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Public Safety and Community Policing Grants - The COPS Program

Program Information

The COPS Program (Community Oriented Policing Services) will provide competitive grants to states and localities to put 100,000 law enforcement officers on the streets.

Grants may be used to hire and train new officers, or to rehire officers that have been laid off due to budgetary reductions. In addition, some grants will be available to procure equipment, technology or support systems, or to pay overtime, so long as the applicant can demonstrate that expenditures for such purposes will result in an increase in the number of officers deployed in community-oriented policing. Funds will also be available for other related community policing activities.

Administering Federal Agency

Department of Justice

Type of Grant

This is a competitive grant program.

Eligible Grantees

States, units of local government, Indian tribal governments, other public and private entities, and multi-jurisdictional or regional consortia may apply for funding.

Funding Provisions

☐ \$1.3 billion has been appropriated for FY 1995. \$7.5 billion is authorized for FY 1996-2000.

☐ One half of the funds must be awarded to jurisdictions with a population of 150,000 or below; one half to those with a population above 150,000. In addition, each State must receive at least 0.5% of the total amount appropriated for each year, unless all qualified grant applications from the State have been funded.

☐ The length of the hiring and rehiring grants will be 3 years.

☐ At least 85% of the total program funds must be used for hiring and rehiring law enforcement officers. A certain percentage of this 85% may be used for non-hiring purposes, such as to pay for overtime and the procurement of equipment, technology or support systems, if the applicant can demonstrate that these non-hiring uses will result in an increase in the actual number of officers deployed in community policing beyond the number of officers had the funds been used for hiring purposes only. These funds for non-hiring purposes may not exceed 20% of the funds available for grants in FY 1995 and FY 1996, and, subject to a certification by the Attorney General, 10% of the funds available in FY 1997, FY 1998, FY 1999 and FY 2000.

☐ Federal funds cannot exceed 75% of the total costs of the program or activity funded. In addition, the federal share for hiring or rehiring officers may not exceed \$75,000 per officer over a three-year period. The Attor-

ney General has the authority to waive these requirements in whole or in part.

- ☐ Grants must be used only to increase the amount of funds available for community policing, and may not be used to supplant State or local funds.
- ☐ Expedited applications are available for applicants from communities of less than 50,000 and/or those jurisdictions who seek less than \$1 million.
- ☐ The Attorney General may give preferential consideration to applications that include a non-Federal matching contribution exceeding the 25% minimum.
- ☐ Through the Troops-to-Cops provision, funds may be used to hire former members of the Armed Forces to serve as career law enforcement officers for deployment in community policing, particularly in those communities that are adversely affected by a recent military base closing.

Guidelines /Regulations

Guidelines and applications for police hiring grants will be available in October.

Additional Program Information

Community policing grants are intended to substantially increase the number of law enforcement officers interacting directly with members of the community; to provide additional and more effective training to law enforcement officers to enhance their problem solving and other public service skills needed in interacting with members of the community; to encourage the development and implementation of innovative programs to permit members of the community to law enforcement agencies in the prevention of crime in the community; and to encourage the development of new technologies to assist law enforcement agencies in reorienting their emphasis from reacting to crime to preventing crime.

In addition, grants may be used: to increase law enforcement activities focused on interaction with the community; to enhance conflict resolution skills; to enhance police participation in early intervention teams; to reduce the time officers spend out of the community and in court; to enhance proactive crime control; to enhance

management and administration skills in community policing; to operate crime control programs; and to support the purchase of one service weapon per officer.

Phase I of the COPS Program will be funded with \$200 million of the \$1.3 billion appropriated for FY 1995. This \$200 million represents less than 3% of the total funds available under the COPS Program. The only jurisdictions eligible for funding under Phase I were those 2,505 jurisdictions that applied to the Police Hiring Supplement Program of 1994, but were not funded. From this pool of eligible applicants, Phase I grantees were chosen through a competitive reviewing process. Competition was extremely intense, and the number of strong applications again exceeded the amount of money available under Phase I. Award information will be sent to all Phase I grantees by mid-November.

Phase II of the COPS Program will begin immediately following the announcement of awards under Phase I. Awards for the remaining \$1.1 billion appropriated for FY 1995 will be determined under an entirely new application procedure. All law enforcement agencies are eligible for funding under Phase II, including those jurisdictions who received funding under either the Police Hiring Supplement Program or Phase I of the COPS Program. The Department of Justice is currently in the application design process, and we hope to have applications for Phase II available during the month of October.

The Crime Bill authorizes an additional \$7.5 billion for subsequent phases of the COPS Program for fiscal years 1996-2000.

For More Information

For further information on this or any other provision in the Violent Crime and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, contact:

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Community Oriented Policing Services Accelerated Hiring, Education and Deployment (COPS AHEAD) for Populations of 50,000 and Over

Program Information

COPS AHEAD is one of several approaches developed by the Department of Justice under the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 to speed the deployment of new officers devoted to community policing on the streets and rural routes of this nation. COPS AHEAD permits interested agencies to begin recruiting and hiring new officers now in anticipation of later COPS grant funding, without compromising the quality and thoroughness of officer training and the careful design of community policing programs. COPS AHEAD will benefit jurisdictions with populations of 50,000 and over, while COPS FAST will be used to expedite the applications of agencies serving smaller populations.

