



FY 2024 Collaborative Community Violence Intervention Strategies (CCVI) Grants Program

Funding Announcement Q&A Tracker

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About this Document:

This guide will provide an overview of questions and answers regarding the [2024 Collaborative CVI Strategies Grants](#) and application process, which opened on Monday, September 9th, 2024. Responses will be provided as staff is able to process questions through close of business, Wednesday, October 30th, 2024.

Questions?

Please contact PCCD staff at ra-cd-vipgrants@pa.gov with CCVI FA in the subject line.

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1. Eligible Applicants

- a) *Are we able to apply (with different projects) for both funding streams, or can we submit only one application for either VIP or CCVI?*

Answer: As stated on page 7 of the funding announcement, under *4. Eligible Applicants*, eligible applicants for the CCVI solicitation who are also eligible under the [Building Opportunities for Out-of-School Time \(BOOST\) Grants funding announcement](#) and/or [Violence Intervention and Prevention \(VIP\) Grants funding announcement](#) may only submit one application to PCCD (e.g., you cannot submit an application under all three funding announcements). Please select the solicitation that best aligns with your proposed project.

- b) *Are we, the District Attorney's Office, considered one entity with the rest of the City, or can we apply separately as our own agency, if another City agency also submits an application (for a separate project)?*

Answer: District Attorney's may apply, but the County must act as the fiduciary agent and be the official applicant and direct recipient of funding if awarded since PA Statute requires all payments to any agency under the jurisdiction of a county be made payable to the county on behalf of the agency. Nothing precludes the District Attorney's Office or county/municipality from submitting separate and distinct applications under the CCVI solicitation. Given the competitive nature of this solicitation and the emphasis on supporting comprehensive strategies for an entire local jurisdiction/community, PCCD strongly encourages CCVI applicants to consider collaborative proposals/projects and, at a minimum, ensure that submitted applications are not duplicative.

- c) *Are we eligible to apply for Track 1 of the 2024 CCVI Strategies Grants?*

Answer: It is incumbent on the applicant to determine if they meet the eligibility criteria as outlined in the funding announcement. PCCD will not make that determination for you. Please keep in mind that there are currently 3 open funding opportunities (BOOST, VIP, and CCVI) and organizations are only permitted to **submit one application to PCCD**. Please read through each funding announcement carefully to determine which one is the best fit for your organization. We also encourage you to review the webinars for additional information.

- d) *I understand from the CCVI FA that the same applicant cannot apply for funding under both the CCVI and VIP funding streams. However, would 2 partner agencies be able to submit separate applications (one to CCVI and one to VIP) to support the same project? One is a DA's office and one is a police division.*

Answer: Given the competitive nature of this solicitation and the emphasis on supporting comprehensive strategies for an entire local jurisdiction/community, PCCD strongly encourages CCVI applicants to consider collaborative proposals/projects and, at a minimum, ensure that submitted applications are not duplicative. Please keep in mind that the VIP and CCVI funding announcements have different priority considerations and requirements. Please review each funding announcement carefully, review the webinar materials, and select which funding opportunity that fits your project proposal.

- e) *We plan to apply under CCVI – Track 2. 1) Could we have an organization designated as the fiscal sponsor for this grant? 2) As of right now, the XXXX organization has signed up for the PCCD grants system, is the authorized signer, and is completing the application for the lead partnership facilitating organization. Will we be allowed to continue in this role or will our program need to have a separate account?*

Answer: The applicant agency would be the agency responsible for disbursing payments to the subrecipient agencies, in addition to being the main agency with the capacity to facilitate a comprehensive implementation project. This agency should be a high-capacity agency able to act as the fiduciary agent for the other partner organizations involved in the project.

- f) *Would we be able to apply to VIP Track 1 and then be a fiscal sponsor to an organization that wants to apply for CCVI Track 1? If so, how should we proceed with the language around this submission?*

Answer: To apply directly under the CCVI solicitation, an organization must be one of the eligible applicants listed in the funding announcement. Additionally, the applicant agency would be the agency responsible for disbursing payments to the subrecipient agency. As noted above, this agency should be a high-capacity agency able to act as the fiduciary agent for the other partner organizations involved in the project. We encourage you to be explicit in the relationship between the two organizations and their roles/responsibilities with the project.

2. Awards & Funding

- a) *Do you know if there is an anticipated spring cycle of funding?*

Answer: Funding is contingent on the passing of the state budget. If the VIP program is funded again as part of the FY25-26 state budget, PCCD will be issuing another solicitation once that funding becomes available. Please note funding criteria can change from one year to the next.

3. Egrants Requirements

- a) *We're applying for the CCVI Grant- VRC Track. I just wanted to confirm whether or not we need to have all of our signatures upon submission of our application. I attended a webinar and I believe I heard that we can submit the application without signatures and that we would just need the signatures done before receipt of the reward (if chosen).*

Answer: You do not need to have signatures upon submission; if selected, the chief executive officer or a delegate from your organization would have to register for the e-signature role and electronically sign the grant application and other subsequent documents requiring signature within Egrants.