

**CRIME BILL -- DOLLARS FOR ALABAMA, 1995 - 2000**  
**(Revised 8/22/94)**

**LAW ENFORCEMENT**

- \* **100,000 POLICE** -- Guaranteed minimum of \$44 million -- more than 500 police officers at \$75,000 per officer.
- \*\* Given Alabama's share of the population and the additional \$6.5 billion in discretionary dollars, Alabama should expect a total of about \$150 million over the next 6 years.
- \*\* Of the total, up to 85% can be used to hire about 1,700 police officers. At least 15% -- \$23 million -- can be used to help pay the training, overtime and administrative costs of implementing community policing in Alabama.
- \* **PRISONS & BOOT CAMPS** -- \$75 million for prison grants, including military-style boot camp prisons. An additional estimated \$75 million is possible if Alabama meets the "Truth in Sentencing" target of second-time violent offenders serving 85% of their sentences.
- \* **BYRNE ENFORCEMENT GRANTS** -- \$1 billion in the Trust Fund will help continue full funding for these grants, including Alabama's \$7 million annual share.
- \* **RURAL LAW ENFORCEMENT GRANTS** -- \$2.3 million for drug and crime enforcement in Alabama's rural areas.
- \* **DISCRETIONARY GRANTS** -- Alabama's law enforcement agencies and courts may apply for:
  - \*\* \$1,000,000,000 -- Drug Court programs (treatment backed up by drug testing and certain punishment for non-violent offenders currently on probation.) Estimated \$16 million for Alabama -- enough for about 8,100 offenders over six years.
  - \*\* \$320,000,000 -- Criminal record systems (Brady Law), communications equipment, and DNA testing; and
  - \*\* \$200,000,000 -- Judges, prosecutors and public defenders (estimated \$3 million for Alabama).

## **PREVENTION PROGRAMS**

- \* **LOCAL PARTNERSHIP ACT** -- \$26 million in direct grants to cities and towns in Alabama. Wide discretion permits local governments to use the dollars for education, drug treatment, and jobs programs.
- \* **VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT** -- \$13 million in grants for police, prosecutors and victims services; \$5 million in grants for shelters for battered women and their children; and Alabama can apply for a share of \$500 million in several discretionary programs.
- \* **AFTERSCHOOL AND IN-SCHOOL "SAFE HAVENS" FOR AT-RISK CHILDREN** -- \$19 million for non-profit, community-based organizations in Alabama.
- \* **DRUG TREATMENT IN PRISONS** -- \$5.8 million to treat up to an estimated 5,300 drug-addicted prisoners in Alabama prisons over the next 6 years.
- \* **LOCAL CRIME PREVENTION BLOCK GRANT** -- \$6.8 million in direct grants to cities and towns for various programs, including:
  - \*\* **ANTI-GANG GRANTS** -- to give young people positive alternatives to gangs, such as academic and athletic after-school activities, mentoring programs and scout troops.
  - \*\* **MIDNIGHT SPORTS LEAGUES** -- to give at-risk youth nightly alternatives to the streets, and for the U.S. Olympic Committee to develop supervised sports and recreation programs in high-crime areas.
  - \*\* **BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS** -- to establish clubs in low-income housing communities, and to encourage police officers to live in those communities.
  - \*\* **TRIAD** -- for partnerships between senior citizens groups, police chiefs and sheriffs to combat crimes against elderly Americans.
  - \*\* **POLICE PARTNERSHIPS FOR CHILDREN** -- for partnerships between law enforcement and social service agencies to fight crimes against children, and for the creation of youth councils to combat crime.
  - \*\* **VISITATION CENTERS** -- for supervised centers for divorced or separated parents to visit their children in "safe havens" when there is a history or risk of physical or sexual abuse.

- \*\* YOUTH DEVELOPMENT CENTERS -- to develop more effective education, training, research, prevention, diversion, treatment and rehabilitation programs for violent juveniles, including alternatives to school suspension and juvenile court diversion.**
- \*\* SAFE SENIORS CORRIDORS -- to provide older Americans with enhanced protection from crime by increasing police presence and crime prevention activities by community groups.**
- \*\* HOPE IN YOUTH -- to create Family Outreach Teams composed of youth, parents and school-parent organizers for mentoring, community organizing and peer counseling.**

**\* DISCRETIONARY GRANTS -- State agencies and non-profit organizations may apply for a share of:**

- \*\* MODEL INTENSIVE GRANTS -- \$626 million for intensive, comprehensive and flexible aid to areas, urban and rural, hardest hit by crime and violence.**
- \*\* NATIONAL COMMUNITY ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP -- \$270 million to extend lines of credit of up to \$2 million to community development corporations to provide small, low-interest loans to businesses in low-income neighborhoods.**
- \*\* GANG RESISTANCE EDUCATION AND TRAINING ("GREAT") -- \$45 million for school-based programs to teach children to resist peer pressure and understand the negative impact of gangs and drugs.**
- \*\* URBAN RECREATION AND AT-RISK YOUTH -- \$4.5 million to expand recreational facilities in high-crime areas.**

**Alabama Department of Corrections, Montgomery, Alabama  
Criminal Justice Incarcerated Project  
Ventress Drug Treatment Prison**

This CSAT-funded project has become known as the national model for converting an entire prison unit into a drug treatment prison. The facility is the largest prison in the U.S. entirely dedicated to drug treatment. Available data suggest that the intensive eight-week program has a retention rate of over 95 percent. Over a four-year period, only 25 percent of graduates on parole committed technical parole violations as compared to a 53 percent violation rate for other offenders recommended for but not receiving drug treatment. Approximately four percent of Ventress graduates on parole during this period incurred new criminal charges compared to a 21 percent rate by a comparable non-treatment parolee group and a 35 percent rate by hard-core criminal offenders recommended for but not receiving long-term treatment.