Funding Provisions

- ☐ Law enforcement agencies intending to participate in COPS AHEAD may select and train new officers now, prior to submission and approval of a formal grant application. Funding will begin once the new officers have been sworn and a satisfactory grant application has been submitted and approved. Grants will be made for up to 75 percent of the total salary and benefits of each officer over three years, up to a maximum of \$75,000 per officer, with the remainder to be paid by state or local funds.
- ☐ Grant funds may be used to enable each agency to hire new officers to increase its actual sworn force up to a maximum of 3 percent over actual October 1, 1994 force level.
- ☐ Up to \$225 million in grants will be made under COPS AHEAD to state, local and other public law enforcement agencies which serve populations of 50,000 and over. If requests exceed the funds available, the amount or starting date of grants may be adjusted to accommodate demand.

- ☐ COPS grant funds must not be used to replace funds that eligible agencies otherwise would have devoted to future officer hiring. In other words, any hiring under the COPS AHEAD program must be in addition to, and not in lieu of, officers that otherwise would have been hired.
- ☐ In hiring new officers, agencies may not reduce the scope of their customary screening and training procedures, and must include community policing principles and methods in their training curricula. In addition, to the extent practicable, COPS AHEAD grant funds should be used to increase the representation of women and racial and ethnic minorities within the ranks of sworn officers.
- ☐ All agencies serving a population of 50,000 and over will receive an invitation to participate in COPS AHEAD. In response, an interested agency must send a letter of intent to the COPS Office, to be received no later than November 10, 1994. The COPS Office expects to confirm the eligibility of applicants and proposed funding levels no later than November 21, 1994. Officers proposed to be funded under COPS AHEAD must be hired **no later than** the agency's first class starting in 1995.
- ☐ At the time that proposed funding levels are confirmed, a formal grant application will be sent requesting information concerning the agency's strategic community policing plan for the use of the officers that have been approved to be hired, budget plans and projections, and other information to enable the COPS Office to confirm compliance with grant conditions.
- ☐ An award under COPS AHEAD will not affect the consideration of an agency's application for a grant under any other COPS program. An agency that received funding under COPS Phase I is eligible to receive additional funding under COPS AHEAD if the combined hiring under both programs does not exceed 3 percent of the actual October 1, 1994 force level.



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Community Oriented Policing Services

Funding Accelerated for Smaller Towns (COPS FAST) for Populations under 50,000

Program Information

The COPS FAST Application is one of several approaches developed by the Department of Justice under the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 to speed the deployment of new officers devoted to community policing on the streets and rural routes in this nation. As directed by Congress, the FAST Application dramatically simplifies the task of applying for a federal grant. The FAST Application may be used by jurisdictions with populations under 50,000, while the COPS AHEAD approach will expedite the hiring by agencies serving larger populations.

Funding Provisions

☐ The FAST Application -- a fill-in-the-blank, one page form -- will be available by November 1, 1994. The application will request basic identifying information about the agency, the number of police officers currently on the force and the number of new officers requested, basic financial information, and an agreement to abide by standard legal requirements.

☐ Completed applications will be due to the COPS Office by December 31, 1994. The COPS Office will inform the agency of an authorized hiring level by February 1, 1995. Before funding may begin, jurisdictions designated for funding will be required to submit necessary budget information and a brief, satisfactory description of community policing plans. Technical assistance with the development of policing plans will be provided to jurisdictions in need of such assistance.

☐ Up to \$165 million in grants will be made under COPS FAST to state, local and other public law enforcement agencies which serve populations under 50,000. If requests exceed the funds available, the amount or starting date of grants may be adjusted to accommodate demand.

☐ Funding will begin once the FAST Application has been approved and the new officers have been sworn. Grants will be made for up to 75 percent of the total salary and benefits of each officer over three years, up to a maximum of \$75,000 per officer.

☐ COPS grant funds must not be used to replace funds that eligible agencies otherwise would have devoted to future officer hiring. In other words, any hiring under the COPS program must be in addition to, and not in lieu of, previous hiring plans.

☐ In hiring new officers, agencies may not reduce the scope of their customary screening and training procedures, and must include community policing principles in their training curricula. In addition, to the extent practicable, COPS grant funds should be used to increase the representation of women and racial and ethnic minorities within the ranks of sworn officers.

☐ An award under COPS FAST will not affect the consideration of an agency's application for a grant under any other COPS program. An agency that received funding under COPS Phase I is eligible to receive additional funding under COPS FAST.

BRADY ACT IMPLEMENTATION

Program Information

- The Brady Act Implementation Program authorizes additional funding to help states upgrade their criminal history record keeping systems to permit compliance with the Brady Act.
- By upgrading their criminal history record keeping systems, states will be able to prevent the sale of firearms to ineligible purchasers. They will also be able to conduct background checks on individuals who work with children.

Administering Agency

- Department of Justice (Bureau of Justice Statistics)

Type of Grants

- This is a discretionary grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- States may apply for funding.

