Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)
FY 22 Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN)
Funding Opportunity

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Agenda

What is PSN?

Overview of NFA

Required Application Elements and Key Dates

Questions?
What is Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN)?

Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) is a nationwide initiative where federal, state, and local law enforcement officials and community leaders collaborate with district stakeholders to:

- Implement strategies to combat violent crime and enhance neighborhood safety
- Utilize research methods to measure the effectiveness of these programs

This collaborative approach is focused on:

- Community Engagement
- Prevention & Intervention
- Focused & Strategic Enforcement
Available Funding Amounts by Program Category

Funding For Task Force Areas: $600,377

- **Law Enforcement**: 30% - 35%  
  - ($180,113) - ($210,132)
- **Intervention/Rehabilitation**: 25% - 30%  
  - ($150,094) - ($180,113)
- **Prevention/Outreach**: 25% - 30%  
  - ($150,094) - ($180,113)
- **Research Partner**: Up to 10%  
  - ($60,038)

PSN Microgrant Funding: $200,000 (four $50,000 grants) Outside The Three Task Force Areas
Focused Program Purpose Areas

Law Enforcement

Task Forces will be formed to reduce gang violence and the availability of weapons, especially ghost guns and illegal Glock auto-switches and silencers found in the district. This could include targeting the following issues:

- Violent Gangs
- Felons in Possession & Other Firearm Offenses
- Geographic Hot Spot Areas for Crime
- Known Shooters & Chronic Violent Offenders
- Develop Software to Aid Law Enforcement in the creation of technology to identify Ghost Guns & Glock Auto-Switches
Focused Program Purpose Areas

**Intervention/Rehabilitation**

- Refer to programs that provide services for at-risk communities to address drivers of gun & gang violence and recurrent offenders

- Programs that address community re-entry of violent offenders and alternatives to gang membership

Gang violence, gun violence and community re-entry
Focused Program Purpose Areas

**Prevention and Outreach**

Programs that address **prevention of juvenile delinquency & gang membership**

Provide **outreach programs to Federal Firearm Licensees** and the public to encourage responsible and safe gun ownership

Programs focused on **reducing violence during the summer**
Focused Program Purpose Areas

Research Partner

Compile, analyze, and share data that informs PSN strategies and measures their effectiveness
A key component in the FY 2022 PSN strategic plan is to continue funding violence-reduction programs within the identified Task Force Areas, therefore:

• Applications for programs that affect **1 or more of the 3 Task Force Areas** will be reviewed and considered for funding

• Additional points will be added to grant applicants if they include a description of how they will be building on current PSN-funded efforts in the identified task force areas
77th Area Map

77th Area
Southeast Area Map
Another key component in the FY 2022 PSN strategic plan is to fund four “micro-grants” that will support small scale / large impact crime-reduction efforts within the CDCA outside of the identified PSN Task Force Areas:

- Applicants for a microgrant must follow the application process and identify the proposed program’s focused program area(s) (e.g., Law Enforcement, Intervention/Rehabilitation, and Prevention/Outreach)
Application Process & Guidelines

**Application Deadline:**
April 24, 2023, at 5 p.m. PST

All applicants must submit the following components:

1. Program Narrative
2. Budget Detail Worksheet
3. Certified assurances

**Term of Funding:**
Oct 1, 2022 – Sept 30, 2025

**Program Narrative Components:**
- Cover sheet
- Statement of the problem (SAP)
- Program design & implementation
- Capabilities/Competencies
- Plan for collecting required data
- Budget
- Allowable costs
- Unallowable costs

**Narrative Format:** 10 pages max not including cover page, 1-inch margins, 12-point Times New Roman Font, Double spaced
## Program Narrative Cover Sheet – Required Elements

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<th><strong>Applicant Agency:</strong></th>
<th><strong>Project Director:</strong> Name, Title, Phone number, and Email address of the individual who will be in direct charge of the project</th>
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<td>Official agency name, physical address, and mailing address of the entity applying for funds</td>
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<th><strong>Requested Amount:</strong></th>
<th><strong>Proposed Start and End Date(s):</strong> For your project to begin and end</th>
<th><strong>Target Area:</strong> City of San Bernardino, LAPD Southeast Division, LAPD 77th Division</th>
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<td>Total funding amount</td>
<td><strong>Current Connections:</strong> to any current PSN-funded effort</td>
<td>Elevator Pitch: Please describe your proposal in 1 to 2 sentences</td>
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**Elevator Pitch:** Please describe your proposal in 1 to 2 sentences.
Program Narrative Statement of the Problem (SAP) – Required Elements

1. Identify the Targeted Enforcement Area (TEA)

2. Identify the existing need and problem within the FY 22 focus areas or outside a focus area if applying for a micro

3. Identify a **Summer Violence Reduction Strategy** that focuses on efforts in decreasing violent crime and protecting the people of your community by addressing the factors that typically increase violent crime during the summer months

4. Include relevant data, such as jurisdiction, arrest, and crime rates.
1. How will the proposal will be implemented *(how will your agency do the work)*?

