

PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION ON CRIME AND DELINQUENCY
SCHOOL SAFETY AND SECURITY COMMITTEE

Violence Intervention & Prevention (VIP) Competitive Grants
Project Summary and Analysis

Funding Announcement: FY 2024-25 Violence Intervention & Prevention Competitive Grants

Applications: 67 Applications

Project Start Date: March 1, 2025

Description and Recommendation:

On September 9, 2024, PCCD announced the availability of \$45 million in state funding over an up-to-36-month period to support FY 2024-25 Violence Intervention and Prevention (VIP) Competitive Grants and Collaborative Community Violence Intervention (CCVI) Strategies Grants.

The purpose of VIP funding is to provide grants and technical assistance to address community violence throughout the Commonwealth. For the purpose of this funding announcement, 'community violence' is defined as intentional interpersonal violence (e.g., gun violence, group-related violence, domestic violence/intimate partner violence) in areas of Pennsylvania with high rates of firearm-related violent crime and/or firearm-related injury.

Community-based organizations, institutions of higher education, municipalities, counties, and district attorneys were eligible to apply. Eligible applicants could submit one proposal under the following 'tracks':

Solicitation	Application Track Type	Maximum Grant Amount	Project Duration (Months)
VIP	Track 1: Expansion, Enhancement, or Continuation of Established Programs	Up to \$950,000	36
VIP	Track 2: VIP Start-up Grants	Up to \$100,000	18
CCVI	Track 1: CCVI Planning	Up to \$75,000	18
CCVI	Track 2: CCVI Implementation	Up to \$2,000,000	36

Under the VIP Grants solicitation, PCCD utilized a SurveyMonkey initial request process with a required proposal narrative and budget template for each track. The CCVI Strategies Grants solicitation utilized PCCD's Egrants System to accept applications under both tracks.

PCCD received 176 request forms and related application materials via SurveyMonkey as of the October 31, 2024 deadline. PCCD received 13 applications in Egrants for the CCVI Strategies Grant Program.

After conducting an eligibility review, 13 applicants under CCVI and 176 under VIP, totaling 189, were moved forward for the formal scoring and review process, which occurred during November and December 2024. The VIP Workgroup met on January 8, 2025 for consideration of recommended applications.

Staff and the VIP Workgroup are recommending approval of 1 CCVI application and 66 VIP applications, totaling 67 applications, not to exceed \$44,945,473 in state VIP funding, pending the resolution of any outstanding programmatic or fiscal concerns.¹

¹ A total of \$45,000,000 is available for FY2024-25 VIP Grants. PCCD is recommending to use the remaining \$54,527 'balance' to support an additional project through the Building Opportunities Through Out-of-School Time (BOOST) Grant Program. PCCD anticipates final budget totals will adjust slightly for BOOST and VIP projects following completion of staff fiscal reviews to determine final award amounts.

FY 2024-25 CCVI Grant – Planning

<p>Lancaster City</p> <p>Lancaster County</p> <p>Amount: \$75,000</p> <p>Grant ID# 45866</p>	<p>Lancaster City is requesting \$75,000 to support the planning of an effective, system-wide, cross-sector collaborative intervention strategy to reduce gun and group-related violence. Throughout the planning grant, Lancaster City will convene system and cross-sector community partners through a series planning sessions; review current data trends including conducting focus groups and stakeholder interviews; complete a system-wide needs assessment, gap analysis, and asset map; and research best practices, including the utilization of a Violence Reduction Council.</p> <p>Funds will be used for a consultant to lead the initiative; costs associated with in-person planning meetings; and stakeholder stipends for participation in focus groups and interviews.</p>
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VIP Grants – Start-up

<p>DayOneNotDayTwo</p> <p>Delaware County</p> <p>Amount: \$100,000</p>	<p>DayOneNotDayTwo is requesting \$100,000 to support the Transforming Justice project, a restorative justice program for youth facing charges in Delaware County. The program is a youth-led, community-centered diversion program for youth who have committed serious offenses. Referrals come from police, probation, and the district attorney’s office. Once referred, youth participate in a Restorative Community Conference. The Restorative Community Conference involves all parties involved, focusing on self-reflection, accountability, and healing, to co-create a plan for the youth. As part of the program, youth also receive emotional intelligence education to build conflict resolution skills, financial assistance for program participation including transportation and educational materials, and program supplies tied to the youth’s interests for future career goals.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support the salary of one Restorative Justice Practitioner; costs associated with restorative justice training sessions including local travel and a restorative justice expert; and partial costs for the financial assistance to participants. This grant is expected to improve youth’s conflict resolution skills and divert youth from the justice system.</p>
<p>The MasterMind Cooperative</p> <p>Philadelphia County</p> <p>Amount: \$100,000</p>	<p>The MasterMind Cooperative is requesting \$100,000 to implement Project Phoenix, an innovative approach to recovery from personal trauma, reducing violence, and increasing economic stability among young adults ages 18-25. This program provides therapeutic and economic interventions to help participants recover from past traumas and over exposure to violence, while also providing personal finance, entrepreneurial training and small business start-up coaching needed for at-risk young adults to achieve economic independence and to build brighter futures for themselves, their families and their communities. Through collaborative efforts with licensed therapists, trauma-informed wellness practitioners, entrepreneurial trainers, personal finance resources and coaches, community partners and community resources, a robust curriculum has been created, and a network has been established to help participants recover and heal from trauma, reduce violence,</p>

