

Hello Everyone,

I want to follow up on the Prop 64 grant. To summarize:

Mendocino County submitted two proposals to BSCC for Prop 64 monies, one from HHSA/SO (\$1M) and one from Probation/RCS(just under \$1M).

I received a call from BSCC due to this. I asked if we could withdraw the proposals and submit one with all four parties and the answer was NO. Instead, I was given the following options:

1. Withdraw both proposals since a county could only submit one proposal or
2. Decide on which proposal could go forward for consideration

After talking with BSCC and understanding more of what they are looking for, I reviewed both proposals for the following points:

1. Which proposal gave a clearer and more comprehensive response to BSCC?
2. Which proposal better represented services to youth?
3. Did any of the services have a proven track record already?
4. Overall, which proposal was just a cut above the other?

Please know both proposals are well written and comprehensive. But, knowing you want the proposal that offers the best chance of funding to go forward, and that you work together well, I thought each of you would be supportive of either proposal going to BSCC, as long as Mendocino County was represented.

Therefore, I decided to go with Probation/RCS, since they are focused on youth and restorative justice for youth. BSCC gave me until noon today to make this decision so I just contacted BSCC and gave them that decision. It may be a moot point in that BSCC may want to be courteous but know they will not fund us due to the initial two proposals, or they may be sincere in their efforts to help us. Whatever the reason, we submitted one of two great proposals and can resubmit another proposal from the county at the next round. Thank you.