



CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT



July 19, 2022

ITEM TITLE

Grant Award and Appropriation: Accept a Grant from the California Board of State and Community Corrections for California Violence Intervention and Prevention Grant Program and Appropriate Funds

Report Number: 22-0204

Location: No specific geographic location

Department: Police

Environmental Notice: The activity is not a "Project" as defined under Section 15378 of the California Environmental Quality Act State Guidelines; therefore, pursuant to State Guidelines Section 15060(c)(3) no environmental review is required.

Recommended Action

Adopt resolutions A) Accepting \$1,728,456 in grant funds from the California Board of State and Community Corrections, adding one Peace Officer to the authorized staffing level of the Police Department, and appropriating \$573,016 to the Police Grants Section of the State Grants Fund for California Violence Intervention and Prevention (CalVIP) Grant Program **(4/5 Vote Required)**; B) Approving an agreement with the California Board of State and Community Corrections for the California Violence and Prevention (CalVIP) Grant Program; and C) Approving agreements with SBCS and San Diego Association of Governments for the California Violence and Prevention (CalVIP) Grant Program.

SUMMARY

The Police Department has been awarded grant funding from the California Board of State and Community Corrections for the California Violence Intervention and Prevention (CalVIP) Grant Program. The purpose of CalVIP is to improve public health and safety by supporting effective violence initiatives in communities that are disproportionately impacted by violence.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The Director of Development Services has reviewed the proposed activity for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and has determined that the activity is not a "Project" as defined under

Section 15378 of the State CEQA Guidelines because it will not result in a physical change in the environment; therefore, pursuant to Section 15060(c)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines, the activity is not subject to CEQA. Thus, no environmental review is required.

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Not applicable.

DISCUSSION

Administered by the California Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC), the purpose of the California Violence Intervention and Prevention (CalVIP) Grant Program is to improve public health and safety by supporting effective violence initiatives in communities that are disproportionately impacted by violence. CalVIP grants are used to support, expand, and replicate evidence-based violence reduction initiatives, including, without limitation, hospital-based violence intervention programs, evidence-based street outreach programs, and focused deterrence strategies, that seek to interrupt cycles of violence and retaliation in order to reduce the incidence of homicides, shootings, and aggravated assaults.

On June 9, 2022, the Police Department received notification of a \$1,728,426 award for the CalVIP Grant Program. This funding will be used in a multifaceted strategy partnering the Police Department's School Resource Officer (SRO) unit with SBCS to address the growing issue of youth violence in the community by increasing education and outreach, expanding officer intervention capacity, and adding a much-needed aftercare component to address a gap in mental health services available to youth who are system involved and/or at risk of being involved in violence.

Specifically for the Police Department, the grant will fund salaries and benefits of one School Resource Officer through the project end period on June 30, 2025, resulting in the addition of one Peace Officer to authorized staffing level of the Police Department. Due to current officer vacancies, the Police Department will utilize existing officers on an overtime basis until an officer is selected to fill this grant-funded position. Overtime costs are also funded by the grant to support project goals.

The CalVIP grant also funds contractual services with SBCS Corporation for youth development, prevention and intervention services provided by 1.5 FTE therapists co-located within the CVPD School Resource Officer Unit and embedded within the existing Community Assessment Team (CAT), Juvenile Diversion, Alternatives to Detention (ATD) and CHOICE programs. CAT provides family-based prevention services for at-risk youth (6-18 years old) to help avoid future involvement in the juvenile justice system. The Juvenile Diversion program works to divert low-level juvenile offenders from entering the juvenile justice system. ADT provides a spectrum of detention alternatives for low to medium risk juvenile defenders who do not present a safety risk to the community. CHOICE serves probation youth who require intensive supervision due to higher risk level and needs. Through these enhanced programs, SBCS will provide mindfulness-based mental health services for Chula Vista youth under this grant.

For project evaluation and monitoring, San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) will work closely with CVPD and SBCS throughout the grant period to ensure ongoing monitoring and quality control of the proposed program implementation, as well as documenting and assessing whether the project is achieving the intended goals and outcomes.

The CalVIP award covers a 3-year project period of July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2025. When the project activity period ends June 30, 2025, the 6-month period of July 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025 is for completion of Final Local Evaluation Report (conducted by SANDAG).

DECISION-MAKER CONFLICT

Staff has reviewed the decision contemplated by this action and has determined that it is not site-specific and consequently, the 500-foot rule found in California Code of Regulations Title 2, section 18702.2(a)(11), is not applicable to this decision for purposes of determining a disqualifying real property-related financial conflict of interest under the Political Reform Act (Cal. Gov't Code § 87100, et seq.).

Staff is not independently aware, and has not been informed by any City Council member, of any other fact that may constitute a basis for a decision maker conflict of interest in this matter.

CURRENT-YEAR FISCAL IMPACT

Approval of Resolution A will result in the acceptance of \$1,728,456 from the Board of State and Community Corrections for the California Violence Intervention and Prevention (CalVIP) Grant Program and the addition of one Peace Officer to the authorized staffing of the Police Department. Council approval will also result in the appropriation of \$167,331 to the personnel category, \$378,625 in the supplies and services category and \$27,060 for indirect costs in the Other category of the Police Grant Section of the State Grants Fund. The funding from BSCC will completely offset these costs, resulting in no net fiscal impact to the General Fund.

ONGOING FISCAL IMPACT

Because the grant period covers multiple fiscal years, future budgets will include \$1,155,440 in the base line budgets as noted below over the three-year grant period.

CATEGORY	FY 22/23	FY 23/24	FY 24/25	3-YEAR TOTAL
Officer Salaries and Benefits	\$127,331	\$135,958	\$142,711	\$406,000
Overtime	\$40,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$80,000
Subcontract with SBCS	\$322,825	\$330,673	\$347,158	\$1,000,656
Project Evaluation - SANDAG	\$53,000	\$38,000	\$66,000	\$157,000
Travel/Training	\$2,800	\$0	\$0	\$2,800
Indirect Costs	\$27,060	\$25,420	\$29,520	\$82,000
TOTAL BSCC FUNDING	\$573,016	\$550,051	\$605,389	\$1,728,456

Personnel costs for the Peace Officer beyond the project period (ending 6/30/2025) are contingent upon additional grant funding or available City funds. To retain this Officer position, the fiscal impact is approximately \$160,000 in FY 25/26.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: BSCC Agreement # BSCC 808-22 for CalVIP Grant Program

Attachment 2: Agreement with SBCS Corporation

Attachment 3: Agreement with San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG)

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