	<p>increase personal growth, and to build business and personal financial skills to participate and thrive in the growing economy.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support the partial salaries and benefits of staff that facilitate the program; staff travel and training and participant transportation; supplies and operating expenses including laptops and other technology and educational resources needed for workshops, rent, office supplies, and outreach costs; and consultants including licensed therapists, financial and accounting management, and other expert trainers.</p>
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VIP Grants – Expansion

<p>1Hood Media</p> <p>Allegheny County</p> <p>Amount: \$620,000</p>	<p>1Hood Media is requesting \$620,000 to expand and enhance their We Keep Us Safe (WKUS) media literacy and violence prevention program for young adults ages 16-26 impacted by community violence. WKUS promotes healthy and informed social media use, arts education engagement and sports activities, as well as safe, fun community service gatherings for youth through “Fridays on Deck” events.</p> <p>Funds will be used to enhance and expand the WKUS program, including doubling the number of participants in the current program, promoting program and video content more widely, and recruiting participants to join a WKUS cohort. Specifically, funding will provide for costs associated with current and new personnel, as well as training for staff and cohort members, equipment, stipends for cohort members, and consultant costs associated with production and videography. This grant is expected to increase youth participation in the program and potential impacts of violence in their respective Pittsburgh neighborhoods.</p>
<p>A Woman’s Place</p> <p>Bucks County</p> <p>Amount: \$635,955</p>	<p>A Woman’s Place is requesting \$635,955 expand its supportive services to survivors of domestic violence who have experienced severe trauma.</p> <p>Funds will be used to retain their Children’s Advocate and add a trauma therapist (to provide evidence-based therapy to victims) and crisis intervention specialist (to engage with and provide training to law enforcement). This grant is expected to increase the number of victims connected with trauma-informed services in Bucks County.</p>
<p>AMANDLA, Inc.</p> <p>Philadelphia County</p> <p>Amount: \$307,500</p>	<p>AMANDLA (Safe-Hub) is requesting \$307,500 to enhance its soccer-based youth and community development program, EduSoccer, to middle school and high school students in Kensington.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support staff costs, supplies and materials, transportation, and training costs to engage young people ages 13-18 through sport, mentorship, and community leadership. This grant is expected to reach 100 young people vulnerable to violence in the Kensington community of Philadelphia.</p>
<p>Anti-Violence Partnership of Philadelphia</p>	<p>Anti-Violence Partnership (AVP) of Philadelphia is requesting \$949,519 to enhance its Pathways to Resilience Initiative,</p>

<p>Philadelphia County</p> <p>Amount: \$949,519</p>	<p>expanding AVP’s capacity to collaborate with community partners and engage clients in trauma-informed and resilience-building practices through events, workshops, and interventions rooted in evidence-based Community Violence Intervention (CVI) strategies.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support personnel-related costs for new and existing staff, including Youth and Trauma Therapists, a Conflict Resolution and Mediation Specialist, and Trauma Specialist, as well as members of organizational leadership who will supervise project activities and related services (e.g., Community Engagement Manager, Victim Services Program Manager, etc.). This grant is expected to reduce wait times and improve access to mental health support, as well as increase capacity and reduce barriers to access for youth, families, and individuals affected by trauma through both direct services and community partnerships. As part of grant-funded activities, AVP will also work to improve data collection and program evaluation, as well as establish a new programmatic advisory board with community representation.</p>
<p>ArtWell Collaborative, Inc.</p> <p>Philadelphia County</p> <p>Amount: \$397,650</p>	<p>ArtWell is requesting \$397,650 to enhance their therapeutic and trauma-informed arts education to Philadelphia youth. Grants funds will be used to support three in-school programs (We the Poets, The Art of Growing Leaders, and EcoArts), as well as an additional program called MasterPeace.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support a portion of the salaries/benefits, artist stipends, travel costs, art supplies, and installation materials. This grant is expected to improve social-emotional skills, resolution skills, and academic and community engagement among participants.</p>
<p>Beyond the Bars</p> <p>Philadelphia County</p> <p>Amount: \$285,000</p>	<p>Beyond the Bars is requesting \$250,000 to expand their Ecosystem of Support programming across 56 music labs in Philadelphia, providing youth in shelters, trauma clinics, foster care, diversion programs, schools, community hubs, and immigrant and refugee locations with music and support services.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support trauma-informed programming that empowers youth through self-expression, music, and leadership development; funds will go toward costs for educational resources, musical equipment, staffing, and operational expenses necessary to facilitate sessions and workshops. This grant is expected to reach more than 1,200 young people each year through skills- and confidence-building, as well as foster a mentorship cycle that prepares participants to teach subsequent cohorts.</p>
<p>Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Pittsburgh</p> <p>Allegheny County</p> <p>Amount: \$900,000</p>	<p>Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Pittsburgh (BBBSPGH) is requesting \$900,000 to provide evidence-based youth mentoring programs at five schools in East Pittsburgh—Woodland Hills High School, Dickson Preparatory STEAM Academy, and Propel Schools Braddock Hills Elementary, Middle, and High Schools—that share an area critically affected by gun violence. The expansion includes the implementation of the mentor2.0 program at Woodland Hills High School, the Level Up group mentoring program at Dickson STEAM Preparatory Academy, and the near-peer mentoring ecosystem at Propel Braddock Hills. This will allow for an increase in the number</p>

