

CaVIP Cohort IV Grantees (07/01/2022 – 12/31/25)
CaVIP PROPOSAL SUMMARIES

Cities (in alphabetical order)

City of Antioch

The City of Antioch will develop an evidence-based public health approach to reducing gun violence by providing street outreach and case management to those identified as highest risk of gun violence.

City of Bakersfield

The City of Bakersfield will design and implement a prevention initiative with a priority placed on those who are at highest risk to gun violence as a victim or perpetrator as an expansion of their gun violence reduction efforts. The project aims to prevent and reduce gun violence by forming a collaborative partnership with established community-based organizations and other agencies to provide a coordinated response, outreach, mentorship, and deliver evidence-informed practices.

City of Chula Vista

The City of Chula Vista will expand upon its current violence prevention program targeting at-risk youth, including public outreach and education campaigns for students and parents. Outreach includes presentation to parents on the moral and legal obligations of gun ownership, best practices for gun storage safety, and case studies where otherwise legally owned guns were at risk of being used by youth in Chula Vista. Additionally, Chula Vista Police Department will expand the scope of its violence prevention program in conjunction with local community-based organizations, SBSCS, to ensure follow-up services are available to the youth at risk of violence and their family.

City of Fresno

The City of Fresno will offer violence intervention programming at Camp Fresno for at-risk youth and young adults. Camp Fresno participants will receive opportunities for recreational therapy in the Sierra National Forest as well as exposure to motivational speakers in areas of personal empowerment, conflict resolution, and resiliency. The project also includes funding to augment Fresno Summer Nights programming to activate local parks during the summer periods of increased violence through sports tournaments and car shows. Additionally, the City will augment the Street Outreach Coalition Training Modules to build capacity to violence prevention and intervention.

City of Hemet

The City of Hemet will develop Community Wide Collaborative focused on making substantial initial investments to better understanding the dynamics of violence in the community through a Problem Analysis, build on evidence-based intervention strategies, both violence interruption and ongoing life coaching rooted in cognitive behavioral theory and based on the credible messenger model of transformative mentoring.

City of Long Beach

Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services will implement the Long Beach Advancing Safe Communities (LB ASC) program citywide with a focus on thirteen neighborhoods disproportionately impacted by gun violence in North and Central Long Beach. LB ASC will expand their Gun Violence Response Protocol citywide, increase interventionist/Peacekeeper engagement, provide supportive services and economic opportunities for youth and families impacted by gun violence, and increase social connectedness to transform and establish safe and healthy neighborhoods.

City of Los Angeles

The Gang Reduction and Youth Development (GRYD) Office and GRYD providers will utilize the GRYD Gang Prevention and GRYD Gang Intervention Models of service as well as the GRYD Incident Response Protocol and violence interruption coordination approaches to identify the target population in Los Angeles' six focus areas, which includes those individuals at highest risk of perpetrating violence or being victimized by violence. Each GRYD contracted agency will be required to use either the Social Embeddedness Tool (SET) or Youth Services Eligibility Tool (YEST) to assist in identifying youth either already involved in gang violence or at highest risk of joining a gang.

City of Modesto

The City of Modesto Police Department and its community-based partners created Project SUCCESS (Serving and Understanding our Community with Compassion and Education for Safer Streets) with the aim to strengthen police-community relationships, provide opportunities for early intervention, education, family and mental health services, and provide for a safer community by reducing crime and the fear of crime in Modesto. Project SUCCESS will utilize the evidence-based strategies of focused deterrence, mentoring through credible messengers, mental health services, street outreach, and employment/job training to prevent and redirect towards positive pathways for both adolescences and reintegration for juveniles and adults recently released from incarceration.

City of Oakland

The City of Oakland will enhance its existing focused deterrence model by implementing four additional evidence-based practices with the three groups that are responsible for most of the group-driven shootings and homicides in Oakland. The Prevention and Intervention Family System Model will offer six months of coaching and education sessions. Family coaches will recruit individuals and their families through home visits. Once families are enrolled, strategy teams will work collectively to sustain engagement of all family members. Coaches will meet with families once a month and with index individuals twice a month to engage them in coaching and educational sessions. Families will practice constructive ways to problem solve, communicate, and make decisions that they will apply to problems, including exposure to violence.

City of Pasadena

The City of Pasadena Public Health Department's Pasadena Intervention and Prevention Project (PIPP) will interrupt the cycle of youth gang and gun violence through the identification of at-risk

and high-risk youth in Pasadena. The PIPP will fill service gaps in Pasadena by providing evidence-based prevention services, innovative intervention services, and system development that will build, improve, and maintain community capacity to address youth gang and gun violence in Pasadena. PIPP will take a wraparound approach and look at each youth in the context of their family and provider services in a holistic manner.

City of Pomona

The Pomona Partnership for Violence Prevention and Neighborhood Wellbeing will work to reduce violence in the City of Pomona by establishing an Office of Violence Prevention and Neighborhood Wellbeing to coordinate all activities. The Pomona OVP will serve individuals in Pomona who are at highest risk of involvement in violence crime and the community members most directly affected through street outreach, community stakeholder engagement, cognitive behavioral therapy, diversion, employment and job resources, intensive case management, mental health services, and mentoring through credible messengers. They will improve social cohesion in key areas most impacted by violence through collective efficacy including neighborhood building activities. Additionally, they will strengthen community-police relationships through group violence intervention/focused deterrence, principled policing training, direct support of families affected by violence, and the creation of a high impact Violence Prevention Team of officers.

