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TO: LA’s Workforce Development System

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SUBJECT: WDS INFORMATION BULLETIN No. 19-14
GRANT OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE JUSTICE INVOLVED YOUTH
TRANSITION INTO THE COMMUNITY

EFFECTIVE DATE
This bulletin is effective upon date of issue.

PURPOSE
The purpose of this bulletin is to advise the YouthSource Centers and Summer Youth Employment Contractors of the grant opportunity available through a partnership between Los Angeles County Probation Department, California Community Foundation and Liberty Hill Foundation.

BACKGROUND
On February 5, 2019, the Los Angeles County Probation Department announced a public/private partnership with the California Community Foundation and Liberty Hill Foundation.

This collaboration will expand opportunities and resources for programs that keep youth out of the justice system and help those in the system transition back into the community. The partnership redirects public dollars to community-based organizations with the support of philanthropic partners. This partnership will allow for faster distribution of public funds, and an opportunity for organizations to access funding that may not have previously had the infrastructure to compete for county contacts.

The Youth Development grant will fund community-based programs that strengthen educational, health, cultural and workforce programs and enhance the well-being, empowerment and development of youth, families, and communities. These strategies not only reduce recidivism, but prepare young people for excellence in education, the workforce, and provide the foundation for lifetime of success.
Eligible Programs

Funds will be redistributed to Community-Based Organizations to provide service in the following Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC) categories that include but are not limited to:

- Category 1 – Educational Support / Academic Enrichment
- Category 2 – Youth & Family Support
- Category 3 – After-School Enrichment / Positive Youth Development
- Category 4 – Vocational / Employment Services

Deadlines

- Online Registration – April 12, 2019
- Application Submission – April 30, 2019

A key strategy for this partnership is to invest in the talent and leadership capacity of its community partners. The partnership will provide a participation required capacity-building program explicitly focused on developing organizational core competencies such as strategic planning, board and staff development, fundraising, and evaluation. The capacity-building program will include both customized coaching and cohort-based training, totaling approximately 75-100 hours of required staff time.

If you are interested in applying for the grant, the link is listed below which includes solicitation as well as Q & A and grant webinars.

https://www.calfund.org/nonprofits/open-grants/education-youth-development-initiative/

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