	<p>of youths served, improving academic outcomes, fostering emotional resilience, and enhancing social skills among participants.</p> <p>Funds will support the salaries and benefits of staff; mileage, transportation costs for student trips, and professional development for staff; supplies and operating expenses including laptops, background checks/clearances, dues/subscriptions, insurance, marketing, food, rent, MatchForce costs, office supplies, postage, printed materials, and telephone/internet; consultant costs for audits, IT, payroll, accounting, and other needed services. This grant is expected to help new students build resilience, raise academic and personal aspirations, and gain connections and life skills necessary to become successful.</p>
<p>Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Laurel Region</p> <p>Westmoreland County</p> <p>Amount: \$249,981</p>	<p>Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Laurel Region is requesting \$249,989 to support the continuation, expansion, and enhancement of their community-based violence prevention program. The program pairs professional caseworkers to screen, train, and support volunteer mentors who meet with at-risk youth individually, as well as provide referrals to services and wraparound supports for youth and families.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support personnel, case management, and programming costs. This grant is expected to increase the quality of programming and services, including mental health supports, offered to youth and families, as well as increase the number of individuals reached and served.</p>
<p>Black Brain Campaign Association</p> <p>Philadelphia County</p> <p>Amount: \$300,000</p>	<p>The Black Brain Campaign is requesting \$300,000 to increase access to mental health support for youth affected by violence.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support hiring of additional clinicians to manage increased demand for crisis mobilization and therapy services, development of materials for restorative justice and healing circles, resources for therapy sessions, outreach strategies, and support a dedicated individual for data collection and evaluation to track program effectiveness. This grant is expected to increase the number of individuals served to approximately 750 annually, with a focus on engaging more youth from high-violence areas.</p>
<p>Boys & Girls Clubs of Philadelphia</p> <p>Philadelphia County</p> <p>Amount: \$949,603</p>	<p>The Boys & Girls Clubs of Philadelphia is requesting \$949,603 to continue and enhance its Expanded Opportunities for At-Risk Teens programming with the addition of targeted case management and college and career counseling services. The program engages teens living in some of Philadelphia’s most violent police districts through a variety of targeted programs focused on social-emotional health, violence prevention, and increasing postsecondary readiness.</p> <p>Funds will support the salaries of direct service staff, including Teen Directors, Athletic Directors, Youth and Family Service Counselors, and Literacy Supervisors. Participants will engage in prevention programming, college and career readiness programming, and recreational activities facilitated by trauma-informed staff. This grant is expected to serve 3,100 teens annually, with 50 receiving targeted case management services, and all high school juniors and seniors receiving individualized college and career counseling services.</p>

<p>Boys & Girls Clubs of Western Pennsylvania</p> <p>Allegheny County</p> <p>Amount: \$950,000</p>	<p>Boys & Girls Clubs of Western Pennsylvania is requesting \$950,000 to provide no-cost, virtual and in-person mental healthcare, and counseling services.</p> <p>Funds will be used to provide these services alongside implementation of their evidence-informed mentoring and career development program at five locations in Allegheny County. This grant is expected to serve over 100 teens annually from communities that are most at risk of gun violence, addressing barriers to mental health services and high quality after-school programming for teens.</p>
<p>Breaking The Chainz, Inc.</p> <p>Dauphin County</p> <p>Amount: \$187,017</p>	<p>Breaking The Chainz, Inc. is requesting \$187,017 to provide a social/emotional/cognitive development leadership program to educate at-risk youth and provide life skills.</p> <p>Funds will be used for hiring staff, providing trainings, purchasing learning materials and meals, and transportation for participants. This grant is expected to create a safe space for youth and their families, improve academic outcomes, and reduce community gun violence.</p>
<p>Butler County District Attorney's Office</p> <p>Butler County</p> <p>Amount: \$892,694</p>	<p>The Butler County District Attorney's Office is requesting \$892,694 to continue and enhance the current Butler County Gun Investigation Program.</p> <p>Funds will be used to hire staff and upgrade equipment utilized by the Butler County Emergency Services Unit (ESU) team. The ESU team responds to high-intensity critical incidents, such as active shooters, barricaded persons, dignitary protection and the execution of high-risk search/arrest warrants, all of which commonly involve firearms. The ESU team will expand their Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training (ALERRT) and Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, and Evacuate (ALICE) trainings to local law enforcement, schools, businesses, and community-based organizations. This grant is expected to reduce community violence by training the community to respond to active threat scenarios.</p>
<p>Café Momentum Pittsburgh</p> <p>Allegheny County</p> <p>Amount: \$914,300</p>	<p>Café Momentum Pittsburgh is requesting \$914,300 to provide justice-impacted youth with paid, comprehensive workforce development internships. Founded in 2020, Café Momentum offers a unique programming model where youth complete a comprehensive, paid restaurant internship, earning an industry-recognized credential and high school diploma, and gain skills and confidence to improve their long-term success.</p> <p>Funds will support staffing of a mental health professional, intern support, and restaurant training coordinator, as well as trauma-informed and restorative justice trainings. This grant is expected to serve 75 justice-impacted youth per year with goals of increasing academic engagement, improve employability, improve interpersonal skills, and exit the justice system.</p>
<p>Caring People Alliance</p> <p>Philadelphia County</p>	<p>Caring People Alliance is requesting \$706,500 to expand and enhance the Teens on Target program, which currently serves an average of 30 at-risk youth per month in West Philadelphia.</p>

