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Introduction

Thank you for your interest in the Justice-Involved (JI) Capacity Building Program Initiative.

The funding opportunity you are submitting an application for is PATH JI Round 4. This funding will allow PATH JI Round 3 awardees to apply for additional funding to support the planning and implementation of the provision of targeted pre-release Medi-Cal services to individuals in state prisons, county jails, and youth correctional facilities who meet the eligibility criteria as outlined in the CalAIM Section 1115 Demonstration approval.

As with Round 3, this funding will support county behavioral health agencies to implement behavioral health linkages as required by AB 133. Applicants for Round 4 will need to submit a proposed budget and justification for additional funding requested.

For technical assistance with this application, please contact: justice-involved@ca-path.com

Applicant Information

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Organization Name*

Nevada County Sheriff's Office

Type of Agency*

County Sheriff's Offices to support county jails

Name of Application Authorized Representative:

(First and Last)

Molly Bacigalupo

*** Will you be submitting a joint application for PATH JI round 4? ***

No

Telephone Number of Application Authorized Representative

530-265-1774

*** County***

Select one from the drop down

Nevada

Mailing Address of Application Authorized Representative *

950 Maidu Ave, Nevada City, CA 95959

County Agency*

Sheriff

Title of Application Authorized Representative

Administrative Analyst II

Did your agency receive PATH JI Round 3 Funding? *

* If your agency did not receive Round 3 funding, your agency is not eligible for PATH JI Round 4.

Yes

Email of Application Authorized Representative *

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Sheriff Programmatic Request

Sheriff

Please select the permissible uses that your agency is seeking PATH JI Round 4 funding. Applicants are required to answer every question populated. In the narrative responses, please include as much detail as possible. Your application will be reviewed for reasonableness, accuracy, and sustainability. *

Technology and IT Services

Development of Protocols and Procedures

Additional Activities to Promote Collaboration

Other Activities to Support Provision of Medi-Cal Reentry Services

3. Technology and IT Services

Did you receive funding in Round 3 for this permissible use?*

Yes

If yes, how much?*

\$273,500.00 USD

If yes, why do you need more in Round 4? What type of programmatic gaps did your agency identify that more funding will fill? *

Nevada County is dedicated to enhancing the CalAIM Justice-Involved (JI) Initiative through the creation of an internal secure, closed-loop referral system that connects justice-involved individuals with essential post-release services. Grant funding will be used to develop an innovative internal application that streamlines the referral process to the contracted Enhanced Care Management (ECM) provider. The system will enable correctional staff to share individualized discharge plans, schedule pre-release care coordination, and manage referrals efficiently based on release timelines.

Key features include automated notifications to ECM providers regarding imminent releases, secure sharing of medical records for continuity of care, and integrated tracking for effective case management. The application will allow Correctional Counselors to prioritize referrals using updated release information while ensuring that every individual receives a tailored care plan. Additionally, two-way communication functionalities will support collaboration between correctional facilities and community care providers, reducing service gaps and fostering seamless transitions.

This project will improve operational efficiency and enhance successful outcomes by closing the communication loop between the Sheriff's Office and community-based care. It addresses significant challenges in transitioning justice-involved persons to supportive environments upon release and meets state objectives for comprehensive coordinated care and reducing recidivism. Nevada County's initiative with this project represents a strategic investment in public health, safety, and reintegration by providing an effective, technology-driven solution aligned with CalAIM JI goals. With clearly defined milestones and measurable outcomes, this project sets a new standard for continuity of care in justice-involved settings. The Nevada County Sheriff's Office (NCSO) is positioning itself as a leader in delivering whole person centered and integrated care, in a rural community, for a historically underserved population.

Currently, there is not a streamlined effective process to connect justice-involved individuals with an ECM Provider. This project will close critical service gaps by streamlining and integrating the referral process for justice-involved individuals transitioning to community care. For example, justice-involved individuals, may be released from custody unexpectedly, this referral application will have the ability to allow the ECM Provider to have real-time release notification, ensuring that continuity of care can happen at immediate time of release. Furthermore, the secure, closed-loop referral system enables correctional facilities to easily share personalized discharge plans, copies of medical records, and timely release information with ECM providers, ensuring that care coordination begins before release. With built-in scheduling and automated notifications, correctional counselors can prioritize referrals and secure timely appointments, reducing delays in accessing care.

NCSO has partnered with 211/Connecting Point of Nevada County as our contracted ECM Provider to support our justice-involved individuals as they transition back into our community. As a trusted and long-standing resource in our community, 211/ Connecting Point brings deep local knowledge and established relationships that will enhance coordination. Their involvement strengthens our ability to deliver whole-person care and increases the likelihood of successful outcomes and reduced recidivism for our justice-involved community.

By addressing these key gaps, the project not only improves whole-person health outcomes and enhances operational efficiency but also supports the individual in transition back into the

community. It ensures a stable transition from correctional facility to the ECM provider, thereby reducing recidivism and promoting long-term stability for each individual.

5. Development of Protocols and Procedures

Did you receive funding in Round 3 for this permissible use?*

Yes

If yes, how much?*

\$468,420.20 USD

If yes, why do you need more in Round 4? What type of programmatic gaps did your agency identify that more funding will fill? *

To support the successful implementation and long-term sustainability of the referral application, additional funding is needed for the development of detailed protocols and procedures that will govern system usage, data sharing and inter-agency coordination. These protocols and procedures are essential to ensure compliance with privacy regulations, streamline workflows across partner agencies, and provide policies and procedures for staff. Funding will support dedicated staff time for stakeholder engagement, policy drafting, application development, and operational implementation to be an effective system of use. Without clear and standardized procedures, the effectiveness and scalability of the system would be significantly limited.

In addition, as the Nevada County Sheriff's Office is now considered a HIPAA-covered entity, we have identified the need for additional staff time to ensure full compliance with federal privacy regulations. This requirement was not included in our initial grant planning or implementation plan but is essential for the lawful handling of protected health information (PHI) shared through the referral application. Staff will need to work closely with County Counsel, Information Systems Services, Behavioral Health and the ECM Provider to develop and implement HIPAA-compliant policies and procedures. This includes creating secure data-sharing protocols, internal access controls, and memorandums of understanding that protects all individuals' privacy and align with CalAIM JI objectives.

6. Additional Activities to Promote Collaboration

Did you receive funding in Round 3 for this permissible use?*

Yes

If yes, how much?*

\$149,056.25 USD

If yes, why do you need more in Round 4? What type of programmatic gaps did your agency identify that more funding will fill? *

We anticipate the need for additional funding to support ongoing collaboration efforts between the Sheriff's Office, Behavioral Health, County Counsel, and the ECM Provider. Effective implementation of this referral system requires sustained engagement across multiple agencies to align workflows, coordinate care, and address operational challenges as they arise. Funding will support structured collaboration activities such as cross-agency workgroups, facilitated planning meetings, and staff time for inter-agency coordination. These collaborative efforts are critical to ensuring the referral system functions seamlessly, remains responsive to the needs of justice-involved individuals, and upholds the broader goals of the CalAIM Justice-Involved Initiative.

9. Other Activities to Support Provision of Medi-Cal Reentry Services

Did you receive funding in Round 3 for this permissible use?*

Yes

If yes, how much?*

\$110,000.00 USD

If yes, why do you need more in Round 4? What type of programmatic gaps did your agency identify that more funding will fill? *

We are requesting additional funding to support essential activities that strengthen the provision of Medi-Cal re-entry services with a specific focus on HIPAA compliance, ECM coordination and Behavioral Health linkages. As a newly designated HIPAA-covered entity, the Sheriff's Office must develop and implement a robust privacy protocol, train staff on the secure handling of PHI, and establish compliant data-sharing workflows with external providers. Funding will also support enhanced coordination with our contracted ECM provider to ensure timely engagement, care planning, and real-time communication. These targeted activities are critical to delivering whole-person, trauma-informed care and ensuring continuity of services for justice-involved individuals as they transition back to the community.

