities (in alphabetical order)****City of Delano**

The City of Delano will form a partnership with established community-based organizations to provide a multi-faceted public health approach to reduce violence in the most impacted neighborhoods, while strengthening community-police relationships. The project will provide evidence-based interventions that include street outreach, hospital-based violence intervention, community engagement, training for law enforcement and stakeholders, intensive case management, job readiness and training, and tattoo removal.

**City of Merced**

The City of Merced, in partnership with Merced County Probation, created Pathways to Success as an extension of existing reentry services. Pathways to Success will incorporate a multiagency collaborative approach to work with youth and their families needing specified levels of care, services, and support. In addition to their wrap-around reentry support services, Program to Success will offer a softer, more supportive, and personalized landing for youth reentering into the community by incorporating case management and cognitive behavior therapies.

**City of Moreno Valley**

The City of Moreno Valley, through their partnership with Rising Stars Business Academy, will provide critical street outreach and case management services to address the increased levels of violence in high-impacted communities. Services will be provided to at-risk youth and their families through Street Outreach and Community Violence Intervention, an evidence-based strategy that delivers specialized, targeted street-based mediation and prevention efforts to reduce gang violence, transform individuals, and rebuild communities. The city will offer culturally competent client-centered services inclusive of crisis intervention, youth development, informal case management, and community mobilization.

**City of San Diego**

The City of San Diego's Peacemaker Project will focus on engaging serious and chronic offenders and gang involved youth using de-escalation tactics and wraparound service model, while providing a comprehensive array of support services to help youth heal, reject gangs, and avoid criminal behavior – in particular gun violence.

**City of Stockton**

The City of Stockton's Operation Ceasefire will provide community-wide reduction strategies through credible messengers, focused deterrence, intensive case management, and wraparound services, all of which address the needs of those at highest risk of becoming a perpetrator or victim of gun violence. The city will expand the Ceasefire strategies to youth while also creating a youth prevention/intervention program focused on deterring young people from violence.

## Community-Based Organizations (in alphabetical order)

### **Advocates for Peace & Urban Unity**

Westside Intervention Network is comprised of several violence intervention programs led by Advocates for Peace & Urban Unity, along with other youth-serving organizations, to address gang-related violence in and around the City of Los Angeles. The program will use gang intervention to reduce the violence created by youth gangs, primarily through outreach, mitigating situations that lead to violence, and mediating when violence occurs.

### **Brothers Against Banging Youth (BABY)**

Brothers Against Banging Youth will enhance their existing comprehensive, evidence-informed, and multidisciplinary gang prevention program to prevent and reduce incidences of violence. Specifically, they will target at-risk and gang and justice involved youth and adults living within identified neighborhoods of Los Angeles.

### **Building Opportunities for Self-Sufficiency (BOSS)**

Building Opportunities for Self-Sufficiency will provide an innovated, highly collaborative, multi-strategy model to address both the effects and root causes of violence in Oakland. The model will emphasize peer leadership – Cultural Influencers/Credible Messengers – to model and promote messages of peace and guide violence impacted/involved individuals to lifestyle changes, combined with neighborhood-based support services, tangible resources, and economic opportunity through intensive workforce development, paid transitional work, and employer partnerships.

### **Community Build, Inc.**

Community Build, Inc. (CBI) will serve youth, young adults, and their families within the City of Los Angeles through street outreach, violence prevention, healing events/rallies and intervention services. CBI will use linkages with law enforcement, municipal leaders and BIPOC community/faith-based stakeholders to address individual and community level trauma, healing, and education services leading to violence prevention and effective crisis response.

### **Improve Your Tomorrow**

Improve Your Tomorrow's We Are Resilient is a three-year place-based violence prevention and reduction initiative that will train 100 Mentor Fellows who will reach young men of color mentees in the Sacramento and Stockton, through community organizing, events, and advocacy. Improve Your Tomorrow will also offer young men of color and their families case management, linkages, and referrals to serve to address pressing needs.

### **Just Us 4 Youth**

Just Us 4 Youth's Pomona 4 Peace will use restorative practices, street outreach, and hospital-based violence intervention to reduce violence. It will increase employment and job training, initiate two-generation mentoring, and provide intensive case management to promote diversion. In addition, they will conduct neighborhood clean-ups to engage neighbors, and offer photography and theater classes/activities to broaden horizons for at-risk youth.

**Life After Uncivil Ruthless Act**

Led by people most impacted by violence – including formerly incarcerated people and the surviving family members of victims of community and law enforcement homicides - Life After Uncivil Ruthless Act's Eastside Connection program will utilize street outreach, crisis intervention and violence interruption, transformative justice, and public education, leadership development and power building to reduce homicides and other violence. They will also deepen community relationships, peer support and mutual aid, increase connection to resources and opportunities, repair harm and promote the long-term healing of individuals, families, and neighborhoods.

**ReImagine Mack Road Foundation**

ReImagine Mack Road Foundation's Movement 4 Life (M4L) will serve youth and young adults in the City of Sacramento who are extremely in-risk of perpetrating or being victims of gun violence. Participants will enter the program through street outreach provided by M4L Neighborhood Change Agents and referrals from Sacramento County Probation. The project will provide a range of research-based services including street outreach, case management, mental health counseling, intergenerational mentoring, learning excursions, and paid internships.

**Sanctuary of Hope**

Sanctuary of Hope's Foster Hope program will support young people who are housing insecure or at-risk, child welfare or justice-involved, and low-income with life coaching (case management), system navigation, basic needs, mental and behavior health, diversion, mentoring, and academic and employment assistance to bolster resilience, prevent violence, and foster safer communities.