<p>Amount: \$706,500</p>	<p>Funds will support personnel-related costs, including salary and benefits as well as professional development and staff training. This grant is expected to help transition program staff to full-time positions, open the waitlist to serve 45 youth monthly, extend program hours, and address safety needs.</p>
<p>Carnegie Library of Homestead</p> <p>Allegheny County</p> <p>Amount: \$582,666</p>	<p>The Carnegie Library of Homestead is requesting \$582,666 to expand and enhance their Youth Development and Restorative Justice Program.</p> <p>Funds will be used to engage at-risk youth by providing restorative justice circles, educational workshops, and recreational activities to reduce violence and promote positive youth development. Funds will support staffing, consultants, and expenses related to STEM, art, educational, and athletic programming and field trips. This grant is expected to reduce youth violence, improve school engagement, and foster community relationships for at-risk youth.</p>
<p>Center for Employment Opportunities (CEO)</p> <p>Dauphin, Allegheny, and Philadelphia Counties</p> <p>Amount: \$950,000</p>	<p>Center for Employment Opportunities is requesting \$950,000 to support Group Violence Intervention (GVI) programming in Harrisburg, continue coaching services in Philadelphia, and incorporate supportive services at their Harrisburg, Pittsburgh, and Philadelphia sites.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support personnel costs, as well as a social services fund that will support participants with rent, furniture, emergency housing, utilities, cell phones/WiFi, childcare, transportation, clothing, and other needs. This grant is expected to connect justice-impacted individuals with gun-related offenses to transitional paid employment, peer support, and community resources, with an overall goal of reducing recidivism.</p>
<p>Center for Families and Relationships</p> <p>Philadelphia County</p> <p>Amount: \$950,000</p>	<p>Center for Families and Relationships is requesting \$950,000 to continue its existing Together Through Trauma (TTT) initiative. Launched in 2021, TTT provides therapy, community workshops, and staff trainings to communities impacted by trauma resulting from gun violence through a partnership with the Philadelphia Parks & Recreation department to embed programming in recreation centers located in high violence zip codes.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support project personnel, including the TTT Program Director; two full-time Trauma Therapists; one full-time Program Coordinator; two part-time Workshop Consultants/Trauma Therapists; Outreach Consultant; and a portion of costs for CFAR's staff to oversee program outreach and communications efforts and manage grant-related requirements. Funds will also support training and travel-related costs, as well as supplies and operating expenses (e.g., technology equipment, workshop supplies, food for clients, etc.). This grant is expected to further engage children, teens, adults, families and staff through the TTT program, with the goal of decreasing the incidence of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) symptoms to those directly or indirectly impacted by gun violence and working to break the cycle of intergenerational trauma.</p>

<p>Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP)</p> <p>Philadelphia County</p> <p>Amount: \$936,352</p>	<p>The Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP) is requesting \$936,352 to sustain intensive case management services for youth and families living in Philadelphia communities that have experienced violence. Intensive case management includes providing psychoeducation, emotional support, trauma-focused therapy, system navigation and advocacy, and connection to community resources. The goals of the project include refining and improving current practices for youth impacted by gun violence, increasing access to concrete resources for youth and families, enhancing access to mental health support and address an increase in suicidality, and enhancing evaluation efforts to continue to provide trauma-informed services.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support personnel providing case management, mental health services, supervision, and data collection and analysis. This grant is expected to expand intervention services, reduce risk for future violence and injury, and provide positive outcomes for youth and their families.</p>
<p>City of Erie</p> <p>Erie County</p> <p>Amount: \$950,000</p>	<p>The City of Erie is requesting \$950,000 to support five officers in the Juvenile Unit and Crisis Car of the Erie Police Department. These units respond to incidents of mental/behavioral health issues, substance use disorders, homelessness, gun violence, and domestic violence. The Juvenile Unit works with at-risk youth to connect them to diversionary programs, services, and resources. Key partnerships include Erie’s public schools and Juvenile Probation to redirect youth behaviors, provide them with support, and prevent them from entering the justice system.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support three existing positions and would add two new officers to each unit. This grant is expected to support community policing and crisis intervention, connect vulnerable at-risk populations to services, and build relationships with Erie’s youth, with the ultimate goal of diverting individuals from the justice system.</p>
<p>CORA Services</p> <p>Philadelphia County</p> <p>Amount: \$725,570</p>	<p>CORA Services’ Good Shepherd Mediation - Restorative Justice Department is requesting \$725,570 to operate and enhance their Transforming Justice Hub at George Washington High School.</p> <p>Funds will be used to increase the number of hubs offered at the school, provide training to school staff, add a Youth Advisory component to their Community Advisory Council, and support graduates in serving as youth mentors. This grant is expected to incorporate restorative practices in school interventions, increase the number of youth served, and decrease violent incidents within the school and community.</p>
<p>Drexel University - Center for Nonviolence and Social Justice</p> <p>Philadelphia County</p> <p>Amount: \$950,000</p>	<p>The Center for Nonviolence and Social Justice (CNSJ) at Drexel University Dornsife School of Public Health is requesting \$950,000 to enhance and expand its Community Outreach Team (COT) program, part of the Center’s Healing Hurt People program.</p> <p>Funds will be used to enhance COT’s efforts to provide violence prevention and intervention services to youth aged 14 - 24 who are exposed to ongoing community violence and subsequent trauma, alongside a number of community partners. This grant is expected to</p>

