

## BSCC Awards \$37m in Anti-Violence Grants

SACRAMENTO (September 10, 2020) – The Board of State and Community Corrections today awarded 18 cities and 14 community-based organizations roughly \$37 million in funding to combat violence in their areas.

The California Violence Intervention and Prevention Grant is designed to help communities that are disproportionately impacted by violence through support programs that reduce and stop violence. The awards begin October 1, 2020 and end December 31, 2023.

The City of Grass Valley will use its \$574,695 award in partnership with the nonprofit Foothill House of Hospitality to target services for people who are unsheltered, mentally ill and addicted. A homeless services case manager will work with a dedicated police officer to respond to calls using de-escalation strategies to build trust.

A unit of the Fresno Police Department will receive \$1.26 million to work with community-based organizations focused on at-risk youth through activities such as outreach, tattoo removal, structured sports programs, counseling and computer lab classes.

The City of Sacramento's Youth Peacemakers Fellowship project will receive \$1.5 million to reduce gun violence through services for youth with the highest risk of gang involvement, including counseling and healing, transformational excursions and internships.

Of the \$30 million awarded, \$9 million is ongoing funding associated with the grant, \$21 million is one-time funding added by the Legislature in the Budget Act of 2019. The Budget Act of 2020 added an additional \$9 million to the available pot of funding, and the BSCC pooled both budget allocations into a single grant.

The BSCC had received a total of 74 proposals seeking \$78 million. For more information about the funded proposals click here

The BSCC is a multi-disciplinary agency that offers technical support and training to local corrections departments and administers millions of dollars in rehabilitative grants.

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