Funding Provisions

- \$100 million has been appropriated for FY 1995. An additional \$50 million is authorized for FY 1996-1997.
- The Brady Act requires that preference be given to states with the lowest levels of automated complete records. State applications must demonstrate coordination of all criminal history improvements.

Guidelines/Regulations

- A program announcement will be ready for distribution in October.

BYRNE FORMULA GRANT PROGRAM

Program Information

- The Byrne Formula Grant Program provides funds to states to help state and local criminal justice agencies improve a wide range of law enforcement and crime prevention programs, including state and local drug task force efforts.
- Funds can be used for 21 previously authorized purposes, and four new purposes authorized by the Violent Crime Control Act. The new purposes include:
 - Law enforcement and prevention programs relating to gangs, or to youth who are involved or at risk of involvement in gangs;
 - Programs for developing or improving forensic lab capabilities to analyze DNA;
 - Programs for the prosecution of individuals charged with driving while intoxicated, and for the enforcement of other laws relating to alcohol use and operation of motor vehicles; and
 - Programs that address the need for effective bindover systems for the prosecution of juveniles who commit certain violent crimes.

Administering Agency

- Department of Justice (Bureau of Justice Assistance)

Type of Grants

- This is a formula grant program. All states will receive funding.

Eligible Grantees

- States may apply for funding.

Funding Provisions

- \$450 million has been appropriated for FY 1995 for the formula grant program. \$550 million is authorized for formula and discretionary grants for FY 1996-2000.

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- The formula for the distribution of funds to the states has not changed.
 - Each state will receive a minimum of \$500,000 or 0.25% of the appropriated funds, whichever is greater; and
 - Of the total remaining amount, each state will receive a percentage of the funds based on its population as compared to the population of the nation as a whole. (For example, if the population of a state is 5% of the population of the United States, that state will receive 5% of the remaining funds.)
- States are required to distribute the funds among units of local government through a formula that reflects the localities expenditures for criminal justice initiatives during the preceding fiscal year.
- To receive funding, states must submit applications within 60 days of the date of enactment of the Department of Justice Appropriations Act (August 21, 1994). Accordingly, applications are due by October 20, 1994.

Guidelines/Regulations

- The Department sent letters to each state in mid-September, notifying them of the new authorized funding areas and the deadline for submission of applications.
- Regulations for the Byrne Grant program can be found at 28 CFR Part 33. Guidelines are available from the Bureau of Justice Assistance. Amended regulations and guidelines will be issued in October.
- Byrne formula grant awards will be made as early as December.

CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES/BOOT CAMPS

Program Information

- The Correctional Facilities/Boot Camp Program will provide funds for state and local governments to construct, develop, expand, modify, operate or improve correctional facilities, including boot camps and other alternative correctional facilities that free traditional prison and jail space for confinement of violent offenders.

Administering Agency

- Department of Justice (Office of Justice Programs)

Type of Grants

- This is a formula and discretionary grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- States or multi-state compacts may apply for funding.

Funding Provisions

- \$24.5 million has been appropriated for FY 1995 for discretionary grants solely for boot camp planning, development and construction-related costs. \$7.9 billion is authorized for FY 1996-2000.
- In FY 1996-2000, fifty percent appropriated each year must be allocated for Truth in Sentencing Formula Grants for states which adopt truth-in-sentencing laws (e.g., assuring that violent offenders serve at least 85% of their sentences) or which meet other conditions.

Regulations/Guidelines

- The Department will publish regulations regarding the use of grant funds by December 1, 1994.
- It is anticipated that guidelines and grant application kits will be ready for distribution in December 1994.

- Applications should be submitted to the Correctional Facilities Program Office which will be established within the Office of Justice Programs.

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DRUG COURTS

Program Information

- The Drug Court Program will provide funds to state and local drug courts which provide specialized service, treatment, and continuing judicial supervision for non-violent offenders with rehabilitation potential.
- Programs funded under the Act are intended to provide continuing supervision of non-violent offenders and integrated administration of other sanctions and services, including:
 - Mandatory periodic testing for the use of controlled and other addictive substances during any period of supervised release or probation for each participant;
 - Diversion, probation, or other supervised release involving the escalation of sanctions including prosecution, confinement and/or incarceration for noncompliance with program requirements or failure to show satisfactory progress; and
 - Programmatic offender management and aftercare services.

Administering Agency

- Department of Justice (Office of Justice Programs)

Type of Grants

- This is a discretionary grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- States, state courts, units of local government, local courts, and Indian tribal governments may apply for funding.

Funding Provisions

- \$29 million has been appropriated for FY 1995. \$971 million is authorized for FY 1996-2000.
- Violent offenders, as defined by the statute, are prohibited from participating in the program.

Guidelines/Regulations

- Regulations will be published in early November. These regulations are required to ensure violent offenders, as defined by the Act, do not participate in drug court programs.
- Program guidelines and grant application kits will be available for distribution in December 1994.
- A Drug Courts Program Office will be established within the Office of Justice Programs. Applications should be submitted to that Office.