	<p>provide violence prevention services to Philadelphia neighborhoods and communities that have been historically and disproportionately affected by disinvestment, violence, and poverty, and to create a safe space for youth and their families.</p>
<p>Education Plus Health Philadelphia County Amount: \$942,315</p>	<p>Education Plus Health is requesting \$942,315 to provide universal mental health screenings to more than 1,500 students in grades 6-12 in Philadelphia and support clinical interventions and services to those identified with trauma and/or mental health distress.</p> <p>Funds will be used to hire three Clinicians to provide services and linkage to care. This grant is expected to identify and serve at least 675 youth at high risk for violence exposure and trauma.</p>
<p>First Person Arts Philadelphia County Amount: \$529,089</p>	<p>First Person Arts is requesting \$529,089 to mentor middle and high school students in a trauma-informed environment as they learn how to tell their personal violence story in a way that empowers them, externalizes their trauma, and reduces the power trauma has over them.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support teaching artists, school outreach, Moments of Sharing in community and program management, oversight, and data reporting. This grant is expected to reach 220 students and improve their ability to identify, process, and communicate issues that are impactful to them, including those related to gun violence.</p>
<p>Foundation of HOPE Allegheny County Amount: \$949,253</p>	<p>Foundation of HOPE is requesting \$949,253 to expand their reentry program and their collaboration with the Greater Pittsburgh Area MAD DADS initiative to enable returning citizens to be financially compensated for participating in street outreach and violence prevention programs.</p> <p>Funds will be used to provide support toward basic needs (e.g., transportation, ID services, clothing, food, housing, employment support), staffing (intake specialist and three caseworkers), and program materials. This grant is expected to provide supportive services for over 2,000 new reentry participants, resulting in employment, stable housing, and reduced recidivism.</p>
<p>Girls Inc. of Greater Philadelphia & Southern New Jersey Philadelphia County Amount: \$799,813</p>	<p>Girls Inc. of Greater Philadelphia & Southern New Jersey is requesting \$799,813 to expand its Bold Futures program, an intensive violence prevention mentoring program for high-risk girls with both individual and community risk factors between the ages 9 to 14, who reside in Philadelphia. The expansion would add two additional schools to the program, making a total of eight sites in Philadelphia. The program meets twice each week during the school year, with one day dedicated to academic enrichment and the second dedicated to mentoring. The program also provides a four-week camp in the summer.</p> <p>Funds will be used to provide intensive mentoring and support, address the social-emotional learning of participants, work with school administration to ensure constructive disciplinary methods, and engage parents and teachers. Participants receive comprehensive violence prevention education, develop personal</p>

	<p>safety plans, practice effective communication strategies, learn conflict resolution techniques, and receive exposure to career and academic opportunities. This grant is expected to serve 200 participants annually, 25 per site.</p>
<p>Greater Scranton YMCA Lackawanna and Luzerne Counties Amount: \$940,500</p>	<p>The Greater Scranton YMCA is requesting \$940,500 to provide high-quality, supportive programs for at-risk children and teens through the enhancement of the YMCA's Wellbeing Initiative. The Greater Scranton YMCA partners with the Greater Carbondale YMCA and the Greater Wyoming Valley YMCA to implement the YMCA Wellbeing Initiative. The Wellbeing Initiative integrates mentoring programs, yoga, mindfulness, and social-emotional learning activities and curriculums.</p> <p>Funds be used to support staff development and program materials to support youth mentoring, mindfulness practices, and social-emotional learning, with an overall goal of addressing and preventing community violence, mental health, and substance use disorders. This grant is expected to decrease youth violence, improve mental health outcomes, and increase program accessibility for underserved communities.</p>
<p>Harrisburg Area YMCA Dauphin County Amount: \$250,000</p>	<p>The Harrisburg Area YMCA is requesting \$250,000 to expand their Youth and Teen Programs, with a focus on reducing youth violence, increasing engagement, and fostering family involvement.</p> <p>Funds will be used to hire a dedicated Youth and Teen Director, as well as pay for transportation services, nutritious meals, and incentives for parent and teen participation, with the overall goal of creating safe spaces and positive experiences for at-risk youth. This grant is expected to help reduce youth violence and delinquency, improve school attendance, and establish a supportive community environment that empowers at-risk youth to make positive life choices.</p>
<p>HIAS and Council Migration Service of Philadelphia dba HIAS Pennsylvania Philadelphia County Amount: \$950,000</p>	<p>HIAS PA is requesting \$950,000 to provide immigration legal services, case management, and support services to low-income immigrant youth and their families who are eligible for (but have not yet obtained) legal status and are therefore vulnerable to exploitation and abuse.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support legal staff, a Case Manager, and Youth Advocates to support at-risk youth. This grant is expected to stabilize youth, assist in providing legal status, and enable access to healthcare, work authorization, educational support, and independence.</p>
<p>Homewood Children's Village Allegheny County Amount: \$950,000</p>	<p>Homewood Children's Village is requesting \$950,000 to support its Holistic Anti-Violence Education Network (HAVEN) program, which embeds violence prevention in community schools, trains parents and family members in anti-violence techniques, provides youth mentorship, and expands access to therapeutic services.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support current and new personnel, including a Senior Director of Programs, three full-time Site Managers, two part-time Student Advocates, and administrative staff to support</p>