City of Richmond

The Beloved Community: Next Level Collaborative will serve individuals in Richmond and West Contra Costa County who are currently involved or at risk of involvement in violent crime. Individuals will enter the program through street outreach by the Office of Neighborhood Safety, law enforcement, health system and community referrals through the RYSE Youth Center. Project partners Office of Neighborhood Safety, RYSE Youth Center, Richmond Police Activities League, National Council of Crime and Delinquency and Literacy for Every Adult Program (LEAP) will provide a menu of evidence-based interventions, life skills training, stipends, structured activities, and employment training, along with in-depth evaluation of the program.

City of Salinas

The City of Salinas Police Department will develop and implement a juvenile diversion program to provide intervention programs for at-risk youth exhibiting delinquent behavior and create a new Community Outreach Team to reduce violence, support intervention activities, services and build community trust. The Natividad Medical Foundation will expand its hospital-based violence intervention program, CHOICE, housed at Natividad Medical Center, through a peer-based case management and trauma-informed support services to reduce retaliation and prevent re-injury. Partners for Peace (PRP) will provide the Parent Project program for the parents and caregivers of youth exhibiting dangerous and out-of-control behaviors and expand the Step-Up mentoring program who display two or more high risk behaviors. Rancho Cielo will expand the Tiny Home construction program providing high risk youth with a high school diploma, needed wraparound services, and construction skills.

City of San Bernardino

The City of San Bernardino Violence Intervention Program is designed to break the cycle of community violence citywide and improve outcomes for young people in-risk of violence through a focused deterrence, evidence-based community violence intervention street outreach strategy, coordination of trauma informed, culturally relevant interventions and prevention services. Services include individual and family case management services, crime suppression rooted in principles of procedural justice, and long-term transitional service plans for program participants.

City of San Francisco

San Francisco Police Department (SFPD) will work with the Street Violence Intervention Program, California Partnership for Safe Communities, and the University Pennsylvania to implement, and evaluate an evidence-based violence reduction strategy to provide services to at-risk individuals. Focused primarily in San Francisco's Supervisorial District 10, the project will seek to reduce shootings and homicides, reduce recidivism, re-arrest, and victimization and build trust in and legitimacy of SFPD specifically with individuals involved in or impacted by gun violence. This strategy will combine elements of procedural justice, intensive life coaching, and case management through a cognitive behavioral therapy model with aspects of focused deterrence.

City of Vallejo

The City of Vallejo's Project HOPE (Harm-focused Outreach, Prevention and Education) includes a comprehensive violence reduction framework to address gun and gang violence and community-police relations. Centered on youth and young adults, Project HOPE establishes comprehensive, community-based, and equitable access to justice, services, and career opportunities through place-based programming designed to prevent, interrupt, and mitigate violence. Evidence-based, trauma-informed violence intervention services through wraparound case management, family education and engagement, youth diversion, neighborhood revitalization and on-the-job workforce training will repair relationships and reduce victimization. Non-enforcement activities and Koper Curve hotspot policing will also take place.

Community-Based Organizations (in alphabetical order)

Able-Disabled Advocacy, Inc.

Able-Disabled Advocacy's (A-DA) Career\$mart program will serve youth who are on probation, system-impacted, and/or vulnerable to gang involvement with a priority to serve youth with disabilities. A-DA will enlist an employment/training model that incorporates evidence-based prevention and intervention strategies to reduce criminal behavior, victimization, and recidivism.

Alliance for Community Empowerment

Alliance for Community Empowerment (ACE) will address unmet needs in communities which experience high levels of poverty, unemployment, and gang-related violence, including high levels of homicides and aggravated assaults. The project is designed to leverage existing resources and fill gaps in violence intervention and service delivery programs. ACE will increase outreach and response to violence in local high schools, and strengthen its response to street violence, engaging both perpetrators and victims. Informal and intensive case management services will

be provided to potential participants to heal trauma, promote family integration, and create opportunities for employment through job training and supportive services.

Anti-Recidivism Coalition

Anti-Recidivism Coalition (ARC) will provide evidence-based programming and resources for community safety, increasing protective factors and reducing risk factors for violence among young people. Services will begin within juvenile justice facilities which house youth from the cities of Sacramento and Los Angeles through credible messenger mentorship and intensive case management. Upon release, ARC will provide warm hand-off to program participants through community-based services including housing, employment, education, and trauma-informed social services including Cognitive Behavioral Therapy and other evidence-based behavioral and mental health interventions.

Athletes for Life

Athletes for Life's Master Achiever Violence Intervention Project (MA-VIP) enhances Intrinsic Motivation among youth likely to be violent or victims of violence. MA-VIP offers mentor supported mental health, skills building, and job training support that reinforces changed behavior through three tracks: Mental Health/Wellness, Directed Job Skills Training/Placement, and Positive Youth Development/Academic Progress that addresses community, family/individual, and societal factors perpetuating violence.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Orange County and the Inland Empire

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Orange County and the Inland Empire will expand their evidence-based, professionally supported mentoring for at risk youth. The program will provide youth with two years of mentorship with community-based volunteers. In addition to mentoring support, the agency will work with mentees and families to access wraparound supports from other community partner and schools, including mental health services, basic needs and educational support.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of San Diego County

Big Brothers Big Sisters of San Diego County (BBBS) will expand their evidence-based mentorship model to reach youth in communities disproportionately impacted by violence. For youth disproportionately impacted by violence, close relationships with a mentor can be the difference between misdirected negative emotions, associating with gangs, and/or committing crimes versus talking through challenges and emotions, feeling heard, and understood. BBBS will focus on the importance of a one-to-one mentoring connection and being a resource in the youth's healing process.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Bay Area

Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Bay Area (BBBSBA) will expand their evidence-based mentoring programs across seven eligible cities with increasing violence. BBBSBA will work in tandem with community partners to serve youth living in high-violence communities by matching them with trained and vetted mentors and providing professional case management.

