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Council District:

To: The City Council

From: Matthew W. Szabo, City Administrative Officer



Reference: Transmittal from the Mayor dated May 12, 2026; Received by the City Administrative Officer on May 12, 2026; Additional information received through June 9, 2026

Subject: **ACCEPTANCE OF A \$1 MILLION AWARD FOR THE BYRNE STATE CRISIS INTERVENTION PROGRAM COHORT 2 GRANT PROGRAM FROM THE CALIFORNIA BOARD OF STATE AND COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS**

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the City Council:

1. Note and file the Mayor's Office of Public Safety report dated May 12, 2026;
2. Authorize the Mayor or designee to:
 - a. Accept the Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (SCIP) Cohort 2 grant award for Fiscal Year 2025-27 in the amount of \$1,000,000 from the California Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) for the performance period from August 1, 2025 through September 30, 2027 to strengthen the enforcement of domestic violence restraining orders (DVROs) and ensure firearm relinquishment compliance;
 - b. Execute the grant agreement and submit any other necessary grant agreements and documents relative to the grant award, subject to the review and approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality;
 - c. Negotiate and execute contracts with the three community-based organizations listed below to provide services in support of the DVRO Enforcement Task Force Initiative for a term within the grant performance period for a total combined amount not to exceed \$435,000, subject to the review and approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality, compliance with the City's contracting requirements, and the availability of funds:

Service Provider	Amount
Jenesse Center	\$ 145,000
Peace Over Violence	145,000
The People Concern	145,000
Total	\$ 435,000

- d. Negotiate and execute a contract with University of California, Los Angeles to support data collection and evaluation of the DVRO Enforcement Task Force Initiative for a term within the grant performance period in an amount not to exceed \$100,000, subject to review approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality and compliance with the City’s contracting requirements;
3. Adopt the governing body resolution (Attachment C to the Mayor’s report) which endorses the grant agreements and agrees to comply with the program and funding requirements of the grant;
 4. Approve the funding allocation of the Byrne SCIP Cohort 2 grant award for the period from August 1, 2025 through September 30, 2027 as follows:

Category	Amount
Salaries and Benefits	\$ 444,500
Service Provider Contracts	435,000
Evaluation/Data Collection	100,000
Training and Travel	20,500
Total	\$ 1,000,000

5. Request the Controller to:
 - a. Establish a new interest-bearing fund entitled “Fiscal Year 2025 (FY25) Byrne SCIP Grant Fund” No. XXX/46, for the receipt and disbursement of Byrne SCIP Cohort 2 grant funds, to be administered by the Mayor’s Office;
 - b. Establish new appropriation accounts within the FY25 Byrne SCIP Grant Fund No. XXX/46 as follows:

Account No.	Account Name	Amount
46C946	Grant Management and Administration	\$ 20,500
46C304	Contractual Services	535,000
46C965	Disability	1,000
46C146	Mayor	43,482
46C112	City Attorney	283,415
46C299	Related Costs	116,603
Total		\$ 1,000,000

- c. Increase appropriations in the amount of \$43,482 within the Mayor's Fund No. 100/46, Account No. 001020, Grant Reimbursed for the reimbursement of grant-funded salary costs;
 - d. Transfer up to \$20,567.40 from the FY25 Byrne SCIP Grant Fund No. XXX/46, Account No. 46C299 to the Mayor's Fund 100/46, Revenue Source Code 5346 for the reimbursement of grant-funded fringe benefits;
 - e. Transfer up to \$96,035.60 from the FY25 Byrne SCIP Grant Fund No. XXX/46, Account No. 46C299 to the City Attorney's Fund 100/46, Revenue Source Code 5346 for the reimbursement of grant-funded fringe benefits;
6. Authorize by resolution, subject to allocation by the Board of Civil Service Commissioners, one City Attorney Administrative Coordinator, Class Code 0567-0 through June 30, 2027 to be employed in the Office of the City Attorney to support coordination between City Attorney, law enforcement, and domestic violence service providers for the enforcement of DVROs; and,
 7. Authorize the Mayor, or designee, to prepare Controller instructions and/or make technical adjustments as necessary to implement the actions approved by the Mayor and the City Council, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer, and request the Controller to implement the instructions.