PRESIDENT'S PREVENTION COUNCIL

Program Information

- The President's Prevention Council will help coordinate the administration of crime prevention programs authorized by the Violent Crime Control Act. In addition, the Council will develop a comprehensive catalog of prevention programs, coordinate planning, and provide training and technical assistance to communities and community organizations.
- The Council is also authorized to make grants for programs which provide: (1) summer and afterschool care; (2) mentoring and tutoring; (3) job training and placement; and (4) prevention and treatment targeting substance abuse, child abuse, and adolescent pregnancy.
- The Council is chaired by Vice President Gore. Its members include the Attorney General, the Secretaries of Education, Health and Human Services, Housing and Urban Development, Labor, Agriculture, Treasury, and Interior, the Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy and any other official of the Executive Branch selected by the President.

Administering Agency

- Not applicable.

Type of Grants

- The Council may make discretionary grants.

Eligible Grantees

- Units of local government, Indian tribal governments, school boards, colleges and universities, private non-profit organizations or a consortia of such entities may apply for funding.

Funding Provisions

- \$1.5 million has been appropriated for FY 1995 to establish the Council. \$88.5 million is authorized for grant programs for FY 1996-2000.

Guidelines/Regulations

- Guidelines for grant programs will be developed during FY 1995.

STATE CRIMINAL ALIEN ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Program Information

- The State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP) will provide funds to reimburse states for the cost of incarcerating criminal aliens.

Administering Agency

- Department of Justice (Bureau of Justice Assistance)

Type of Grants

- This is a formula grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- Seven states (Arizona, California, Florida, Illinois, New Jersey, New York and Texas) may apply for the first one-third of the funds. All fifty states may apply for the remaining two-thirds of the money.

Funding Provisions

- \$130 million has been appropriated for FY 1995. \$1.67 billion is authorized for FY 1996-2000.
- The Department is required by law to distribute one-third of the \$130 million by December 18, 1994. It is anticipated that awards will be made in early November.
- The initial distribution of funds will be based on findings presented in an Urban Institute study entitled, "Fiscal Impacts of Undocumented Aliens: Selected Estimates for Seven States." This study was commissioned by the Bureau of Justice Assistance.
- States must submit applications providing information on the number of incarcerated criminal aliens, the average costs incurred per bed space per year, and alien specific identification information, among other information.

Regulations/Guidelines

- Regulations will be published in the Federal Register in early October.

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT GRANTS

Law Enforcement and Prosecution Grants

Program Information

- The Violence Against Women Act authorizes a number of grant programs for prosecution, education, outreach and prevention programs, to be administered primarily by the Department of Justice and the Department of Health and Human Services. Only one Department of Justice program, the Law Enforcement and Prosecution Grant Program, was authorized for FY 1995.
- The Law Enforcement and Prosecution Grant Program will provide funds to develop and strengthen law enforcement and prosecutorial strategies to combat violent crimes against women, and develop and strengthen victims services in cases involving violent crimes against women.

Administering Agency

- Department of Justice (Office of Justice Programs)

Type of Grants

- The Law Enforcement and Prosecution Grant Program is a formula grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- States, units of local government, non-profit non-governmental victim services programs, and Indian tribal governments may apply for funding.

Funding Provisions

- \$26 million has been appropriated for the Law Enforcement and Prosecution Grant Program for FY 1995. \$974 million is authorized for all Violence Against Women Act grant programs for FY 1996-2000.
- The distribution of the Law Enforcement and Prosecution Grant Program funds is based on the following formula:
 - 4% of the funds are for grants to Indian tribal governments;
 - \$500,000 will be available for applicants in each state; and

- Of the total remaining amount, each state will receive a percentage of the funds based on its population as compared to the population of the nation as a whole. (For example, if the population of a state is 5% of the population of the United States, that state will receive 5% of the remaining funds.)

Guidelines/Regulations

- Regulations to ensure that states effectively distribute the grant monies by taking into account need, geographic area and population are required.
- The Department of Justice will publish regulations in November 1994.
- Grant application kits will be available in December 1994.
- A Violence Against Women Program Office will be established within the Office of Justice Programs to administer this program. Applications should be submitted to that Office.

CRIME PREVENTION BLOCK GRANTS

Program Information

- The Local Crime Prevention Block Grant Program will provide funds to units of local government for crime prevention, intervention, and treatment initiatives. Authorized programs include boys and girls clubs in public housing, afterschool and recreation programs, youth anti-crime councils, and police partnerships. Programs designed to combat youth unemployment and violence, juvenile gangs and drug trafficking, child abuse and neglect, and crimes against the elderly are also authorized.

Administering Agency

- Department of Justice (Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention)

Type of Grants

- This is a formula block grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- Units of local government may apply for funding.

Funding Provisions

- \$377 million is authorized for FY 1996-2000. There are no funds available for FY 1995.
- Funds will be distributed to each jurisdiction in a state based on the jurisdiction's population and violent crime rate. Jurisdictions designated to receive less than \$5000 under this formula shall have their funding transferred to the Governor of the State, who shall reallocate it equitably.
- Units of local government must hold at least one public hearing on the use of grant funds, establish a trust fund for the funds, and spend the funds within one year of receipt.
- Units of local government may not use the grants to supplant state or local funds.