Bounce Back Generation

You Are the Bounce Back Generation will provide in-person and online safe support spaces, social media, web, and direct marketing tools to provide resilience-building practical tools and training to youth. Bounce Back Generation will hire peer youth content creators, outreach partners and local influencers to increase the reach and adoption of resilience-building engagement, training, and assessment strategies.

Boys & Girls Club of Santa Monica

The Boys & Girls Club Violence Prevention Intervention will draw on new and existing referrals from schools, probation, and group homes to provide intensive case management to youth at the highest risk of violence. After an evaluation is conducted, participants will be placed in one of two tracks depending on their risk factors. Participants with a lower risk score will receive social-emotional, leadership, academic, arts and sports sessions. Participants with higher risk scores will receive intensive case management including goals for the youth and their families.

CASA of Los Angeles

CASA of Los Angeles' Prevention and Early Intervention Program youth who have an active case in the child welfare system and are in or at risk of involvement in the juvenile and adult justice system. The program will provide participating youth with direct case management, individualized advocacy, facilitated peer mentoring, and training that are designed to promote self-sufficiency and prevent pro-longed and multi-generation system involvement.

Centinela Youth Services

The Community Healing Collaborative will support and expand successful grassroots-led lethal violence interruption efforts in South Los Angeles. Customizing the Cure Violence approach, street outreach will identify young people at highest risk of perpetrating or being a victim of violence. Engagement and intervention strategies include credible messengers, service navigation, hospital response coordination, intensive case management, Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, mental and behavioral health services, diversion mentoring and academic and employment assistance to reduce drives of violence.

Centro CHA

Centro CHA's multicultural alliance will address symptoms of violence related to trauma and reconnect high-risk youth back to their perspective communities' history, values, and traditions to support a holistic healing approach and social-emotional and character development through evidence-based strategies rooted in trauma-informed care including one-on-one mentoring and peer support groups, intensive case management, youth cultural ambassador leadership training, and linkages to mental health services.

Champions in Service

Champions in Service will implement a multi-prong approach that includes Community Intervention Workers, Case Managers, Community Engagement Workers that will focus on preventing gang related incidents, reducing retaliation, responding to incidents, and supporting families. The strategy will include lived-experienced mentorship, substance abuse, life skills,

anger management, domestic violence courses, job readiness/certification, access to college programs, support groups, parenting classes, and tattoo removal services.

CityServe Network

CityServe Network will offer a three-part strategy: group cognitive-behavioral therapy, mental health services, and intensive case management with a focus on group cognitive-behavioral therapy to high-risk individuals within the City of Bakersfield.

Community Action Commission of Santa Barbara County

Secure Families/Familias Seguras is a new collaborative violence prevention program that will address the root causes of rising rates of violence that will offer holistic, family-focused support and evidence-based interventions proven to be effective in preventing or deterring community violence in target populations, particularly among youth. The program will focus on youth and their families, offering case management, mental health treatment, mentoring, and education curriculum.

D&Js Counseling and Support Services

D&J's Counseling and Support Services' Making Santa Maria Safer Project targets gang-involved adults who are desirous of exiting the gang. The project utilizes the evidence-based interacting journaling curriculum to address individual problem areas based on a risk needs assessment.

EntreNous Youth Empowerment Services

EntreNous Youth Empowerment Services' Compton Survival Initiative: Safety, Transformation, Outreach Peace (CSI STOP) and their key partners will provide comprehensive violence interruption services, needs assessments, individualized service planning, intensive case management, mentorship, community engagement, job training, employment and counseling services to participants at-risk of violence.

Epidaurus dba Amity Foundation

AmityWorks Training Academy will create a direct education to employment pathway for criminal justice involved individuals through the Substance Abuse Disorder Counselor Certification Program and Facility Maintenance Technician Program. Amity will assist with college enrollment and applying for financial aid, tuition payment, internship stipends, paid field work experience, technology supports and tutoring.

Fresh Lifelines for Youth

Fresh Lifelines for Youth (FLY) will expand coordinated prevention and intervention efforts in Oakland, Richmond, Antioch, San Francisco, and San Jose. FLY will partner with local agencies to provide law-related education which builds young people's knowledge about the law along with essential skills for healthy decision-making and pro-social behaviors and intensive case management to youth and young adults who are system-involved, diverted from the system, or high-risk to prevent recidivism and address racial/ethnic disparities in the criminal justice system.

Fresno County Economic Opportunities Commission

Fresno County Economic Opportunities Commission will expand the Advance Peace model that will include additional Peacemaker Fellowship participants, program staff, junior fellowship component to address root causes of violence and individuals most at-risk of being involved in gun-related incidents. The program will provide wraparound services meeting a wide range of needs including food and shelter assistance, social service navigation, career development, anger management and conflict resolution, mentoring, and life goal planning.

Garden Pathways

Garden Pathways will provide services to youth and adults at highest risk of being victims or perpetrators of violence through increase capacity for the hospital-based violence intervention program; develop a street outreach team of four trained individuals that can conduct outreach in the street, hospital, and juvenile and adult institutions, and also mentor and facilitate groups; continue as a strategic partner with the City of Bakersfield's Office of Violence Intervention and Prevention; and collaborate with juvenile and adult institutions to provide outreach services to individuals in custody.

