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TO: BSCC Chair and Members

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SUBJECT: Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT) Program Grant Funding Recommendations: **Requesting Approval**

Summary

This agenda item requests Board approval of the Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT) Program grant awards as recommended by its Executive Steering Committee (ESC) (Attachment C-1). If the proposed list of grantees is approved, the three-year grant period will begin July 1, 2018 and end June 30, 2021. A list of proposals recommended for funding is provided in Attachment C-2. Corresponding proposal summaries are provided in Attachment C-3.

Background

The Board of State and Community Corrections is the designated state administering agency for the RSAT Program, which is funded through the federal Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA). The RSAT Program assists states and local governments in developing and implementing substance-use disorder treatment programs in state, local, and tribal correctional and detention facilities, and supports efforts to create and maintain community-based aftercare services for offenders. Historically, the California RSAT Program has funded local detention facilities' efforts to provide jail-based treatment services, with an aftercare component requirement placed on the grantees.

A total of \$942,109 in federal RSAT funding is available for the first year, July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. Applicants will be allowed to request up to a maximum of \$314,046. A non-competitive Request for Application (RFA) for continuation funding will be issued for the second year (July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020) and the third year (July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021). Continued funding for the second and third years is contingent on the amount and availability of federal funding and on compliance with the RSAT program requirements. A 25 percent match of the funds awarded to the recipient (cash or in-kind) is required.

On September 14, 2017, the Board appointed Board Member Growdon as Chair of the RSAT ESC and delegated authority to Sheriff Growdon to finalize ESC membership and oversee the development of the Request for Proposals (RFP) (Attachment C-4). The RFP was released to the public on February 9, 2018. The response due date was April 6, 2018. Eligibility was limited to local units of government representing adult jail detention facilities. Proposal submissions were limited to one jail detention facility within a county.

In compliance with the requirements of the 2017 federal solicitation issued by BJA, the RSAT program design includes:

- Only local units of government representing adult jail detention facilities are eligible to apply and only one jail detention facility within a county may submit a proposal.
- Applicants must be able to provide a jail-based substance-use-disorder treatment program that includes aftercare services. RSAT funding may be used for the in-custody component, the aftercare component, or both.
- Applicants must be able to provide an in-custody component for participants for at least three months and no more than 12 months and, to the extent possible, separate the treatment population from the general correctional population.
- The program must provide evidence-based treatment or services that focus on the inmate's cognitive, behavioral, social, vocational, and other skills to solve the substance use disorder and related problems.
- The program must prepare participants for successful community reintegration that may include post-release referral to appropriate evidence-based aftercare treatment and/or service providers including those that support the use of medication-assisted treatment.
- The program must require urinalysis and/or other proven reliable forms of drug and alcohol testing for program participants.
- Aftercare services for up to one year are to be offered to those individuals who have completed the in-custody component of the RSAT program.

Applicants were able to request a maximum of \$314,046 each. Six proposals were received and subsequently rated and ranked by the ESC. The ESC met on May 17, 2018 and is recommending funding for three projects (Attachment C-2).

Recommendation/Action Needed

On behalf of the RSAT ESC, staff recommends that the Board:

- Approve the Executive Steering Committee's proposed list of Sheriff's Offices, reflected on Attachment C-2, to receive a total of \$942,109 in Fiscal Year 2018-19 for the RSAT Program and funding on a non-competitive basis for up to two additional years (12-month grants) if:
 - (a) the federal appropriation continues for the RSAT Grant Program,
 - (b) the grantee is making measurable progress toward stated goals, and

(c) the grantee is in compliance with all contractual requirements.

- Fully fund the Santa Cruz County RSAT project if the BSCC receives a sufficient increase in the 2018-19 federal RSAT award.
- Authorize staff to accept relinquished awards and offer conditional awards to eligible applicants next in line on the rank order list if an applicant is unable to accept the conditional grant award.

Attachments

C-1: RSAT Executive Steering Committee Roster

C-2: List of RSAT Proposals Recommended for Funding

C-3: RSAT Proposal Summaries

C-4: RSAT Request for Proposals