**Sierra Health Foundation: The Center for Health Program Management**

Sierra Health Foundation's Healing the Hood program builds upon a three-tiered approach: Tier 1) Prevention focuses on youth who are at-risk of being involved in violence; Tier 2) Intervention serves youth and young adults already involved in violence; Tier 3) Crisis response and interruption offers two distinct services to reach people already engaged in gun violence and/or gang activity.

**Soledad Enrichment Action**

Soledad Enrichment Action will serve violently injured youth and young adults through their Caught in the Crossfire hospital-based-peer- violence intervention program. Their trauma-informed approach is coupled with the evidence-based approach of Positive Youth Development (PYD), which enables them to use their client's strengths to counter their challenges. PYD helps strengthen the youth's ability to respond to emotional and social challenges in health, effective ways.

**The Dream Center**

The Dream Center's PLANS for Peace will offer evidence-based interventions to recently incarcerated and homeless residence of Los Angeles with a history of violence through Cognitive Behavioral Therapy in a group setting and individual intensive case management.

**The Regents of the University of California, San Francisco**

The Regents of the University of California, San Francisco Wraparound Project (WAP) is a hospital-based violence intervention program that offers intensive case management to victims of violence to prevent violent reinjury and perpetration. The WAP relies on culturally affirming violence prevention professionals to deliver targeted services that address the root causes of violence associated with the social determinates of health including employment, education, legal, mental health, and relocation services.

**Urban Peace Institute**

Urban Peace Institute (UPI), and their identified community partners, will train and support twelve new community-based intervention workers who will work to reduce violent crime in various neighborhoods of Los Angeles. They will also convene a Rapid Response Team to identify and deploy violence intervention workers to crime hotspots within the City of Los Angeles.

**Wendale Davis Foundation**

Wendale Davis Foundation will provide focused intervention services for youth by providing early-stage intervention through case management and intensive mentorship services. Participants will be assigned a case manager/mentor to provide one-on-one services, service navigation, and ongoing daily support. Additionally, the Foundation’s violence intervention efforts will be aided by its continued presence in the city’s overall violence reduction efforts by continuing interruption, street outreach, and community engagement. Lastly, the Foundation will continue to maintain a strong volunteer base whose goal is to address and reduce violence within the City of Bakersfield.

**Small Scope Community-Based Organizations (in alphabetical order)**

**Be Finally Free, Inc**

Be Finally Free’s Beyond Anger and Violence is an evidence-based intervention designed for individuals who struggle with managing their anger and the effects of past trauma. Based on a social-ecological model that combines theoretical knowledge and clinical expertise, this comprehensive and holistic program utilizes a variety of therapeutic strategies that guide participants to build a toolbox of practical, hands-on approaches and exercises that will help them develop effective, less damaging coping strategies.

**Community United for Restorative Youth Justice (CURYJ)**

CURYJ provides violence intervention and interruption to local community through culturally rooted healing, leadership development, and youth organizing practices. Their Leadership Development includes “Homies 4 Justice” paid internship for system-impacted youth and the Dream Beyond Bars pad fellowship for formerly incarcerated young people. Through each, CURYJ will provide job training, and community organizing skills leadership and professional development, healing-centered approaches to trauma, and culturally rooted education. In addition, CURYJ’s Community Healing work uplifts art and culture, provides violence interruption and intervention, healing and restoration after harm, and relationship-based life coaching for the most vulnerable community members.

**Flintridge Center**

Flintridge Center’s project will employ a trauma-informed approach to meet the needs of the target population through diversion and intensive case management, for both youth and adults and in addition they will offer employment/job training, financial assistance services for adults with a prior violent offense conviction as well as previously incarcerated and gang-impacted adults. Finally, through Vision 2020 Institute, they will offer a leadership development and training program for previously incarcerated and gang-impacted adults, which follows the principle of collective efficacy.

**General Conference of Seventh Day Adventists**

General Conference of Seventh Day Adventists Pathfinder Youth & Teen Leadership program will address violence prevention via public health, economic, and criminal justice risk factors with the mission of preventing violence before it occurs.

**Hope Now for Youth, Inc.**

Hope Now for Youth is a faith-based gangs-to-jobs program that will expand their existing evidence-based workforce development, job placement and mentoring strategies to system-impacted young men.

**Immanuel Sobriety, Inc. dba Immanuel House**

The Immanuel House Intensive Residential Recovery House Program will fill a service gap for individuals with violent crime convictions exiting the prison system and entering the community, with co-occurring neuropsychiatric diagnoses and a history of substance abuse. The integrated approach includes evidence-based treatment that focuses on the interdependent characteristics of mental health disorders and substance use disorders and treats both as primary conditions.

**National Prevention Science Coalition to Improve Lives, Inc.**

The National Prevention Science Coalition will lead a coalition of small grass roots nonprofits that work with youth and young adults by offering a paid job training program to engage youth who are at risk of violence and gang involvement. The trainings are led by credible messengers as mentors and leaders in that includes job training, life skills, and conflict resolution.

**Rainbow Labs Mentoring, Inc.**

Rainbow Labs Mentoring’s We Belong program is an LGBTQ+, trauma-informed, evidence-based 40 hour per year violence prevention and mentoring model for LGBTQ+ youth of color that focuses on individual mentoring, group mentoring, team building and life skill development.

**The Peace and Justice Law Center**

The Peace and Justice Law Center will provide legal services to individuals transitioning out of gangs and help them accelerate and facilitate their desistance from gang involvement. Some of the legal issues they will assist with will include misdemeanor arraignments, arrest warrants, gang injunction removal, DMV holds, and legal aid.