Girls Club of Los Angeles

The Girls Club of Los Angeles, with the partnership of two community-based organizations, will provide intensive case management services and mentoring services to at-risk youth and their families who reside in South Los Angeles. The project will provide college and career prep services, mentorship, tutoring services, and will facilitate monthly Juvenile Justice Jeopardy sessions to participating youth.

God's Pantry

God's Pantry will improve the health and safety of the community members that have been disproportionately affected by violent crimes, both past and present, through a multi-pronged approach through crisis intervention, community outreach and provide employment and support through the workforce development program and wraparound services.

Healing Urban Barrios

Healing Urban Barrios will provide intensive case management and street outreach to prevent and deter violence within the City of Los Angeles. The program will address racial violence, promote education, and job training to expose those most at risk to new opportunities and career paths. Additionally, mediation will be a key factor to programming to promote togetherness of all people at risk of violence.

Homeboy Industries

Homeboy Industries' violence reduction strategy engages individuals who are most likely to be victims or perpetrators of gun violence through a wraparound evidence-based intensive case management program that will provide clients with the skills, services, and support system to allow them to leave the gang lifestyle.

John Muir Health

John Muir Health will expand the Beyond Violence program to address the escalating levels of violent incidence of individuals who have experienced a violent incident in Antioch and Richmond. Expanding programs will include siblings and other family members of individuals who have experienced violence to help address the coverage and service gaps, specifically to the communities who are underserved and oppressed.

Juma Ventures

Juma Ventures will provide employment and job training along with financial capability and connection to education and future employment to young people who face one or more barrier; history in foster care and juvenile justice system, mental health concerns, trauma, homelessness or housing insecurities Juma's YouthConnect program ensures youth earn a paycheck by working, learning foundational employment skills and financial literacy, and connect to education and a upwardly mobile career pathways.

Leaven Kids

Leaven Kids will support children and families at highest risk and most impacted by violence through early educational intervention and purposeful, place-based crime prevention strategies aimed at addressing the root causes of crime and violence by engaging families and community members as active participants in the development and implementation of services centered around an afterschool and summer intensive model with additional case management services.

Legacy Alliance Outreach

Legacy Alliance Outreach will partner with community-based organizations to deploy individual violence intervention and prevention programs to reduce member-involved homicides, shootings, and aggravated assaults during peak times for crime. They will connect lived experience with clinical expertise in a relatable culturally responsive manner that will attract individuals in need.

Loma Linda University Health

The Loma Linda University Hospital-based Violence Prevention Program identifies individuals at high risk or having sustained violent injury and connects with them in the safety of the hospital environment. Community health workers trained in violence intervention and prevention help clients identify and address social determinants of health through case management that continues upon discharge from the hospital.

Los Angeles Brotherhood Crusade

Brotherhood Crusade will expand programming across four school districts offering the Proud to be Me program that offers engaging, highly effective, trauma-responsive impact violence prevention, mentoring and workforce development model. Seven distinct phases characterize the model (1) Relationship, Trust and Rapport Building; (2) Cultural Rites of Passage and Mindset Change; (3) Self-actualization, Agency and Aspiration; (4) Skills Development; (5) Mainstreaming; (6) Practicum: and (7) Follow Up.

Minority Aids Project

Minority Aids Project (MAP) will provide street outreach, community mobilization, collective efficacy, and social cohesion to raise awareness about and prevent hate crimes against black indigenous people of color and LGBTQ youth and young adults. MAP will coordinate with local service providers, healthcare, law enforcement agencies, and housing providers when interacting with survivors of hate violence.

New Directions for Youth

New Directions for Youth Violence Intervention Initiative (NDY VII) is an evidence-based project utilizing intensive case management, Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT), employment and employment training, and mentoring to interrupt the cycle of violence for youth and young adults at highest risk of perpetrating violence and/or becoming victims of violence in the City of Los Angeles. NDY VII is implemented by culturally competent and seasoned professionals and credible messengers with extensive experience providing prevention and intervention services.

Options Recovery Services

Options Recovery Services will provide housing and rehabilitative services in East Oakland, providing participants, with lived experience, the opportunity to be trained as credible messengers and mentors to youth at risk of violence in efforts to give back to the community and provide Oakland with mentors who can effectively reach youth and young adults.

Partnership for Growth Los Angeles

Partnership for Growth's Project Jubilee is a violence interruption program that will provide trauma healing, psychotherapy, life skills training and preparation for youth and adults in South Los Angeles. The project will recruit youth on the verge of gang membership, formerly incarcerated individuals who need to rebuild their lives, and transitional age youth. Services will include job training, intensive socio-emotional support and interventions to address trauma, access services and navigate the stressors that impact their wellbeing.

Playa Vista Job Opportunities and Business Services

Playa Vista Job will offer The Hatch Program violence reduction initiative that utilizes street outreach, school outreach and job training in high demand industries to accomplish three major goals; interrupt occurrences of violence and retaliation; increase median wages for program participants; and develop a sustainable community collaborative to address ongoing socioeconomic issues. Through the support of gang interventionalists, trauma informed case specialists, case managers, and training partners, The Hatch Program identifies those with the highest risk of committing violent crimes, helps them heal past traumas, and connects them with training and employment opportunities in constructions, hospitality, pharmacy tech and cannabis cultivation.

Positive Results Center

The Positive Results Center will provide Healing Through Trauma which is designed around music, movement, journaling/writing, and nutrition to address the trauma, violence, and abuse that impacts youth and young adults. Through the project, trained prevention staff help victims/survivors of violence on a journey of healing, hope, self-worth, self-compassion, and

forgiveness as a means of breaking the cycle of violence. The project teaches participants about healthy relationships and the potential to experience a positive and rewarding future free of generational and pervasive cycles of violence.