Regulations/Guidelines

- Regulations will be developed during FY 1995.

DELINQUENT AND AT-RISK YOUTH

Program Information

- The Assistance for Delinquent and At-Risk Youth Program will provide funds to public and private non-profit organizations to support the development and operation of projects that provide residential services to youth between the ages of 11 and 19 who have dropped out of school, had contact with the juvenile justice system, or are at risk of doing either or both.

Administering Agency

- Department of Justice (Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention)

Type of Grants

- This is a discretionary grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- Public and private non-profit agencies providing residential services to at-risk youth may apply for funding.

Funding Provisions

- \$36 million is authorized for FY 1996-2000. No funds are available for FY 1995.
- To qualify for funding, residential programs must be designed to improve the academic performance, vocational skills, self-esteem and responsible decision-making abilities of the youth they serve.
- Applicants must delineate how their programs will meet applicable state and local safety requirements for facilities and provide academic instruction in accordance with State, Indian tribal government, or local educational standards.
- Applicants must also delineate specific measurable outcomes for the youth to be served and an analysis of how the program will prevent delinquency.

Guidelines/Regulations

- Preliminary work on program guidelines will begin in FY 1995. Final guidelines will be developed when appropriation are secured.

DNA ANALYSIS

Program Information

- The DNA Analysis Program will help states and localities develop or improve DNA identification capabilities in forensic laboratories.

Administering Agency

- Department of Justice (Bureau of Justice Assistance)

Type of Grants

- This is a discretionary grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- States and units of local government may apply for grants.

Funding Provisions

- \$40 million is authorized for FY 1996-2000. No funds are available for FY 1995.
- To receive funding, the applicant must certify: (1) DNA analyses will meet or surpass quality assurance standards issued by the Director of the FBI; (2) DNA samples and analyses will be made available only to appropriate personnel; and (3) the laboratory and each analyst will undergo external proficiency testing at regular intervals.

Guidelines/Regulations

- Guidelines and regulations will be developed when appropriations are secured.

FEDERAL ASSISTANCE TO EASE BURDENS ON STATE COURT SYSTEMS

Program Information

- The Violent Crime Control Act authorizes the Attorney General to make grants to states and units of local government to pay the costs of providing increased resources to courts, prosecutors, and public defenders and other criminal justice participants, as necessary, to meet the increased demands for judicial activities resulting from the provisions of the Act.

Administering Agency

- Department of Justice (Bureau of Justice Assistance)

Type of Grants

- This is a discretionary grant program

Eligible Grantees

- Public or private agencies, institutions, organizations or individuals may apply for funding.

Funding Provisions

- \$150 million is authorized for FY 1996-2000. No funds are available for FY 1995.

Guideline/Regulations

- Guidelines and regulations will be developed when appropriations are secured.

MODEL INTENSIVE GRANT PROGRAM

Program Information

- The Model Intensive Grant Program authorizes the Attorney General to establish model crime prevention programs in no more than 15 chronic high-crime areas.
- The model programs must be comprehensive, collaborative, and community-based, addressing, among other factors, the lack of: (1) youth programs; (2) public facilities; (3) services such as transportation, street lighting, substance abuse treatment and employment; and (4) police or public safety services and facilities.

Administering Agency

- Department of Justice (Office of Justice Programs)

Type of Grants

- This is a discretionary grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- Units of local government may apply for funding.

Funding Provisions

- \$625.5 million is authorized for FY 1996-2000. There are no funds available for FY 1995.
- Proposals which are innovative in approach, compare different prevention models, and coordinate these grants with existing Federal programs will be given priority for funding.

Guidelines/Regulations

- Guidelines describing the purposes for grant awards are required. These guidelines will be developed during FY 1995.
- Regulations defining the "chief local elected official" are required to ensure administrative efficiency and accountability. They will be developed in FY 1995.

RESIDENTIAL SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT

Program Summary

- The Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Program will provide funds to states to develop and implement residential substance abuse treatment programs in state and local correctional and detention facilities.

Administering Agency

- Department of Justice (Office of Justice Programs)

Type of Grants

- This is a formula grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- States may apply for funding.

Funding Provisions

- \$270 million is authorized for FY 1996-2000. No funds are available in FY 1995.
- The distribution of funds is based on the following formula:
 - Each participating state will receive 0.4% of the funds;
 - Of the total remaining amount, each participating state will receive a percentage of the funds based on its prison population, as compared to the prison population of all participating states.
- To receive funding, states must agree to require drug testing of individuals enrolled in the treatment program and provide aftercare services when the individuals leave the correctional facility.

Guidelines/Regulations

- Guidelines will be published when appropriations are secured.

RURAL LAW ENFORCEMENT

Program Information

- The Violent Crime Control Act authorizes supplemental funds for the Attorney General, in consultation with State and local officials, to use to establish Rural Crime and Drug Enforcement Task Forces in rural states and judicial districts.

