

CITY OF SANTA ROSA  
CITY COUNCIL

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
FROM: JASON CARTER, PROGRAM MANAGER  
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SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT A GRANT  
APPLICATION TO THE BOARD OF STATE AND COMMUNITY  
CORRECTIONS FOR THE 2018-2020 CALIFORNIA VIOLENCE  
INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION GRANT PROGRAM

AGENDA ACTION: MOTION

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended by the Office of Community Engagement that the Council, by Motion, approve the submission of the 2018-2019 California Violence Intervention and Prevention (CALVIP) grant application to the Board of State and Community Corrections for \$500,000 for the period of May 1, 2018 – April 30, 2020.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Staff is proposing to submit a grant application to the Board of State and Community Correction's 2018-2020 California Violence Intervention and Prevention grant program. The Partnership seeks to continue funding the Guiding People Successfully (GPS) Program to provide wraparound case management, trauma-informed care, and youth development opportunities for youth and families participating in the program.

The CalVIP grant award directly fulfills Council Goal 5: Improve the Partnerships between Neighborhoods, Community Organizations, Schools, and the City to Support and Promote Thriving, Inclusive, and Diverse Neighborhoods. The grant award funds to enhance the ability of the Santa Rosa Violence Prevention Partnership to identify the needs of our youth, provide critical life skill programs to address these needs, and case management to reduce youth recidivism and encourage their making successful positive changes in their lives.

BACKGROUND

The Fiscal Year 2017-18 State Budget includes funding in the amount of \$9,215,000 for the California Violence Intervention and Prevention (CalVIP) Grant Program, to be administered by the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC). The CalVIP

grant program replaces the former California Gang Violence Reduction, Intervention, and Prevention (CalGRIP) Grant Program. The grant period is from May 1, 2018 – April 30, 2020.

The Budget Act requires that a grant in the amount of \$1,000,000 be made available to the City of Los Angeles. The remaining \$8,215,000 will be made available for competitive grants to cities and community-based organizations. The maximum allowable grant amount \$500,000 for the two-year period, with the requirement that a minimum of 50% of awarded funds must be distributed to CBOs. At least two grants shall be awarded to cities with populations of 200,000 or less.

As part of the Request for Proposals process, preference will be given to applicants in cities or regions that are disproportionately affected by violence, and shall give preference to applicants that propose to direct CalVIP funds to programs that have been shown to be the most effective at reducing violence.

It is a requirement of the grant award that each city that receives a grant shall collaborate and coordinate with area jurisdictions and agencies, including the existing county juvenile justice coordination council, with the goal of reducing violence in the city and adjacent areas. Each city is to establish and use a coordinating and advisory council to prioritize the use of funds. The Santa Rosa Violence Prevention Partnership (Partnership) has been established since 2003 and fulfills this BSCC council requirement of including city officials and local law enforcement, including, at a minimum the chief of police, county sheriff, chief probation officer, and district attorney; local educational agencies, including school districts and the county office of education, and community and faith-based organizations.

Applicants for CalVIP grant funds shall include clearly defined, measurable objectives for the grant. CalVIP grantees shall report to the BSCC regarding their progress in achieving those objectives. Should the City be successful with its application, The Partnership is proposing to partner with LPC Consulting Services to continue providing evaluation services for the GPS Program.

## ANALYSIS

The Office of Community Engagement will submit a grant proposal on January 22, 2018 for \$500,000 for the period of May 1, 2018 – April 30, 2020 to continue providing funding for the Guiding People Successfully (GPS) Program. With previous CalGRIP funding, the Partnership introduced an integrated Positive Youth Justice (PYJ) developmental framework and three additional evidence-based programs (e.g. *Tackling Tough Skills*™ provided by SAY, *Motivational Interviewing* provided by the City of Santa Rosa, and *El Puente* provided by Lifeworks). The Partnership also instituted wraparound service delivery, case management, work readiness, jobs, and a Multi-Disciplinary Assessment & Referral Team (MDART). CalVIP funding will continue to strengthen The Partnership's capacity through collaboration with the Sonoma County Human Services Department for use of Apricot, their data management system

designed to track outcomes and facilitate shared assessments, data collection, and cross-agency coordination.

The Office of Community Engagement seeks to continue partnering with the following sub-contracted agencies for a total of \$300,000, and if awarded the funding agreements would require Council approval.

- Individuals Now doing business as Social Advocates for Youth for a total of \$170,000;
- Lifeworks of Sonoma County for a total of \$130,000; and
- LPC Consulting Services to fulfill the evaluation requirements of the grant. LPC has provided research and evaluation services for governmental, social, and academic partners including the County of Sonoma and County of Sacramento Human Services Departments, along with The Partnership's 2015-2017 CalGRIP grant program. The funding agreement for LPC will total \$100,000.

The grant requires a dollar-for-dollar match of the funds awarded to the recipient (cash or in-kind). The following highlights the proposed sources of matching funds:

- Existing Measure O-funded staff time from the Office of Community Engagement to manage and administer the program.
- Operating costs from the community-based organizations receiving CalVIP funding through this proposal.
- 1.0 LTE Community Outreach Specialist position and Apricot database previously funded by CalGRIP. The position coordinates and administers the GPS Program, MDART, and partners funded by the grant award.
  - Council approved one-time funding from the Measure O fund balance to pay for the position from January 1, 2018 – June 30, 2018, which includes the first two months term of the grant award (May – June 2018).
  - Sonoma County Probation has been an integral partner in the development and implementation of the GPS program and MDART. They have agreed to pay for the position for the period of July 1, 2018 – September 30, 2019.
  - The grant proposal will include a request for CalVIP funding to pay for the position from October 1, 2019 – April 30, 2020, which requires Council approval prior to submission of the grant proposal per the City's Grant Policy #000-62.

FISCAL IMPACT

Council approval does not have a fiscal impact on the General Fund or Measure O.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

This action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it is not a project which has a potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, pursuant to CEQA Guideline section 15378.

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Not applicable

NOTIFICATION

Not applicable

ATTACHMENTS

Not applicable

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