Prevailing Family Center

The Prevailing Family Life Center's mission is to restore communities by providing supportive services, mentoring, and provide resources that promote resilience and healing for individuals and families to thrive. Through their Pride Honor Discipline Youth Empowerment (PHD) Program they will alleviate the multigenerational concerns that come with growing up in families that experience issues of violence, socio-economic problems faced by individuals living in high crime areas. The PHD Program is a 16-week program that will accept youth and meet with them twice a week. Youth will participate in educational growth, healthy living, and community involvement.

Reach Out

Reach Out, along with their partners, will expand their Youth Court supports with case management and peer-to-peer based restorative justice program. Restorative Justice is modeled after the judicial system where youth court provides an opportunity for participants to clear their record, while at the same time remain accountable to themselves, their victims, and the community. Additionally, Reach Out will implement and promote trauma and violence prevention strategies and programs that focus on addressing Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) and promoting youth wellbeing to successfully address risk factors for those at risk for violence or protect them from experiencing or perpetrating violence.

Rising Start Business Academy

Rising Starts Business Academy, in partnership with a local community-based organizations, will provide needed street outreach, intensive case management, and mentoring services to at promise youth and their families to address the increasing levels of violence in high-impacted communities in the City of Moreno Valley. Working in partnership with the City of Moreno Valley, the project will expand upon the City's Street Outreach and Community Violence Intervention Program.

Safe Passages (Advance Peace)

Advance Peace Stockton and Vallejo will serve youth and young adults who are at highest risk of perpetration or being victims of gun violence. Youth will enter the program through street outreach provided by Advance Peace Neighborhood Change Agents and referrals from community-based partners. The project will provide an array of research-based services to participants, including street outreach, case management, referrals to mental health services, intergenerational mentoring, transformative travel and paid internships.

Southern California Crossroads

Southern California Crossroads will expand their existing school-based student mentoring services for high-risk youth who are middle and high school students at schools that serve communities that have been plagued by gang and gun violence. Crossroads mentoring & Violence Prevention services are designed to address existing and potential issues of student

conflict that may result in violence and other negative behavior on and around school campuses while also providing mentoring and youth development services.

Stay Focused

Stay Focused will offer alternative community and a support system to empower participants to exit the gang culture and manage emotions that lead to violence. The project will support and grow individuals by using a focused deterrence structure utilizing Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) and intensive case management. Intervention Specialists will lead group sessions utilizing an evidence-based curriculum which features an interactive journaling system. Individual case management will be intensive in nature and aid participants in finding employment training and opportunities, and mental and physical health services.

The B.U.I.L.D. Program

The B.U.I.L.D. Stop Before it Starts Violence Intervention Initiative aims to decrease communal person-to-person violence throughout the greater Los Angeles area by focusing efforts on a 3-pillar process to immediately institute preventative measures, attacking the issue in the moment via intervention practices, and securing long-term stability by providing access to wellness and restoration services.

The Regents of UC Davis

The UC Davis Health (UCDH) Wraparound Hospital-based Violence Intervention Program extends care of violently injured youth and young adults beyond the hospital setting to support long-term healing and holistic recovery by providing patients with relationship-based mentoring, culturally affirming professional mental health care, and intensive individualized case management to address root causes of, and risk and protective factors for, violence.

The Regents of UC San Diego

The UC San Diego Prosocial Skills Program will offer cognitive behavioral therapy-informed soft skills curriculum, career development support services and expand their Clean Slate Free Tattoo Removal Program to adults at risk of experiencing or perpetrating violence in San Diego, El Cajon and Chula Vista.

We are One United Inc.

We are One United (WAOU) will provide a comprehensive, holistic approach to violence prevention and reduction in Palm Springs. With their 3-phase strategy will start with mitigation where they address the immediate conflict between two warring street gangs through a program that rains and deploys credible messengers to defuse crises and promote healing. They will address underlying socio-economic factors that contribute to environments that allow youth gang activity to flourish by providing youth with job training programs, mental health counseling, and after school programming. WAOU will provide a rigorous one-year leadership program that prepares youth with the skills, knowledge and experience to become change makers.

Whole System Learning

Whole System Learning will provide the T.R.I.B.E (Turning Resilience Into Brilliance for Eternity) Violence Intervention and Prevention Program to the most concentrated area of violence in Los

Angeles. T.R.I.B.E is a comprehensive and extensive approach to violence reduction that disrupts and interrupts violence at its source on an interpersonal level and cultural level through evidence-based intervention, intensive case management, mentoring, group counseling, individual counseling, social skill training, harm reduction and conflict resolution, job training, career development and peer mentoring program.

Young Visionaries Youth Leadership Academy

Young Visionaries Youth Leadership Academy's Violence Intervention and Reduction Program focuses on the Cities of Victorville and Hesperia and the need to improve public health and safety by providing effective violence reduction and prevention initiatives that engage a targeted population by providing evidence-based strategies to interrupt cycles of violence and retaliation, mentoring to advance pro-social behaviors, life skills, and resiliency, curricula to overcome negative behavior patterns, instill pro-social and productive habits, connectedness, coping skills, counseling and treatment for mental health.

Youth Alive

Youth Alive Oakland's anchor agency for community-based violence intervention and prevention, in partnership with USCF Benioff Children's Hospital of Oakland, will shrink the gap in services to victims of violence by expanding their evidence-based violence intervention program and streamlining support for clients in urgent need of financial help for safe housing or other emergency expenses. They will add to their team of violence interrupters, reentry case management and mentoring, crisis response for families of homicide victims, and trauma-informed counseling services.

