



CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT



January 6, 2026

ITEM TITLE

Agreement Amendment: CalVIP Grant Program Agreement Amendments with SBCS and SANDAG

Report Number: 26-0012

Location: No specific geographic location

Department: Police

G.C. § 84308 Regulations Apply: No

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 a resolution approving amendments to agreements with SBCS Corporation and San Diego Association of Governments for the California Violence Intervention and Prevention Grant Program.

SUMMARY

The California Board of State and Community Corrections has approved a no-cost term extension for the California Violence Intervention and Prevention (“CalVIP”) Grant Program. The purpose of this item is to approve amendments to the City’s agreements with SBCS and SANDAG to align those agreements with the extended grant period.

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

On July 19, 2022, City Council accepted a grant from California Board of State and Community Corrections (“BSCC”) 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.

Specifically for the Police Department, the CalVIP grant award in the amount of \$1,728,426 funded salaries and benefits of one School Resource Officer through June 30, 2025, as well as contractual services with SBCS Corporation for youth development, prevention and intervention services and SANDAG for project evaluation and monitoring services.

With the grant funding, a multifaceted strategy partnered 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.

Since its launch in July 2022, the CalVIP project has demonstrated strong and measurable impact on at-risk youth who have been service connected via law enforcement intervention. To date, 567 youth have been enrolled, with 463 receiving mental health services through the partnership between the SRO Unit and SBCS, resulting in 96% showing measurable improvement. Across all program components, CALVIP achieved a 90% overall successful completion rate, reflecting consistent engagement and effective service delivery. Project AWARE supported 127 youth, with 88% of youth successfully completing their enhancement and reporting improvements in motivation, confidence, and positive adult connection. TARGET (Trauma Affect Regulation: Guide for Education and Therapy) cohorts showed similarly high completion rates, ranging from 90% to 97% across Alternatives to Detention (ATD) and (Community Assessment Team (CAT) groups. Gun safety presentations have been delivered at school assemblies, in classrooms, during Coffee with the Principal events, and in partnership with participants in SBCS programs. These efforts have reached over 425 students and parents. Ongoing statistical evaluation by SANDAG, including quarterly dashboards, helped in identifying areas for needed modification to meet the needs of at-risk youth for greater overall program success. These outcomes collectively demonstrate that the CalVIP project is effectively increasing access to trauma-informed services, strengthening youth resiliency, and reducing risk factors associated with violence.

The original CalVIP grant term covered a three-year project period from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025. BSCC has approved a no-cost term extension for the CalVIP grant. With the extension, the project activity period now ends June 30, 2026. After the activity end period, there is a six-month period of July 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026 for completion of Final Local Evaluation Report (conducted by SANDAG).

DECISION-MAKER CONFLICT

Staff have reviewed the decision contemplated by this action and have determined that it is not site-specific and consequently, the real property holdings of the City Council members do not create a disqualifying real property-related financial conflict of interest under the Political Reform Act. (Gov. Code, § 87100, et seq.)

Staff is not independently aware and have 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

There is no current-year fiscal impact as a result of this action. The Board of State and Community Corrections for the California Violence Intervention and Prevention (CalVIP) Grant Program has granted a no-cost extension. Costs associated with the extension of the SBCS Corporation and SANDAG agreements are fully offset by the grant and were included in the fiscal year 2025-26 budget in the Police Grant Section of the State Grants Fund.

ONGOING FISCAL IMPACT

There is no ongoing fiscal impact as a result of this action.

ATTACHMENTS

1. BSCC Amendment to Agreement BSCC 808-22 for CalVIP Grant Program
2. Agreement with SBCS Corporation for CalVIP Grant
3. Agreement Amendment with SBCS Corporation
4. Agreement with San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) for CalVIP Grant
5. Agreement Amendment with SANDAG

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