## Agenda Item Request

Community Corrections Partnership Executive Committee (CCP EC)

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TO: Community Corrections Partnership Executive Committee (CCP EC)

c/o Alameda County Probation Department

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Submitted are the following agenda item(s) to be considered by the Community Corrections Partnership Executive Committee (CCP EC) at the meeting on March 2, 2021

**Title/Subject Description: Gang Violence Intervention/Prevention Program**

**Background (brief):** The community has plead for assistance with the violence, especially in Oakland.As reported in the SF Chronicle, the surge of violence that ripped through Oakland in 2020 only continued escalating in the first weeks of 2021, with 15 people killed in January alone — a killing nearly every other day. The rise of homicides in Oakland was among the steepest in the Bay Area last year, which tracked with a disturbing, nationwide spike in killings after decades of mostly falling violence. At the end of January 2020, Oakland recorded just a single killing. And all but one of the suspected homicides so far this year was committed with a firearm, according to police. There have been 242 instances of gunfire so far this year compared to 100 the same time in 2020, police said.  
  
There is evidence that these programs work, Ceasefire, an anti-violence program, is credited with reducing the city’s gun crime by 50% over seven years by targeting people at the greatest risk of shooting or being shot and providing them with social support and resources. More work in this area is needed to reverse this dangerous trend.

**Fiscal Impact, if any:** $500,000 from FY 20/21 to fund a gang violence intervention/prevention program for one year that is focused on reducing violent crime in Alameda County

**Agenda item is:**  Discussion  Action

**Recommendation/Action to be Taken:**  Recommend allocating $500,000 from FY 20/21 to support a Gang Intervention/Prevention program that uses credible messengers working in the community to provide supportive services (education, career pathways, housing, etc.) to create opportunities for our clients, their families and extended community to decrease violence and gun crime in Alameda County.

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