Small Scope Community-Based Organizations (in alphabetical order)

Bourne Family Services

Bourne Family Services will provide the "Its Not Just A Sport (NJAS) program that engages foster care, group home, homeless and near homeless youth in the City of Pasadena. Youth will participate in positive youth deployment after school, summer sports league, and summer resiliency camps. The project will train area coaches in adopting effective intervention and prevention strategies used to discourage youth from the juvenile justice system and violence by effectively building protective strengths around the individuals. Coaches will adopt developmentally appropriate, evidence-based, culturally relevant, trauma-informed, practices while running drills with their athletes and program enrollees that help them become more resilient and adopt practices for overcoming trauma and adversity. They will adopt violence prevention 'skills and drills' that engage targeted youth in 175 hours of individual, interpersonal, accountability drills that will take place with targeted youth 20 minutes before any coach officially begins their practice with their team.

Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County

Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County will focus on middle and high school youth residing in the City of San Jose. They will conduct work intended to interrupt cycles of violence by utilizing pre-existing relationships with school representatives and establish new ones in order to identify

and engage at-risk and high-risk youth. A team of case managers will deliver services, including a 16-session curriculum-based skill-building class and four pro-social activities. The sessions will include positive activities such as visits to college campuses, local museums, the beach, professional sporting events and engaging in recreational activities.

Community Legal Aid (CAL) SoCal

CAL So Cal will integrate case management with free civil legal services to reduce the risk of homicide, shootings, and aggravated assaults. Participants will be provided with free civil legal services that are key to violence reduction including obtaining temporary and permanent restraining orders and other protective orders, divorce and custody, immigration remedies, housing and benefits assistance. The project will integrate intensive case management for clients faced with the myriad process needed to escape life-threatening danger. Case Managers will help clients understand and navigate a complex civil legal justice system and tap into additional resources to support their physical safety, emotional well-being, and economic stability.

EmpowHer Institute

EmpowHer Institute's programs and services are delivered through a social justice framework and are designed to be gender responsive, culturally inclusive, and trauma informed. EmpowHer Institute will expand their weekly social emotional learning and leadership courses that encompass monthly mentoring, workforce development, and career readiness to prevent violence and interrupt the cycles of violence in marginalized communities within Los Angeles. Services will also include intensive case management to the highest risk individuals involved in gang violence.

Fairfield Police Activities League (PAL)

Fairfield PAL and its partners seek to reduce violence with an Alive and Free job training and outreach program for young people at the highest risk of violence. Alive and Free identifies and addresses the systematic thinking, actions, feelings, and emotions that contribute to violent and/or destructive behavior through job training and evidence-based workshops held within the neighborhoods where trauma, systemic disinvestment, and interpersonal and financial stressors are driving violence. The program will provide interventions that will mitigate the spread of violence.

Gang Awareness and Prevention (GAP)

GAP will provide intensive case management, evidence-based life skills education using the ARISE curriculum, and mentoring provided by credible messengers to gang-involved, high-risk youth at 10 middle and high schools within the Sacramento City Unified School District. The project will improve school climate, reduce truancy and disciplinary actions taken against participating youth, support youth in reducing gang attachment and equipping youth with prosocial skills to move towards a health and safe life.

Inspire Together

Inspire Together will implement an evidence-based violence reduction strategy centered in trauma-informed, individualized case management combined with street outreach and engagement, life skills education, mentoring, and employment services to transition aged youth

who are homeless, victims of human trafficking, and/or gang or justice involved. In addition, they will provide services to youth who are high-risk of becoming victims of violence.

Kids In the Spotlight

Kids in the Spotlight (KITS) helps Los Angeles foster youth heal and grow from trauma through the power of storytelling and filmmaking. KITS Script-to-Screen program takes an innovated approach to violence reduction by combining trauma-informed approach with three evidence-based approaches (Workforce Training, Intensive Case Management, Mentorship) to reduce violence.

Million Little

Million Little's Strength-based Youth Violence Reduction Program is a comprehensive, multiyear program designed to improve public health and safety by supporting system impacted and at-risk youth in communities that are disproportionately impacted by youth violence. The Strengths-based programs for impacted youth, at-risk youth, and their families provide individual, family, and environmental interventions and preventions. Programs will address primary underlying risk factors, disconnection and concentrated economics that contribute to youth violence.

MLIFE Foundation

MLIFE will seek to break the cycles of gun violence and poverty in three neighborhoods within San Francisco through Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, mentoring, education, and leadership development. Their goal is to transform low income, at-risk youth from high crime neighborhoods into healthy and confident individuals equipped with the skills to succeed academically and become influential leaders amongst their peers and community.

Reaching Back To Our Youth

Reaching Back To Our Youth will use a three pillar evidence based model to reduce violence with their target population, community members and within their community/environment. Reaching Back To Our youth will provide mentoring services using credible messengers in an identified field of employment that appeals to their participants. They will also use the "Adopt a Block" concept in a effort to beatify neighborhoods by identifying community members that will "Adopt a Block" by placing trash cans and maintain biweekly trash pickup.

Rise Up Industries

Rise Up Industries will provide their 18-month Reentry Program to serve formerly incarcerated, previously gang-involved individuals. The Reentry Program provides members comprehensive, wraparound services from employment and job training to case management and mental health services.

The Gathering for Justice

The Gathering for Justice will support their 'We Keep Us Safe' initiative that provides violence prevention and reduction to at promise youth who reside in the cities of Stockton and Oxnard addressing root causes of violence to generate community-based solutions. The Gathering will train and mentor students and provide community advocacy, events, and community organizations.

