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Grant Funding Opportunity for Local Government Agencies to Prevent Gun Violence

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TO: CALIFORNIA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

California cities and counties have an important grant funding opportunity to support gun violence prevention and firearm relinquishment activities.

California's Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) is currently accepting applications from city and county agencies for the Byrne SCIP) Grant. Under this grant, BSCC will award approximately \$11 million to support programs and initiatives that have a direct connection to the goal of reducing gun violence or improving firearm relinquishment procedures. To achieve those goals, grant proposals must also have a direct connection to crisis intervention activities focused primarily on identifying risk and proactively intervening to prevent harm. Applicants may implement new or expanded activities, strategies, or programs across one or more program purpose areas outlined in the request for proposals. These include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Programs to enhance utilization and implementation of court <u>protection and restraining order</u> processes.
- 2. Programs to identify and connect individuals who may be a danger to themselves or others with mental health care or other community services.
- 3. Law enforcement programs to enhance service of court protection and restraining orders, enhance firearm relinquishment procedures, safely store and track firearms relinquished by prohibited persons and the public, support community gun violence problem analysis and response, and support crisis intervention or co-responder activities.

The deadline to apply is April 7, 2025. The grant period will last from August 1, 2025, to September 30, 2027. Applicants must designate a lead public agency with local government authority to coordinate grant activities.

For additional information about this grant opportunity and how to submit an application, please see the BSCC's Byrne SCIP Grant webpage at www.bscc.ca.gov/byrne-state-crisis-intervention-program/.