	<p>grants management functions. Funds will also support travel and training, program and outreach supplies and operating expenses, consultants providing group therapy sessions, evaluation, and trainings/workshops. This grant is expected to help programming and resources reach an additional 200 youth and parents/guardians per year, as well as expand training offerings through new staff and train-the-trainer approaches.</p>
<p>HopePHL (formerly People's Emergency Center) Philadelphia County Amount: \$570,710</p>	<p>HopePHL is requesting \$570,710 to provide Trauma-Focused Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT) and violence prevention curricula to high school-aged students in Philadelphia. TF-CBT is a conjoint parent-child treatment that uses cognitive-behavioral principles and exposure techniques to prevent and treat posttraumatic stress, depression, and disruptive behaviors; TF-CBT has been proven effective in teaching youth and caregivers how to challenge invasive thoughts of guilt and fear.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support personnel (two full-time therapists) and travel/equipment expenses. This grant is expected to introduce youth and their caregivers to coping skills that will help them respond to stressful situations.</p>
<p>JEVS Human Services Philadelphia and Montgomery Counties Amount: \$950,000</p>	<p>JEVS is requesting \$950,000 to support The Choice Is Yours (TCY) Safe and Sound, an enhanced diversion and reentry program, in Philadelphia and Montgomery counties that focuses specifically on individuals at highest risk for gun violence involvement, including those charged with firearm-related offenses. Currently, TCY is limited to first-time offenders; the proposed TCY Safe and Sound expansion would reach youth and adults in Philadelphia and Norristown who are currently ineligible for TCY program participation, reaching higher-risk individuals more likely to engage in gun violence.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support staffing, including new and current personnel (Program Manager, Office Manager, two Resource Coordinators, Program Instructor, Quality Assurance Specialist, etc.); equipment, supplies, and operating expenses; travel, training, and training-related supplies and materials. This grant is expected to serve an additional 80 clients in Philadelphia and 40 clients in Montgomery County on a monthly basis.</p>
<p>Lehigh Valley Hospital, Inc. Carbon, Lehigh, Luzerne, Schuylkill, and Northampton Counties Amount: \$950,000</p>	<p>Lehigh Valley Hospital, Inc. (LVH), in collaboration with Promise Neighborhoods of the Lehigh Valley (PNLV), is requesting \$950,000 to sustain its Cure Violence partnership in Allentown and other counties and communities in Central Eastern Pennsylvania. Cure Violence is an evidence-based public health model that treats violence as a learned and preventable behavior and can lead to reductions in retaliatory violence. This project maintains critical elements of a collaboration between LVH Trauma Centers and the PNLV's Zero Youth Violence Team to build relationships with people who are immersed in and struggling with violence, intervene during the crisis of hospitalization, decrease retaliatory violence, and promote norm-changing messages of anti-violence.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support both hospital-based and community-based personnel, including three Violence Prevention Coordinators,</p>