United States Tennis Association – Southern California

The United States Tennis Associate Southern California will work with the City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks in four specific neighborhoods that are disproportionately impacted by violence. They will provide tennis and life skills opportunities and intervention that will allow young people to escape the perils of their communities.

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Cities (in alphabetical order)

City of Delano

The City of Delano will form a partnership with established community-based organizations to provide a multi-faceted public health approach to reduce violence in the most impacted neighborhoods, while strengthening community-police relationships. The project will provide evidence-based interventions that include street outreach, hospital-based violence intervention, community engagement, training for law enforcement and stakeholders, intensive case management, job readiness and training, and tattoo removal.

City of Merced

The City of Merced, in partnership with Merced County Probation, created Pathways to Success as an extension of existing reentry services. Pathways to Success will incorporate a multiagency collaborative approach to work with youth and their families needing specified levels of care, services, and support. In addition to their wrap-around reentry support services, Program to Success will offer a softer, more supportive, and personalized landing for youth reentering into the community by incorporating case management and cognitive behavior therapies.

City of Moreno Valley

The City of Moreno Valley, through their partnership with Rising Stars Business Academy, will provide critical street outreach and case management services to address the increased levels of violence in high-impacted communities. Services will be provided to at-risk youth and their families through Street Outreach and Community Violence Intervention, an evidence-based strategy that delivers specialized, targeted street-based mediation and prevention efforts to reduce gang violence, transform individuals, and rebuild communities. The city will offer culturally competent client-centered services inclusive of crisis intervention, youth development, informal case management, and community mobilization.

City of San Diego

The City of San Diego's Peacemaker Project will focus on engaging serious and chronic offenders and gang involved youth using de-escalation tactics and wraparound service model, while providing a comprehensive array of support services to help youth heal, reject gangs, and avoid criminal behavior – in particular gun violence.

City of Stockton

The City of Stockton's Operation Ceasefire will provide community-wide reduction strategies through credible messengers, focused deterrence, intensive case management, and wraparound services, all of which address the needs of those at highest risk of becoming a perpetrator or victim of gun violence. The city will expand the Ceasefire strategies to youth while also creating a youth prevention/intervention program focused on deterring young people from violence.

Community-Based Organizations (in alphabetical order)

Advocates for Peace & Urban Unity

Westside Intervention Network is comprised of several violence intervention programs led by Advocates for Peace & Urban Unity, along with other youth-serving organizations, to address gang-related violence in and around the City of Los Angeles. The program will use gang intervention to reduce the violence created by youth gangs, primarily through outreach, mitigating situations that lead to violence, and mediating when violence occurs.

Brothers Against Banging Youth (BABY)

Brothers Against Banging Youth will enhance their existing comprehensive, evidence-informed, and multidisciplinary gang prevention program to prevent and reduce incidences of violence. Specifically, they will target at-risk and gang and justice involved youth and adults living within identified neighborhoods of Los Angeles.

Building Opportunities for Self-Sufficiency (BOSS)

Building Opportunities for Self-Sufficiency will provide an innovated, highly collaborative, multi-strategy model to address both the effects and root causes of violence in Oakland. The model will emphasize peer leadership – Cultural Influencers/Credible Messengers – to model and promote messages of peace and guide violence impacted/involved individuals to lifestyle changes, combined with neighborhood-based support services, tangible resources, and economic opportunity through intensive workforce development, paid transitional work, and employer partnerships.

Community Build, Inc.

Community Build, Inc. (CBI) will serve youth, young adults, and their families within the City of Los Angeles through street outreach, violence prevention, healing events/rallies and intervention services. CBI will use linkages with law enforcement, municipal leaders and BIPOC community/faith-based stakeholders to address individual and community level trauma, healing, and education services leading to violence prevention and effective crisis response.

Improve Your Tomorrow

Improve Your Tomorrow's We Are Resilient is a three-year place-based violence prevention and reduction initiative that will train 100 Mentor Fellows who will reach young men of color mentees in the Sacramento and Stockton, through community organizing, events, and advocacy. Improve Your Tomorrow will also offer young men of color and their families case management, linkages, and referrals to serve to address pressing needs.

Just Us 4 Youth

Just Us 4 Youth's Pomona 4 Peace will use restorative practices, street outreach, and hospital-based violence intervention to reduce violence. It will increase employment and job training, initiate two-generation mentoring, and provide intensive case management to promote diversion. In addition, they will conduct neighborhood clean-ups to engage neighbors, and offer photography and theater classes/activities to broaden horizons for at-risk youth.

Life After Uncivil Ruthless Act

Led by people most impacted by violence – including formerly incarcerated people and the surviving family members of victims of community and law enforcement homicides - Life After Uncivil Ruthless Act's Eastside Connection program will utilize street outreach, crisis intervention and violence interruption, transformative justice, and public education, leadership development and power building to reduce homicides and other violence. They will also deepen community relationships, peer support and mutual aid, increase connection to resources and opportunities, repair harm and promote the long-term healing of individuals, families, and neighborhoods.

ReImagine Mack Road Foundation

ReImagine Mack Road Foundation's Movement 4 Life (M4L) will serve youth and young adults in the City of Sacramento who are extremely in-risk of perpetrating or being victims of gun violence. Participants will enter the program through street outreach provided by M4L Neighborhood Change Agents and referrals from Sacramento County Probation. The project will provide a range of research-based services including street outreach, case management, mental health counseling, intergenerational mentoring, learning excursions, and paid internships.

Sanctuary of Hope

Sanctuary of Hope's Foster Hope program will support young people who are housing insecure or at-risk, child welfare or justice-involved, and low-income with life coaching (case management), system navigation, basic needs, mental and behavior health, diversion, mentoring, and academic and employment assistance to bolster resilience, prevent violence, and foster safer communities.