Type of Grants

- This is a formula grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- Rural states and rural jurisdictions within non-rural states may apply for funding.

Funding Provisions

- \$240 million is authorized for FY 1996-2000. No funds are available for FY 1995.
- 50% of the funds will be allocated equally among rural states, and 50% will go to other non-rural states for use in rural areas. The non-rural states will receive a minimum of \$250,000, with the remaining funds allocated in proportion to the state's population.
- A "rural state" is defined as a state with a population density of less than 52 persons per square mile, or a state in which the largest county has a population under 150,000.

Guidelines/Regulations

- Guidelines regarding the equitable distribution of seized and forfeited assets will be developed by the Attorney General and the Secretary of the Treasury.

TECHNICAL AUTOMATION

Program Information

- The Violent Crime Control Act establishes a grant program to support the improvement of criminal justice efficiency through computerized automation and technological improvements, and to expand and improve investigative and managerial training courses for law enforcement agencies.
- Funding is also provided for a pilot project in up to 10 communities to develop and implement an intelligent information system which integrates, organizes, and analyzes information in active support of violent serial crimes investigations.

Administering Agency

- Department of Justice (Bureau of Justice Assistance and the National Institute of Justice)

Type of Grants

- This is a discretionary grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- States, Indian tribal governments, local criminal justice agencies and nonprofit organizations may apply for funding.

Funding Provisions

- \$130 million is authorized for FY 1996-2000. No funds are available for FY 1995.
- \$20 million will for pilot projects in up to 10 communities; \$10 million will be used to improve training facilities at the FBI Academy at Quantico, Virginia; and \$100 million will be used for the remaining grant purposes.

Guidelines/Regulations

- Guidelines will be developed when appropriations are secured.

COMMUNITY SCHOOLS YOUTH SERVICES AND SUPERVISION PROGRAM

Program Information

- The Community Schools Youth Services and Supervision grant program will provide funds for extracurricular and academic programs after-school, on weekends, and in the summer for children in communities meeting criteria with respect to significant juvenile delinquency and poverty.
- The programs include tutoring, mentoring, workforce preparation, cultural activities, supervised sports, and access to health care.

Administering Agency

- Department of Health and Human Services. Note: HHS will administer the program in close collaboration with the Department of Justice and with the Department of Education's Family and Community Endeavor Schools (FACES) program.

Type of Grants

- This is a formula and discretionary grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- Private non-profit organizations operated by a consortium of service providers are eligible for discretionary grant funding.

Funding Provisions

- \$25.9 million is available in FY 1995. \$567 million is authorized for FY 1995-2000.
- Each state is allocated an amount proportionate to its share of children who are from families with incomes below the poverty line. Discretionary grants are authorized to community-based organizations.
- Non-profit organizations within each state will compete for funds allocated to that state.

Guidelines/Regulations

- A program regulation to be printed for a 30-day comment period in November 1994.

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Additional Information

- For additional information, please contact the Department of Health and Human Services at 202-401-9215.

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FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENDEAVORS SCHOOLS PROGRAM

Program Information

- This Family and Community Endeavor Schools program will provide competitive grants to improve the overall development of at-risk children who reside in eligible communities.

Administering Agency

- Department of Education. Note: DoEd will administer the program in close collaboration with the Department of Health and Human Services' Community Schools Youth Services and Supervision (CSYSS) program.

Type of Grants

- This is a discretionary grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- Grants may be made to local entities, defined as local educational agencies and community-based organizations.
- Eligible communities are defined to mean communities that meet criteria with respect to significant poverty and violent crime and such additional criteria as the Secretary of Education may by regulation require.

Funding Provisions

- \$11 million is available for FY 1995. \$243 million is authorized for FY 1995-2000.

Guidelines/Regulations

- A program regulation is expected to be printed for a 30-day comment period in November 1994.

Additional Information

- For additional information, please contact the Department of Education at 202-260-1856.

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GANG RESISTANCE EDUCATION AND TRAINING (GREAT) PROJECTS

Program Information

- G.R.E.A.T. is a structured, school-based program implemented in areas where gang activity is emerging or exists. G.R.E.A.T. provides classroom and other activities to help youngsters in the seventh grade learn to set goals, to have self esteem and self respect, to resist negative peer pressure, and to peacefully resolve conflict. The children learn about the harmful effect of drugs on the user as well as on his/her family and friends. Finally, they learn to avoid violence as a response to problems in their daily lives, and how to stay out of gangs.
- The curriculum is taught by trained, uniformed police officers and special agents at the seventh/eighth grade level for 9 weeks. An optional 4-week third/fourth grade curriculum is also available. Another integral part of the G.R.E.A.T. Program is the follow-up summer project. The summer component is filled with classroom curriculum and extracurricular activities which serve to reinforce the 9-week school program and provide students with social and self-esteem building opportunities.

Administering Agency

- Department of Treasury (Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms).

Type of Grants

- This is a discretionary grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- Federal, State, and local law enforcement agencies.

Funding Provisions

- \$9 million is available for FY 1995. \$45 million is authorized for FY 1995-2000.
- The Secretary of the Treasury shall establish not less than 50 Gang Resistance Education and Training projects, to be located in communities across the country. These projects will be selected based upon gang related activity in a particular community.

