



# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

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To: Criminal Justice Services Board

From: Tracey L. Jenkins, Director, Division of Programs and Services

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Re: Byrne State Crisis Intervention Formula Program

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Attached for your review and approval is the proposed program and budget plan for the FFY 2022-2023 Byrne State Crisis Intervention Formula Program.

The Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program is a newer federal program. Funds are distributed by formula to states "to implement state crisis intervention court proceedings and related programs or initiatives". The plan outlines how funds will be used. Unlike many of our formula programs, this program requires that the plan has approval of an advisory board before it is submitted to the Bureau of Justice Assistance. The Criminal Justice Services Board (CJSB) meets the criteria of the required advisory board.

The plan proposes that the majority of available funding, over 90% (\$4.6M), be subawarded to local jurisdictions for implementing and expanding specialty court programs including recovery (drug) courts, behavioral health dockets, and veterans' treatment dockets. This exceeds the local pass-through direct requirement. Using funds as proposed will provide a much-needed influx of support to programs which provide direct treatment, supervision, and support to those at risk of causing harm to others and themselves.

Once the plan is approved by the CJSB and the Bureau of Justice Assistance, we will issue a grant solicitation and present grant recommendations to the CJSB as usual.