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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:



Hilda L Solis First District Holly J. Mitchell Second District Lindsey P. Horvath Third District Janice Hahn Fourth District Kathryn Barger Etth District

AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT AND IMPLEMENT A FORTHCOMING AWARD AND FUTURE AWARDS AND/OR AMENDMENTS FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, BOARD OF STATE AND COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS FOR THE CALIFORNIA VIOLENCE INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION PROGRAM

(SECOND AND FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

Provide authorization to accept and implement a forthcoming award and/or future awards and/or amendments from the State of California, Board of State and Community Corrections for the California Violence Intervention and Prevention Program.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

- 1. Delegate authority to the Director of the Department of Public Health (Public Health), or designee, to accept and implement a forthcoming award from the State of California, Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC), to support the California Violence Intervention and Prevention (CalVIP) Program, for the period of January 1, 2026, through June 30, 2029, at an estimated amount of \$5,000,000, as determined by BSCC, subject to review and approval by County Counsel, and notification to your Board and the Chief Executive Office (CEO).
- 2. Delegate authority to the Director of Public Health, or designee, to accept future awards and/or amendments that are consistent with the requirements of the BSCC award referenced in Recommendation 1 that extend the term at amounts to be determined by BSCC; and/or provide an increase or decrease in funding, subject to review and approval by County Counsel, and notification to your Board and the CEO.

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3. Delegate authority to the Director of Public Health, or designee, to accept future amendments that are consistent with the requirements of the BSCC award referenced above that reflect non-material and/or ministerial revisions to the award's terms and conditions and allow for the rollover of unspent funds and/or redirection of funds, subject to review and approval by County Counsel.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of Recommendation 1 will allow Public Health to accept a forthcoming award from BSCC to support the implementation of the CalVIP program, which aims to enhance the Office of Violence Prevention's (OVP) Trauma Prevention Initiative (TPI) by improving public health and safety through supporting community-based gun violence reduction efforts in communities that are disproportionately impacted by gun violence. TPI communities include East Los Angeles, Puente Valley, Pomona in the First District; Westmont West Athens, Willowbrook, Florence Firestone, and unincorporated Compton in the Second District; Norwalk, Hawaiian Gardens in the Fourth District; and Lancaster and Palmdale in the Fifth District.

The purpose of the grant is to fund projects which disrupt cycles of violence and retaliatory actions in order to lower the rates of homicides, shootings, and aggravated assaults in affected communities. The CalVIP grant will fund a variety of evidence-based programs designed to reduce community gun violence, such as hospital-based violence intervention programs, street outreach initiatives, and focused deterrence strategies. OVP's CalVIP proposed project will increase capacity across the TPI communities and across Los Angeles County, and address identified service gaps in the TPI model by piloting new strategies in the aforementioned communities in the Second District and Fifth District.

The funding will allow Public Health to: 1) pilot case management services for high-risk individuals driving violence in two TPI regions (Second District and Fifth District); 2) invest in a new trauma hospital to provide Hospital Violence Intervention Program (HVIP) services; 3) increase investment in the Peer to Peer Learning Academy to train more credible messengers countywide; and 4) build standardized protocols and regional collaboration across County of Los Angeles and City partners implementing community violence intervention strategies.

Approval of Recommendation 2 will allow Public Health to accept future awards and/or amendments that are consistent with the requirements of the BSCC award referenced above to extend the term at amounts determined by BSCC; and/or provide an increase or decrease in funding. This authority is being requested to enhance Public Health's efforts to expeditiously maximize grant revenue, consistent with Board Policy 4.070: Full Utilization of Grant Funds.

Approval of Recommendation 3 will allow Public Health to accept future amendments that are consistent with the requirements of the BSCC awards referenced above that reflect non-material or ministerial revisions to the award's terms and conditions, roll over unspent funds, and/or redirection of funds.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended actions support North Star 1: Make Investments that Transforms Lives, of the County's Strategic Plan.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

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Public Health will accept a forthcoming award from BSCC at an estimated amount of \$5,000,000 for the period of January 1, 2026, through June 30, 2029. Final funding will be determined by BSCC.

Funding will be included in Public Health's fiscal year (FY) 2025-2026 Budget and will be included in future FYs, as necessary.

There are no net County costs associated with this action.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On February 14, 2025, BSCC opened a competitive solicitation titled: California Violence Intervention & Prevention CalVIP Grant Program Cohort 5 to allow eligible applicants, which include counties, cities, and tribes disproportionately impacted by community gun violence and the community-based organizations that serve them, to apply for the CalVIP grant opportunity.

On August 15, 2025, Public Health submitted a proposal in response to the BSCC competitive solicitation and anticipates receiving notification of the estimated funding award by December 15, 2025.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the recommended actions will allow Public Health to accept a forthcoming award and future awards and/or amendments from BSCC for the CalVIP program to increase TPI capacity and address service gaps in the Second District and Fifth District. BSCC funds will allow for the expansion of current community violence intervention ecosystem, which includes a variety of evidence-based programs that strengthens the County's public safety infrastructure.

Respectfully submitted,

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County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors