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## **April 30th is Deadline for Community Services Infrastructure Grant Program**

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**SACRAMENTO** – California State Treasurer Fiona Ma reminds counties that the deadline to apply for grants to build facilities for jail and prison diversion programs is Tuesday, April 30. The \$65 million program of one-time competitive grants is intended to expand programs that provide an alternative to incarceration for people who suffer from mental illness, addiction, or trauma.

"I stand shoulder-to-shoulder with Governor Newsom in his efforts to reform the criminal justice system," said Treasurer Ma. "For decades, California's criminal justice system was overly focused on corrections instead of rehabilitation. This grant serves as one example that we have changed our thinking. We must continue to create the infrastructure in communities that will not only rehabilitate, but prevent individuals from ending up in jail or prison in the first place. I look forward to working with counties and other local partners across the state to ensure the success of this program."

Grant funds are to be provided to counties to develop and build mental health treatment facilities, substance use disorder treatment facilities, and trauma-centered service facilities. The trauma-centered facilities may include services for sex trafficking victims, domestic violence victims, and victims of other violent crimes.

The grant program will fund facility acquisition, renovation, equipment acquisition, information technology, and program start-up costs. The program is administered by the California Health Facilities Financing Authority (CHFFA). For more information, please visit the <a href="CHFFA website">CHFFA website</a>.

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