10. Funds Expenditure Timeframe

What is your planned expenditure date for Round 4 funding?*

Sep 30, 2027

Please provide a narrative justification for this timeline.*

Given the complexity of this project and the coordination required across multiple agencies, two years of funding is essential to ensure a successful and sustainable implementation. The first year will focus on system development, workflow mapping, HIPAA-compliant protocol creation, and initial deployment of the referral platform. However, full integration of the application into daily operations - including consistent ECM coordination, behavioral health linkages, staff training, and compliance monitoring - requires sustained support beyond the build-out period. The second year will allow us to refine the system based on real-time user feedback, support cross-agency collaboration through structured workgroups, and fully embed the platform into our workflows. It will also give us adequate time to evaluate outcomes, adjust policies, and ensure that all stakeholders are aligned in delivering effected services to our justice-involved community. This phased approach is especially important for achieving continuity of care, maintaining HIPAA compliance, and reducing recidivism in our rural community.

11. Sustainability

Please provide a narrative of how your agency plans to sustain these programmatic changes beyond the approved grant expenditure timeframe. *

Once the build-out of the application is complete, there will be minimal cost associated with the use and maintenance of the application. The costs identified will be licensing for each user and an annual maintenance agreement with our County of Nevada IS team. All costs will be covered with the reimbursement funds that will be received from Medi-Cal or special revenue funds from the Sheriff's Office.

Funding Request

The purpose of this section is to collect information about: (1) the activities and personnel included in your funding request; (2) funding need and justification; and (3) the timeframe in which funding will be utilized and disbursed.

Please thoroughly complete your requested budget by following the steps below:

- Download the [PATH JI Round 4 Behavioral Health Agency Budget Template](#) or the [PATH JI Round 4 Correctional Agency Budget Template](#) and enter your detailed funding request.
- Complete the budget in its entirety and include your total funding request.
- Ensure your requested budget items are permissible, reasonable, and align with the narrative submitted in the programmatic section.
- If you are submitting jointly, please make sure all the budgets are labeled as "County_Name of Agency Type_Round 4 application"
 - For example: "Alameda_BHA_Round 4 application"
- You can upload more than one document, but a budget template is required.

Total Funding Requested*

\$1,700,000.00 USD

Please upload your completed JI Round 4 Funding Request Excel Workbook and any other supporting documentation related to your funding request.

Please note: Files must be JPEG, JPG, PNG, or PDF with maximum size of file for upload is 10MB.

See PATH JI Round 4 CA Budget Template_070825.xlsx

Is your agency interested in receiving additional funding should it become available?*

Yes

Attestation

As the authorized representative of the entities applying for funding, each entity attests and agrees to the following conditions:

- The entity agrees to submit an interim progress report to the TPA by January 15, 2026.
- The entity agrees to submit a final progress report to the TPA by June 30, 2026.
- The funding received through this program will not duplicate or supplant funds received through other programs or initiatives, or other federal, state, or local funding sources.
- The funding received through this program must not supplant funding provided for the state's Department of Corrections (DOC) for the purchase of technology for state prisons, county jails, and youth correction facilities.
- Funds from this initiative may only be spent on permissible uses of funds as documented in program guidance and this application.
- The entity will respond to general inquiries from DHCS and the TPA pertaining to this initiative within one business day of receipt, and provide requested information within five business days, unless an alternate timeline is approved or determined necessary by DHCS. Entities that fail to meaningfully engage with DHCS and the TPA in response to these inquiries may be:
- Subject to audit, and if necessary, recoupment of grant funding by DHCS to ensure adequate documentation, application, and reporting of permissible expenditures; and/or
- Precluded from receiving additional PATH funding.
- The entity is required to alert DHCS and the TPA if circumstances prevent them from carrying out activities described in this program application. In such cases, the entity may be required to return unused funds to DHCS contingent upon the circumstances.

Signature of Authorized Representative:*

Molly Bacigalupo

Date of Signature:*

Jul 10, 2025

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Signed by Molly Bacigalupo on Jul 11, 2025