- No less than \$800,000 shall be made available per project. Such funds shall be allocated as follows:
 - 50 percent to the affected State and local law enforcement and prevention organizations participating in such projects; and
 - 50 percent to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms for salaries, expenses, and associated administrative costs for operating and overseeing such projects.

Guidelines/Regulations

- The established G.R.E.A.T. curriculum must be taught by the participating agency. Specific guidelines are incorporated into the cooperative agreement executed with each agency.

Additional Information

- For additional information, please contact the Department of Treasury at 202-622-2500.

LOCAL PARTNERSHIP ACT

Program Information

- The Local Partnership Act is a revenue sharing program to support education, substance abuse treatment, and job programs to prevent crime.

Administering Agency

- Department of Housing and Urban Development .

Type of Grants

- This is a revenue sharing-type formula grants program.

Eligible Grantees

- Funds will be disbursed to units of general local government according to the complex formula. New data necessary to apply the formula will be collected and analyzed by the Census Bureau in order to determine eligibility and allocation of funds.

Funding Provisions

- \$1.62 billion is authorized for FY 1996-2000. No funds are available in FY 1995.
- Disbursements of funds will be based on a complex formula set out in the statutory provisions.
- Allocation of funds under the program is essentially based on the revenue sharing model. (In fact, the authorization in the Violent Crime Control Act is for the Local Government Fiscal Assistance Fund administered by the secretary of Treasury before it was terminated.)
- Funds are divided among the states based on the higher of two formula.
 - The first formula which takes into account three factors: the population of the State multiplied by relative tax effort (net State and local taxes divided by total income of individuals), per capita income, and unemployment rate.
 - The second formula divides up funds into six parts with a different distribution formula for each part, based on population and other factors.

- Once funds are divided by States, they are further divided by locality according to a formula which takes into account population multiplied by relative tax effort and income. Allocations to general purpose units of government that are less than \$5,000 would be paid to the Governors for their distribution.

Additional Information

- For additional information, please contact the Department of Housing and Urban Development at 202-401-8932 or 202-619-0313.

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN EDUCATION AND PREVENTION GRANTS TO REDUCE SEXUAL ABUSE OF RUNAWAY, HOMELESS, AND STREET YOUTH

Program Information

- The Violent Crime Control Act amends Part A of the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act to authorize grants for street-based outreach and education including treatment, counseling, and provision of information and referral for runaway, homeless, and street youth who have been subjected to or are at risk of being subjected to sexual abuse.

Administering Agency

- Department of Health and Human Services.

Type of Grants

- This is a discretionary grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- Private nonprofit agencies are eligible grantees.

Funding Provisions

- \$30 million is authorized for FY 1996-2000.
- There is no specific allocation of funds for particular agencies or areas.

Contact Person

- For additional information, please contact the Department of Health and Human Services 202-401-4215.

NATIONAL COMMUNITY ECONOMY PARTNERSHIP

Program Information

- The National Community Economic Partnerships program will provide lines of credit to community development corporations serving distressed areas to operate revolving loan funds that generate business and employment opportunities for low-income, unemployed, or under-employed people.
- In addition, grants will be awarded to help emerging community development corporations strengthen their management and development capabilities.

Administering Agency

- Department of Health and Human Services.

Type of Grants

- This is a discretionary grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- Non-refundable lines of credit and grants are available to community development corporations.

Funding Provisions

- \$270 million is authorized for FY 1996-2000

Additional Information

- For additional information, please contact the Department of Health and Human Services at 202-401-9215.

URBAN RECREATION AND AT-RISK YOUTH

Program Information

- The Violent Crime Control Act amends the Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Act to authorize at-risk youth recreation grants in neighborhoods and communities with a high prevalence of crime.

Administering Agency

- Department of the Interior.

Type of Grants

- This is a discretionary grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- Local governments are eligible for funding.

Funding Provisions

- \$4.5 million is authorized for FY 1996-2000.

Additional Information

- For additional information, please contact the Department of the Interior at 202-343-3700.

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN BATTERED WOMEN'S SHELTERS

Program Information

- The Violent Crime Control Act authorizes grants to states and Indian tribes to provide immediate shelter and related assistance to victims of family violence and their dependents.

Administering Agency

- Department of Health and Human Services.

Type of Grants

- This is a mandatory formula grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- States and Indian tribes may apply for funding.

Funding Provisions

- \$325 million is authorized for FY 1996-2000 to carry out all provisions of the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act.

Additional Information

- For additional information, please contact the Department of Health and Human Services at 202-401-9215.

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VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO PREVENT CRIME IN PUBLIC PARKS

Program Information

- This program will award grants for the purpose of making capital improvements and other measures to increase safety in urban parks and recreation areas.

Administering Agency

- Department of the Interior.

Type of Grants

- This is a discretionary grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- States are eligible for financial assistance under this program.

Funding Provisions

- \$15 million is authorized for this program.
- There is no specific allocation of funds for particular states.

