MEETING DATE: February 13, 2020 AGENDA ITEM: B

TO: BSCC Chair and Members

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SUBJECT: Youth Reinvestment Grant Amended Request for Proposals:

Requesting Approval

Summary

This agenda item requests Board approval to amend the Request for Proposals for the Youth Reinvestment Grant (YRG) to ensure that nonprofit organizations that received nominal pass-through awards under the 2018 YRG program are eligible for 2019 YRG funding. Other proposed changes increase the total dollar amount available to reflect that one 2018 YRG grantee has reverted its funds, and extend the due date for proposals by four weeks.

Background

The Youth Reinvestment Grant RFP was approved by the Board at its November 14, 2019 meeting. It was released to the field that day, with proposals due February 14, 2020.

The ESC originally wanted to ensure that the 2019 YRG funds went to entities that had not received major 2018 funding.

Following the release of the 2019 YRG RFP, however, several nonprofit organizations contacted the BSCC with concerns about RFP wording that made ineligible all organizations that received 2018 YRG funds as a pass-through from a direct applicant or lead public agency, no matter how nominal the amount. Accepting a pass-through award had the unintended effect of prohibiting these organizations from applying for, or accepting, any 2019 YRG funds.

At the time of that decision, the ESC had not considered that some nonprofits had received these nominal amounts of 2018 YRG funding. Since the original intent was not to exclude nonprofits that received minimal funds, the amendment presented today would provide that any nonprofit organization that received less than \$100,000 in 2018 YRG funds is eligible to apply for 2019 YRG funds. Under the amended RFP, those nonprofits could apply for 2019 YRG funds either as a direct applicant or as a pass-through entity.

The proposed changes also include an increase of \$1.3 million in funds to reflect both the relinquishment of a 2018 award by the City of Pico Rivera and updated budget projections. According to the Pico Rivera staff, turnover and other internal changes left them unable to implement their YRG project.

Increasing the total funds available to \$11,808,818 from \$10,500,000 would augment the funding categories and amounts available for each as follows:

		Funds Allocated
Project Category	For Applicants Requesting:	to this Category
1) Small	Up to \$600,000 for the entire grant	\$2,808,818
Request	period	\$2,500,000
2) Medium	More than \$600,000 and up to \$1.2	\$4,500,000
Request	million for the entire grant period	\$4,000,000
3) Large	More than \$1.2 million and up to \$2	\$4,500,000
Request	million for the entire grant period	\$4,000,000
		\$11,808,818
Total:		\$10,500,000

Finally, minor conforming changes were made to timelines, dates, and related requirements to extended deadlines to accommodate newly eligible applicants. All changes are shown in the amended RFP through the use of strikeout and underline format in red text.

Revised RFP Activities and Tentative Timeline

Activity	Tentative Date	
Release Request for Proposals Solicitation	November 14, 2019	
Bidders' Conference	December 12, 2019	
Letter of Intent Due to the BSCC	December 20, 2019	
Grant Proposal/Application Due to the BSCC No later than 5:00 p.m. PST	March 13 February 14, 2020	
Technical Compliance Review (TCR)	March 14-31 February 17-28, 2020	
Proposal Rating Process and Development of Funding Recommendations	April – May, 2020	
BSCC Board Meeting for Funding Approval	June 11, 2020	
New YRG Grants Begin/Contract Start Date	July 1, 2020	
Mandatory Grantee Orientation	To Be Determined	

Recommendation/Action Needed

Staff recommends that the Board:

1. Approve and authorize release of the amended YRG RFP.

Attachments

- B-1: Amended 2019 YRG Request for Proposals
- B-2: Letter from Pico Rivera relinquishing their 2018 YRG award