	<p>a Project Coordinator, one Outreach Worker, one Violence Interrupter, and one Volunteer Coordinator; local and conference travel; program supplies (including outreach and firearms safety materials) and equipment; and costs associated with a Community Violence Summit. This grant is expected to result in decreased retaliatory acts of violence and, ultimately, reduced hospital admissions for violent injury, within the project’s regional service area.</p>
<p>Lutheran Social Mission Society DBA Lutheran Settlement House Philadelphia County Amount: \$947,901</p>	<p>Lutheran Settlement House is requesting \$947,901 to adapt, implement, and evaluate their violence prevention program, Students Talking About Relationships (STAR), with three new target populations: queer/trans youth, violence-affected youth, and patients who screen positive for teen dating violence at the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP).</p> <p>Funds will be used to support staff, CHOP partnerships to link patients with counseling programs and resources, stipends for STAR Teen Ambassadors, and incentives/food/transportation for participants. This grant is expected to deliver programming to 200 high-risk youth, screen 90,000 teens for dating violence, provide linkage to services, decrease PTSD symptoms, and provide leadership and educational opportunities to youth.</p>
<p>Making a Change Group Delaware County Amount: \$440,280</p>	<p>Making a Change Group is requesting \$440,280 to provide credible-messenger-based violence intervention services and mentoring to youth and young adults ages 14 – 24 residing in three neighborhoods in Chester City, PA.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support personnel, workshop expenses, staff training, youth incentives, travel costs, and operating costs. This grant is expected to provide additional opportunities for intervention and expand to new neighborhoods, with the ultimate goal of reducing gun violence in targeted community regions.</p>
<p>Municipality of Norristown Montgomery County Amount: \$950,000</p>	<p>The Municipality of Norristown, on behalf of the Norristown Police Department, is requesting \$950,000 to enhance the Safe Marshall Street Corridor Crime Reduction Plan. This plan includes activities to improve safety by addressing physical and environmental factors that contribute to violence (e.g., Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design strategies), increase surveillance capabilities and patrolling by law enforcement within high-crime locations, and deploy new approaches to improve community engagement.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support the purchase of camera systems and license plate readers, enhance lighting, a Robbery Box Initiative, and Community CompStat. This grant is expected to reduce crime, including violent incidents, within the Marshall Street Corridor and increase community safety.</p>
<p>NoMo Foundation Philadelphia County Amount: \$950,000</p>	<p>The New Options More Opportunities (NoMo) Foundation is requesting \$950,000 to offer in-house mental health support and enhance capacity to provide quality services to youth. The organization currently operates five service centers for youth and their families across Philadelphia, which offer a range of programming resources, including professional development,</p>

	<p>financial literacy education, life skills, career exploration, housing assistance, and mental health support.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support the hiring of a part-time Mental Health Counselor to provide daily access to mental health and grief supports, a full-time Data Manager, and convert two part-time roles to full-time positions (Youth Coordinator and Community Outreach Specialist) to increase capacity for youth mentoring and parent/family engagement programs (“Parent Cafes”). This grant is expected to expand programming, increase attendance and participation among youth, and strengthen ability to respond to emerging community needs effectively.</p>
<p>One Art Community Center</p> <p>Philadelphia County</p> <p>Amount: \$175,000</p>	<p>One Art Community Center is requesting \$175,000 to expand trauma-informed arts and cultural programming in West Philadelphia. The Center provides holistic healing and safe creative spaces for community members, including film classes, arts and wellness classes, and other community-centered programming for youth and adults.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support weekly classes and monthly community programs including film and video, movement arts, yoga, and more, with the goal of increasing access to free arts and cultural programming and creating a community for people who have experienced violence. Funds will support the Center’s personnel, consultants and instructors to facilitate filmmaking classes and other program offerings, as well as operational costs. This grant is expected to serve over 10,000 Philadelphians over the course of the project period through classes, workshops, and larger-scale community events.</p>
<p>Opportunities Industrialization Center Philadelphia d.b.a. OIC Philadelphia</p> <p>Philadelphia County</p> <p>Amount: \$216,875</p>	<p>OIC Philadelphia is requesting \$216,875 to strengthen and expand their Workforce Development Training with Integrated Holistic Supportive Services program. Through this program, vocational training will be combined with wraparound services for participants who are low-income, housing insecure, justice-involved, or otherwise susceptible to community violence.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support and strengthen their existing intervention programming partnerships with behavioral health providers, workforce development agencies, and violence prevention organizations. This grant is expected to serve 60 at-risk individuals, with individuals completing vocational training, securing employment, improving mental health outcomes, and reducing recidivism rates.</p>
<p>Oxford Circle Christian Community Development Association</p> <p>Philadelphia County</p> <p>Amount: \$754,043</p>	<p>The Oxford Circle Christian Community Development Association is requesting \$754,043 to build on services offered to Fels High School students and families through the Fels Oasis. The Fels Oasis is a safe place where students who have been impacted by violence can decompress, participate in small-group social-emotional learning sessions, and receive case management assistance and one-on-one interventions.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support staffing, trips for students, curriculum development, case management software, and program materials.</p>