SUMMARY

The Mayor's Office of Public Safety (MOPS) requests authority to accept the Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (SCIP) Cohort 2 grant award in the amount of \$1,000,000 from the California Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) for a performance period from August 1, 2025 through September 30, 2027 to strengthen enforcement of domestic violence restraining orders (DVROs). The MOPS also requests authority to execute contracts with Jenesse Center, Peace Over Violence, and The People Concern to provide support in DVRO enforcement and firearm relinquishment as well as with the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) for data and evaluation services.

Background

The Byrne SCIP grant program provides federal funding to implement State gun crisis intervention programs or initiatives with the goal of developing a multipronged approach to decrease gun violence in California. On February 13, 2025, the BSCC issued a competitive Request for Proposals to fund programs to decrease gun violence. On April 7, 2025, the MOPS submitted an application to strengthen the enforcement of DVROs. On September 26, 2025, the BSCC notified MOPS of the \$1 million grant award. There is no match requirement for the grant.

Domestic Violence Restraining Order Enforcement

The DVRO Enforcement Task Force was launched in 2025 to enhance safety for survivors, their families, and communities in Los Angeles by increasing the safe, effective, and coordinated removal of firearms from individuals who are subject to DVROs and strengthening enforcement of current laws.

The MOPS will allocate \$435,000 to the three community-based organizations listed in the table below to provide DVRO enforcement support services. The Jenesse Center will develop and implement a new protocol for the tracking and reporting of firearm relinquishment as well as referral and case acceptance criteria for representation in DVRO cases involving gun violence. The Peace Over Violence will lead outreach, training, and education. The People Concern will provide direct legal assistance.

Table 1. Domestic Violence Restraining Order Enforcement Providers

Service Provider	Amount
Jenesse Center	\$ 145,000
Peace Over Violence	145,000
The People Concern	145,000
Total	\$ 435,000

An additional \$100,000 is allocated for a contract with the UCLA for data collection and evaluation services. The UCLA will develop the Local Enforcement Plan (LEP), track progress, and provide quarterly reports. The UCLA will also coordinate with partner agencies and ensure compliance with all Office of Justice Programs policies regarding human research subjects by submitting all research activities involving human subjects to the Institutional Review Board for review and approval. According to the City Attorney, because the grant funding was awarded to the City with the Jenesse Center, Peace Over Violence, and The People Concern as program partners and the UCLA as its data and evaluation services partner, sole-source authorization is not required.

A total of \$444,500 is allocated to offset salaries (\$327,897) and fringe benefits (\$116,603). This includes partial funding for three MOPS positions consisting of one Program Coordinator, one Grant Specialist, and one Accountant totaling \$64,049 (\$43,482 direct and \$20,567 indirect costs); two positions in the City Attorney’s Office consisting of a part-time Project Director and a full-time Administrative Coordinator totaling \$379,451 (\$283,415 direct and \$96,036 indirect costs); and American Sign Language interpretation services and Communication Access Real Time services from the Department on Disability totaling \$1,000.

The MOPS requests to add one City Attorney Administrative Coordinator (AC) position in the City Attorney’s Office to be fully funded by the Byrne SCIP grant. The AC serves as the full-time operational liaison between the City Attorney’s Office, law enforcement, Los Angeles Family Court, and domestic violence service providers. The AC will work with law enforcement to track firearm

relinquishments, enforce offender compliance, and support necessary legal actions against noncompliant offenders.

The Byrne SCIP Cohort 2 Grant will be allocated as detailed in the table below.

Table 2. Grant Budget

Category	Amount
Salaries and Benefits	\$ 444,500
Service Provider Contracts	435,000
Evaluation/Data Collection	100,000
Training and Travel	20,500
Total	\$ 1,000,000

Reserve Fund Loan

The MOPS requests a \$300,000 Reserve Fund Loan to facilitate cashflow and immediate disbursement to the Peace Over Violence. The BSCC administers the grant on a reimbursement basis only, requiring grant recipients to front-fund expenditures. The MOPS will submit requests for reimbursement on a quarterly basis totaling approximately \$90,000. This Office recommends using available balances from other Mayoral appropriation accounts in lieu of a Reserve Fund Loan as the City continues to restore and maintain the Reserve Fund.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed grant activities, including partial salary costs of three positions in the Mayor's Office, two positions in the City Attorney's Office, and American Sign Language interpreters and Communication Access Real Time services from the Department on Disability will be funded by the Fiscal Year 2025 Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program Cohort 2 Grant. There is no match requirement associated with the grant. There is no additional impact to the General Fund.

FINANCIAL POLICIES STATEMENT

The recommendations in this report are in compliance with the City's Financial Policies in that all grant funds will be utilized for grant-eligible activities.