

FY 2017 Violent Gang and Gun Crime Reduction Program: Project Safe Neighborhoods Funding Awards

Project Description: Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) was launched nationwide in May 2001. Under PSN, the Department requires United States Attorneys' offices to implement a local gun crime reduction effort that contains five elements: partnerships, strategic planning, training, outreach, and accountability.

Applicant Name	Award Amount
BJA FY 17 Violent Gang And Gun Crime Reduction Program (PSN): USAO district populations under 2 million	
Middle Georgia State University (GA)	\$200,000
New Hampshire Department of Justice (NH)	\$200,000
Executive Office of the Governor of Delaware (DE)	\$200,000
BJA FY 17 Violent Gang And Gun Crime Reduction Program (PSN): USAO district populations 2 million – 4,999,999	
City of Birmingham (AL)	\$298,517
The Rosamond Gifford Charitable Corporation (NY)	\$350,000
Puerto Rico Public Housing Administration (PR)	\$250,624
Rochester Institute of Technology (NY)	\$349,994
BJA FY 17 Violent Gang And Gun Crime Reduction Program (PSN): USAO district populations 5 million or more	
Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (MA)	\$500,000
County of Suffolk (NY)	\$500,000
Governor's Office of Crime Control & Prevention (MD)	\$478,013
Office of the Attorney General of Virginia	\$500,000
California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CA)	\$500,000
Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs (WA)	\$500,000
City of Chicago (IL)	\$499,443

Project Descriptions for FY 17 Grantees

USAO district populations under 2 million:

2017-H0945-DE-GP

Executive Office of the Governor of Delaware

In Wilmington, the PSN team plans to augment and expand existing efforts targeting criminal activity by conducting risk terrain analyses of crime and providing a focused effort aimed at drivers of gun crime

and gang violence in Wilmington Hot Spots.

2017-H0938-GA-GP

Middle Georgia State University

Bibb County, GA will use the expertise of their team to conduct ballistics analysis using the latest IBIS BrassTrRAX technology. They also plan to conduct in-depth scholarly reviews and data-driven analyses of the local gun and gang crime problem. The Bibb County team will also develop a comprehensive Assistant United States Attorney led-case and a Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF) led National Integrated Ballistic Information Network (NIBIN) hits review, and streamline directed patrol, field interrogations, and jail outreach for gun and gang crime deterrence.

2017-H0912-NH-GP

New Hampshire Department of Justice

In Manchester, NH they plan to stem the flow of illegal guns by identifying, investigating, and prosecuting illegal firearms purchases. They also plan to address the illegal dealing of firearms without a license, and the transfer of firearms to prohibited persons. Finally, they plan to target prolific crime offenders, gun crime "hot spots," and conduct outreach related to gun crime enforcement activities.

USAO district populations 2 million – 4,999,999:

2017-H0947-AL-GP

City of Birmingham

Birmingham will focus on a community-based, focus-deterrence strategy that includes prevention, intervention, and suppression modeled after Boston Ceasefire. This model also includes youth programming and outreach.

2017-H0950-PR-GP

Puerto Rico Public Housing Administration

The Puerto Rico task force will eradicate drug markets, reduce violence related to the drug markets, and foster police-community reconciliation and empowerment in the target area. They also plan to implement drug market interventions and community outreach strategies.

2017-H0930-NY-GP

Rochester Institute of Technology

In Niagara Falls, the team will implement a strategy that focuses on dispute-related violence. Their plan includes: 1) the early identification of ongoing disputes; 2) a formal assessment of risk of further violence associated with those disputes; 3) weekly reviews by police and partners; 4) formulation and implementation of individualized strategies to prevent violence connected to the disputes; and 5) an ongoing assessment.

2017-H0917-NY-GP

The Rosamond Gifford Charitable Corporation

In Syracuse, NY they will implement a version of the Boston Ceasefire model. They plan to focus on: 1) custom notifications; 2) identifying and addressing immediate basic needs; and 3) increasing ongoing services. The project will also provide services to 20 youth and families at any given time, and it is

estimated that 40 youth and families will be served throughout the course of a year.

USAO district populations 5 million or more:

2017-H0926-CA-GP

California Governor's Office of Emergency Services - Cal OES

The team from Bakersfield, CA plans to implement ShotSpotter technology; improve police responses to gunfire; increase state and federal prosecution of gun crime within the target area; and increase positive police-community interactions. They also intend to enhance service opportunities by quickly placing police on the scene of illegal shootings and by generating actionable intelligence on the frequency and exact location of gunfire.

2017-H0943-MA-GP

Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security

The team from Brockton, MA plans to implement "Operation Ceasefire" using the High Point Logic model that consists of: identification, notification, pulling levers, and resource delivery phases. This effort will enhance their existing Operation Safe Streets initiative.

2017-H0932-VA-GP

Office of the Attorney General of Virginia

In Richmond, they intend to implement Project Exile; conduct warrant sweeps; support a Boston Ceasefire-style deterrence and 'pulling levers' efforts; and run directed patrols in targeted areas. They also plan to conduct parolee and probationer home visits; support enhanced prosecution; and develop a public awareness campaign.

2017-H0907-WA-GP

Washington Association of Sheriff's and Police Chiefs

In Seattle, Tacoma, and Lakewood, they plan to implement "enhanced enforcement" with a particular emphasis on identifying active shooters. They also intend to bridge the information and enforcement gaps between federal and local law enforcement agencies, and identify unique areas of need in local communities. Finally, they plan to design and implement a custom-notification strategy to prevent violent crime, by focusing on high impact violent offenders.

2017-H0946-IL-GP

City of Chicago

The Chicago PSN team will implement the following promising strategies to achieve five violent crime reduction objectives: 1) improved murder and non-fatal shooting clearance rates; 2) increased number of illegal firearms recovered from the district; 3) reduced retaliatory violence; 4) improved community partnerships to reduce violent crime; and 5) improved use of technology and data to develop efficient and effective local violence reduction strategies.

2017-H0960-NY-GP

County of Suffolk

The County of Suffolk PSN team will utilize hot spot policing and top offender strategies to target enforcement efforts on the small number of offenders responsible for a disproportionate amount of

violent crime. They will also utilize a focused deterrence strategy to send a message that continued violence will not be tolerated. Finally, the PSN team will provide alternatives to gang and criminal activity through outreach programs for youth in affected communities.

2017-H0915-MD-GP

Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention

In Prince George's County, they will proactively identify the most violent offenders and develop strategies to get them off the streets as quickly and effectively as possible. They will also promote and enhance successful state and federal criminal prosecutions related to gun crime, gang violence, and violent repeat offenders by improving the quality of all such cases. Prince George's County law enforcement will address the problem of illegal firearms possession by not only pursuing charges for felons who possess the guns, but also those who supply or facilitate their access.