State Grantee Project Director: Tommy Herring, Commissioner, Alabama Department of Corrections, (205) 242-9390, FAX (205) 242-9399.

# **Bureau of Justice Assistance**

Alabama

**Location:** Montgomery, Alabama

**Project Title:** Mobile Diversionary Drug Treatment

**OJP Bureau:** Bureau of Justice Assistance

**Amount:** \$999,275

**Years in Operation:** (10/01/93 - 04/30/95)

**Program Status:** Discretionary Grant Program

**Program Description:** The Alabama Department of Corrections, in cooperation with the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit (Mobile), will divert as many as 600 youthful substance abusers (between the ages of 18-25), either pretrial or at sentencing. The program design includes a community track and an institutional track, with a flow of clients between the two, as needed. The focus is on keeping the youths in the community. Client specific planning and a day treatment center which will house a full range of needed services are core elements of the proposal. The program is modeled after the Miami Drug Court and involves, in addition to the two applicant agencies, a number of other public and private resources including the Coalition for a Drug Free Mobile and the Edna McConnell Clark Foundation.

**Contact Person:**

**Comments:** No sensitive issues.

**Location:** City of Birmingham, Jefferson County - Alabama

**Project Title:** Jefferson County Family Court Substance Abuse Project

**OJP Bureau:** Bureau of Justice Assistance

**Amount:** \$115,799 Federal

**Years in Operation:** 48-months

**Program Status:** Formula Grant Program

**Program Description:** The Family Court Substance Abuse Project (ASAP) is a coalition of the Family Court of Jefferson County, TASC, and UAB Substance Abuse Program. The project's mission is to provide drug abuse specific casework services to delinquents and children in need of supervision by providing early identification, enhanced assessment and classification service to every child under supervision of the court, intensive case management and unbroken care for the purpose of improving the quality of life of the court's clients and to impact in a positive manner, the delinquency rate. To date over 300 young people have been referred to effective treatment programs which greatly benefit our judicial system.

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**Comments:**

# **Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention**

Alabama

## **ALABAMA**

**LOCATION (CITY AND/OR STATE) - Birmingham, AL**

**PROJECT TITLE - Birmingham Public Schools Cities In Schools**

**GRANTEE AGENCY - Cities in Schools, Inc.**

**PROJECT DURATION - ESTABLISHED: 9/92**

**FUNDING AMOUNT (CURRENT AWARD AND CUMMULATIVE AMOUNT) -**

**STATUS (ONE PARAGRAPH DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT AND CURRENT STATUS)**

### **Cities in Schools**

Cities in Schools (CIS) is a national dropout prevention program with a network of state and local school-based organizations that it supports with national and regional training and technical assistance. Each of the CIS programs is independently incorporated Community-, city-or county-wide public/private partnership organizations. Led by their own boards of directors, they address the dropout problem within their communities (and related problems affecting youth and their families) by adapting the (CIS) process to the needs and resources of the community. The "process" consists of developing comprehensive services for at-risk youth in the school setting, whether it is in the regular public school or in a CIS alternative school. Public youth and family service organizations are asked to reposition staff to the schools to serve as a team to serve at-risk youth and their families. The team develops a plan for each youth and their family and services are provided by the team member or if needs are very specialized, e.g., drug dependency, the youth is referred to a treatment service. Specialized programming has also been developed such as a violence prevention curriculum, a drug prevention curriculum, an entrepreneurial curriculum and mentoring. The specific components for this jurisdiction are:

#### **HIGHLIGHTS:**

|                  |   |                   |    |
|------------------|---|-------------------|----|
| School Sites:    | 1 | Students Reached: | 83 |
| Elementary:      | 1 | CIS Enrolled:     | 83 |
| Middle/Jr. High: | 0 | Other:            | 0  |
| High:            | 0 |                   |    |
| Other:           | 0 |                   |    |

#### **PROGRAM COMPONENTS:**

- Parental Involvement
- Life Skills Development
- Violence Prevention and Conflict Resolution
- Extended Day Program

**COMMENT FIELD (SENSITIVE ISSUES OR ANYTHING ELSE OF NOTE) -**

**No sensitive issues**

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ALABAMA

LOCATION - Tuscaloosa, Alabama

PROJECT TITLE - Juvenile Work Restitution

GRANTEE AGENCY - Department of Economic and Community Affairs

PROJECT DURATION -

FUNDING AMOUNT - \$67,866

STATUS

- The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs

The objective of this highly successful program is to make juveniles accountable for their actions in the community by fulfilling court-ordered restitution and paying back their victims. The juvenile must work to pay off this restitution, and/or perform community service work to fulfill this objective. Benefits of this program including providing restitution for damages or injuries caused by a juvenile offender, reducing recidivism of juvenile offenders, and boosting community confidence in the juvenile justice system.

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