Contact Person

- For additional information, please contact the Department of the Interior at 202-343-3700.

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO PREVENT CRIME IN PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Program Information

- This competitive grant program will make capital grants to prevent crime and increase security in public transportation systems.

Administering Agency

- Department of Transportation.

Type of Grants

- This is a discretionary grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- States and local public bodies or agencies are eligible to receive grants and loans.

Funding Provisions

- \$10 million is authorized for this program.
- There is no specific allocation for particular states or localities.

Additional Information

- For additional information, please contact the Department of Transportation at 202-366-9714.

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN COMMUNITY PROGRAMS ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Program Information

- The Violent Crime Control Act amends the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act to authorize grants to establish projects in local communities involving many sectors of the community to coordinate intervention and prevention of domestic violence.

Administering Agency

- Department of Health and Human Services.

Type of Grants

- Discretionary Program.

Eligible Grantees

- Eligible grantees are non-profit organizations organized for the purpose of coordinating community projects for intervention and prevention of domestic violence involving broad community representation.

Funding Provisions

- \$10 million is authorized for FY 1996-1997.
- There is no specific allocation of funding for particular organizations or areas.

Guidelines/Regulations

- The Secretary is required to publish proposed regulations not later than 60 days after enactment, and final regulations not later than 120 days after enactment.

Additional Information

- For additional information, please contact the Department of Health and Human Services at 404-488-4277.

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN EDUCATION AND PREVENTION GRANTS TO REDUCE SEXUAL ASSAULTS AGAINST WOMEN

Program Information

- The Violent Crime Control Act amends Part A of Title 19 of the Public Health and Human Services Act to permit use of funding for rape prevention and education programs involving educational seminars, the operation of hotlines, training programs for professionals, preparation of informational materials, and other efforts to increase awareness about or help prevent sexual assault.

Administering Agency

- Department of Health and Human Services

Type of Grants

- This is a discretionary grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- Rape crisis centers or similar nongovernmental nonprofit entities may apply for funding.

Funding Provisions

- \$205 million is authorized for FY 1996-2000. No funds are available in 1995.
- The program authorizes the utilization of amounts transferred by states for use under Part A of Title 19 of the Public Health and Human Services Act for the specified purposes.
- There is no specific allocation of funds for particular states or areas.

Contact Person

- For additional information, please contact the Department of Health and human Services at 404-488-5270.

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VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN EDUCATION AND TRAINING FOR JUDGES AND COURT PERSONNEL IN STATE COURTS

Program Information

- The Violent Crime Control Act authorizes grants by the State Justice Institute for the purpose of developing, testing, presenting, and disseminating model programs to be used by states in training judges and court personnel concerning cases involving rape, sexual assault, domestic violence, and other crimes of violence motivated by the victim's gender.

Administering Agency

- State Justice Institute.

Type of Grants

- This is a discretionary grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- The statute specifies that the grants are to be used for the purpose of developing, testing, presenting, and disseminating model programs to be used by states.

Funding Provisions

- \$600,000 is authorized for 1996, not less than 40 percent of which is to be used for model programs regarding domestic violence and not less than 40 percent is to be used for model programs regarding rape and sexual assault.
- The program does not allocate specific amounts for particular states.

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE

Program Information

- The Violent Crime Control Act authorizes the award of a grant for the operation of a national toll-free telephone hotline to provide information and assistance to victims of domestic violence.

Administering Agency

- Department of Health and Human Services.

Type of Grants

- This is a discretionary grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- The grantee must be a private nonprofit entity.

Funding Provisions

- \$1 million is available in FY 1995. An additional \$2 million is authorized for FY 1996-2000.

Additional Information

- For additional information, please contact the Department of Health and Human Services at 202-401-9215.

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VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN YOUTH EDUCATION AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Program Information

- Under this initiative, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, in consultation with the Secretary of Education, will select, implement and evaluate four model program for the education of young people about domestic violence and violence among intimate partners.
- Each program will be focused on a different audience: primary schools, middle schools, secondary schools, and institutions of higher education.

Administering Agency

- Department of Health and Human Services.

Type of Grants

- This is a discretionary grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- To be determined.

Funding Provisions

- \$400,000 is authorized for FY 1996.

Additional Information

- For additional information, please contact the Department of Health and Human Services at 202-401-9215.

VIOLENT CRIME AND DRUG EMERGENCY AREAS

Program Information

- The Violent Crime Control Act grant the President Authority to declare a state or part of a state to be a violent crime or drug emergency area, and to direct federal resources and assistance to such areas.

Administering Agency

- All applications should be forwarded to the Attorney General.
- Designation of areas as violent crime or drug emergency areas, and decisions to direct federal resources and assistance to such areas, are at the discretion of the President.

Type of Grants

- This is a discretionary grant program.

Eligible Grantees

- Requests for designation of violent crime or drug emergency areas are to be made by the chief executive officer of a state or local government. One or more cities, counties, or states may submit a joint request.

Funding Provisions

- There is no separate authorization of funds or resources for purposes of this program.

Guidelines/Regulations

- The Attorney General will issue implementing regulations not later than 120 days after enactment.