Sierra Health Foundation: The Center for Health Program Management

Sierra Health Foundation's Healing the Hood program builds upon a three-tiered approach: Tier 1) Prevention focuses on youth who are at-risk of being involved in violence; Tier 2) Intervention serves youth and young adults already involved in violence; Tier 3) Crisis response and interruption offers two distinct services to reach people already engaged in gun violence and/or gang activity.

Soledad Enrichment Action

Soledad Enrichment Action will serve violently injured youth and young adults through their Caught in the Crossfire hospital-based-peer- violence intervention program. Their trauma-informed approach is coupled with the evidence-based approach of Positive Youth Development (PYD), which enables them to use their client's strengths to counter their challenges. PYD helps strengthen the youth's ability to respond to emotional and social challenges in health, effective ways.

The Dream Center

The Dream Center's PLANS for Peace will offer evidence-based interventions to recently incarcerated and homeless residence of Los Angeles with a history of violence through Cognitive Behavioral Therapy in a group setting and individual intensive case management.

The Regents of the University of California, San Francisco

The Regents of the University of California, San Francisco Wraparound Project (WAP) is a hospital-based violence intervention program that offers intensive case management to victims of violence to prevent violent reinjury and perpetration. The WAP relies on culturally affirming violence prevention professionals to deliver targeted services that address the root causes of violence associated with the social determinates of health including employment, education, legal, mental health, and relocation services.

Urban Peace Institute

Urban Peace Institute (UPI), and their identified community partners, will train and support twelve new community-based intervention workers who will work to reduce violent crime in various neighborhoods of Los Angeles. They will also convene a Rapid Response Team to identify and deploy violence intervention workers to crime hotspots within the City of Los Angeles.

Wendale Davis Foundation

Wendale Davis Foundation will provide focused intervention services for youth by providing early-stage intervention through case management and intensive mentorship services. Participants will be assigned a case manager/mentor to provide one-on-one services, service navigation, and ongoing daily support. Additionally, the Foundation's violence intervention efforts will be aided by its continued presence in the city's overall violence reduction efforts by continuing interruption, street outreach, and community engagement. Lastly, the Foundation will continue to maintain a strong volunteer base whose goal is to address and reduce violence within the City of Bakersfield.

Small Scope Community-Based Organizations (in alphabetical order)

Be Finally Free, Inc

Be Finally Free's Beyond Anger and Violence is an evidence-based intervention designed for individuals who struggle with managing their anger and the effects of past trauma. Based on a social-ecological model that combines theoretical knowledge and clinical expertise, this comprehensive and holistic program utilizes a variety of therapeutic strategies that guide participants to build a toolbox of practical, hands-on approaches and exercises that will help them develop effective, less damaging coping strategies.

Community United for Restorative Youth Justice (CURYJ)

CURYJ provides violence intervention and interruption to local community through culturally rooted healing, leadership development, and youth organizing practices. Their Leadership Development includes "Homies 4 Justice" paid internship for system-impacted youth and the Dream Beyond Bars paid fellowship for formerly incarcerated young people. Through each, CURYJ will provide job training, and community organizing skills leadership and professional development, healing-centered approaches to trauma, and culturally rooted education. In addition, CURYJ's Community Healing work uplifts art and culture, provides violence interruption and intervention, healing and restoration after harm, and relationship-based life coaching for the most vulnerable community members.

Flintridge Center

Flintridge Center's project will employ a trauma-informed approach to meet the needs of the target population through diversion and intensive case management, for both youth and adults and in addition they will offer employment/job training, financial assistance services for adults with a prior violent offense conviction as well as previously incarcerated and gang-impacted adults. Finally, through Vision 2020 Institute, they will offer a leadership development and training program for previously incarcerated and gang-impacted adults, which follows the principle of collective efficacy.

General Conference of Seventh Day Adventists

General Conference of Seventh Day Adventists Pathfinder Youth & Teen Leadership program will address violence prevention via public health, economic, and criminal justice risk factors with the mission of preventing violence before it occurs.

Hope Now for Youth, Inc.

Hope Now for Youth is a faith-based gangs-to-jobs program that will expand their existing evidence-based workforce development, job placement and mentoring strategies to system-impacted young men.

Immanuel Sobriety, Inc. dba Immanuel House

The Immanuel House Intensive Residential Recovery House Program will fill a service gap for individuals with violent crime convictions exiting the prison system and entering the community, with co-occurring neuropsychiatric diagnoses and a history of substance abuse. The integrated approach includes evidence-based treatment that focuses on the interdependent characteristics of mental health disorders and substance use disorders and treats both as primary conditions.

National Prevention Science Coalition to Improve Lives, Inc.

The National Prevention Science Coalition will lead a coalition of small grass roots nonprofits that work with youth and young adults by offering a paid job training program to engage youth who are at risk of violence and gang involvement. The trainings are led by credible messengers as mentors and leaders in that includes job training, life skills, and conflict resolution.

Rainbow Labs Mentoring, Inc.

Rainbow Labs Mentoring's We Belong program is an LGBTQ+, trauma-informed, evidence-based 40 hour per year violence prevention and mentoring model for LGBTQ+ youth of color that focuses on individual mentoring, group mentoring, team building and life skill development.

The Peace and Justice Law Center

The Peace and Justice Law Center will provide legal services to individuals transitioning out of gangs and help them accelerate and facilitate their desistance from gang involvement. Some of the legal issues they will assist with will include misdemeanor arraignments, arrest warrants, gang injunction removal, DMV holds, and legal aid.