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Title

Equal Access Fund | California Access to Justice Commission Grants (Action Required)

Summary

The Budget Act of 2022 (Assem. Bill 178; Stats. 2022, ch. 45) appropriated \$85,392,000 to the Judicial Council for the Equal Access Fund, \$5 million of which must be allocated to the California Access to Justice Commission for grants to civil legal aid nonprofits. These grants are to be used to support the infrastructure and innovation needs of legal services in civil matters for indigent persons.

Recommendation

The Advisory Committee on Providing Access and Fairness recommends that the Judicial Council, effective September 20, 2022, approve distribution of \$5 million to the California Access to Justice Commission for grants to civil legal aid nonprofits, as required by the Budget Act of 2022.