2. How will the proposal advance the goals and outcome measures of the USAO CDCA’s PSN Program, *(including specific ways to support the Summer Violence Reduction efforts)*?

3. List collaborators and/or partners specific to the proposal
   - Describe the role of each collaborator or partner
   - Provide written agreements should be included where possible, such as a memorandum of understanding (MOU), contract, or a Letter of Agreement (LOA)

4. Provide a description of any connection(s) of your proposed programs to existing PSN-funded efforts *(how will this new effort will build off that existing effort)*
Capabilities/Competencies

- Provide a description of your agency’s capabilities to implement the program in the identified areas and within the established project timeline.

- Demonstrate expertise in collaborating with law enforcement, and/or criminal justice partnerships (including the USAO).

- Demonstrate experience in working with law enforcement, criminal justice agencies, and/or community-based partners on targeted enforcement, prevention activities, and/or community engagement.

- Demonstrate experience in addressing gun and gang violence, including associations with conflict over turf, narcotics distribution, aggression, and/or shootings.
Plan for Collecting Required Data

The plan for collecting required data should include:

1. The process for measuring your project performance

2. Indications of who will be responsible for submitting Quarterly Progress Reports and Performance Measurement Tool Reports
Other Important Considerations for Funding

1. Match not required: This sub-grantee solicitation does NOT require a match

2. Supplementing: Funds are intended to add or supplement, not replace resources already committed to the Reduction of Gun and Gang Violence efforts

Allowable Costs
- Personnel costs (salaries, fringe benefits, overtime)
- Training
- Equipment
- Supplies
- Travel
- Contractual services, when applicable
- Other costs: Telecommunication, Equipment Maintenance, Fuel and Vehicle Maintenance, Janitorial or Security Services, and more.

Unallowable Costs
- Expenses for non-PSN activities
- Stipends
- Bonuses or commissions
- First class travel
- Food and beverage
- Entertainment
- Lobbying or fundraising
- Tips/gratuities
- Costs incurred prior to the start of the grant period
Program Budget Items

Budget Requirements that need to be included in the Program Narrative:

- Provide a budget and budget narrative that are complete, cost effective, and allowable (i.e., reasonable, allocable, and necessary for program activities).
- Budget narratives should demonstrate how the applicant will maximize cost effectiveness of grant expenditures.
- An indirect cost rate of 10% of the total amount requested for personnel costs only (salary plus fringe) is allowable only for non-governmental organizations.

- All applicants should use the Excel version of OJP’s Budget Detail Worksheet available online at: https://www.ojp.gov/funding/apply/forms/ojp-budget-detail-worksheet
**Award Selection Procedure**

**Step 1:** SANDAG will determine the quality and validity of each application submission.

**Step 2:** Eligible applications will then be forwarded to USAO CDCA's PSN Selection Committee for review.

**Step 3:** The PSN Selection Committee will review, rate, and rank each responsive application.

**Step 4:** The PSN Selection Committee will submit their recommendations to SANDAG for ratification.

**Step 5:** The final selections will be forwarded to the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA).

**Step 6:** Once the allocation of funding has been made to all selected sub-grantees, each recipient will receive an award letter indicating their final award amount.

- The notification of award letter will be made within 30 days of the PSN Selection Committee’s meeting to select applicants for the CDCA's PSN program for FY 2022.
- All selected sub-grantees will be contracting with SANDAG.
### Award Selection Procedure

**Reporting Period**

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- After selected applicants (sub-grantees) have been funded, they are required to submit quarterly financial and programmatic reports.
Key Dates

3/13/2023
NFA Release

3/22/2023
Virtual Informational Session

4/24/2023
Grant applications due by 5:00 p.m. PST

5/2023
Review of grant applications by PSN Selection Committee

5/2023-6/2023
Notification of grant award and SANDAG following up on next steps
Questions?
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Link to USAO Central District of CA PSN:
(Under PSN Grants section)