	<p>This grant is expected to reach 150 students per year and result in violence interruption through conflict mediation skills training and connection to community resources.</p>
<p>Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police Association</p> <p>Statewide</p> <p>Amount: \$591,000</p>	<p>The Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police Association is requesting \$591,000 to enhance its statewide programs that combat and reduce community violence, domestic violence, and intimate partner violence. This funding will support continued and enhanced services to bolster law enforcement agencies' ability to track and respond to crime trends.</p> <p>Funds will be used to enhance records management systems used by 104 police departments; upgrade the Pennsylvania Police Virtual Training Network (PAVTN) currently used by 33,740 law enforcement professionals; create a pre-booking software module for 212 criminal booking sites to increase efficiency and reduce the time to process criminal offenders; and provide for costs associated with grant administration and program management. This grant is expected to improve access to trainings, technology, and other tools, improving booking procedures and increasing crime scene documentation, ultimately leading to more reliable criminal investigations and prosecutions.</p>
<p>Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence</p> <p>Statewide</p> <p>Amount: \$950,000</p>	<p>PCADV is requesting \$950,000 to address gun violence among those also experiencing domestic violence through the expansion of its community-led strategies to intervene in and respond to domestic violence (DV).</p> <p>Funds will be used to generate hotspot mapping for DV-related calls that included a firearm, work with DV programs to train and provide scanners that identify tracking devices, and provide subgrants focused on community intervention councils, therapy for children impacted by gun violence, and community education. This grant is expected to enrich the data available on gun-violence related domestic violence incidents and ultimately, to reduce incidences of domestic violence lethality.</p>
<p>Pennsylvania Immigrant & Refugee Women's Network</p> <p>Dauphin County</p> <p>Amount: \$37,000</p>	<p>The Pennsylvania Immigrant and Refugee Women's Network (PAIRWN) is requesting \$37,000 to address the economic advocacy, emotional healing and well-being of immigrant and refugee victims of domestic violence in a culturally appropriate manner.</p> <p>Funds will be used to expand its Survivor Empowerment Circles Program to provide culturally responsive services to victims of domestic violence. Grant funds will be used toward staffing and consultants, transportation, interpretation services, and supplies. This grant is expected to assist participants in emotional healing and economic self-sufficiency through employment assistance and workforce development programming.</p>
<p>Pennsylvania Mental Health Consumers' Association</p> <p>Lancaster County</p> <p>Amount: \$741,402</p>	<p>The Pennsylvania Mental Health Consumers' Association is requesting \$741,402 to expand its current Peer Co-Responder Program from one municipal police department and one peer support professional to five municipal police departments and three full-time peer support professionals. This program focuses on individuals experiencing issues related to violence, mental health, or</p>

	<p>substance use, as well as their families and loved ones. Four new police departments will join the Co-Responder Program (East Lampeter Township, Manheim Township, Pequea, and Strasburg), expanding geographic coverage. The program will also develop a data dashboard in collaboration with the Youth and Family Training Institute to monitor progress and track outcomes.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support staffing, training programs for peer professionals and police officers, and travel expenses. This grant is expected to expand reach and improve data-driven program evaluation.</p>
<p>Phase 4 Learning Center, Inc.</p> <p>Allegheny and Beaver Counties</p> <p>Amount: \$949,991</p>	<p>Phase 4 is requesting \$949,991 to expand its P4: 247 CommUNITY program, which provides culturally sensitive, trauma-informed interventions (mentoring and counseling) to youth/young adults and families impacted by gun violence within Allegheny and Beaver Counties. P4: 247 CommUNITY uses a combination of programming and educational strategies to engage youth and help them increase their skills and postsecondary readiness, while trained mentors provide support.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support project-related personnel, including Program Manager, Career Coordinator, Counselor/Mentor, and two In-School Violence Intervention Specialists/Mentors, as well as supplies and operating expenses for programming, activities, and events. Funds will also provide for paid work internships and job shadowing experiences for youth. The grant is expected to result in additional interactions with on-site violence intervention specialists, more opportunities for career exploration/job shadowing, enhanced health and wellness services, and additional community outreach events and resources. Funding for PCCD will help expand services within targeted communities, specifically Aliquippa (Beaver County) at the request of local officials and school district leaders, due to an uptick in violence and the need for enhanced youth services.</p>
<p>Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine</p> <p>Philadelphia County</p> <p>Amount: \$715,774</p>	<p>The Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine (PCOM) is requesting \$715,774 to enhance healthcare professional gun violence education programming and expand access to trauma-informed behavioral treatment.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support healthcare provider training through instructional brochures, seminars, role-plays, standardized patient encounters, and patient discussion forums, and will support delivery of free, brief cognitive-behavioral therapy (CBT) for adults experiencing symptoms of posttraumatic stress after gun violence exposure in three Philadelphia healthcare centers. This grant is expected to promote greater confidence among primary care providers in their ability to talk to patients about gun violence, increase the number of referrals to existing community-based resources and PCOM's behavioral health service, and reduce trauma symptom severity in adults undergoing CBT following exposure to gun violence.</p>
<p>Philadelphia Youth Basketball</p> <p>Philadelphia County</p>	<p>Philadelphia Youth Basketball (PYB) is requesting \$896,000 to enhance and expand its Older Youth Academies program, which supports high school-aged youth (ages 13-18), adding a new girls-</p>

<p>Amount: \$896,000</p>	<p>only anti-violence and diversion program to address gender-specific needs. The project will also enhance community outreach and engagement efforts, including building new school-based partnerships and increasing referrals from diversion programs and other high-risk recruitment channels to increase program reach among youth with elevated risk of gun violence involvement.</p> <p>Funds be used to support salaries for staff overseeing PYB's Older Youth Programming Suite, a new full-time Community Engagement Coordinator, and other personnel. Funds will also support Culture Keepers (trusted community members who promote positive relationships with youth) and older youth staff, trauma-informed training, community and parent/family engagement, and safe transportation pathways. This grant is expected to double the number of youth participating in the Older Youth Academies program, increase the number of programming days and transportation options to improve access for youth, and reduce recidivism rates among justice-involved participants.</p>
<p>Philly Truce Foundation Philadelphia County Amount: \$86,616</p>	<p>Philly Truce Foundation is requesting \$86,616 to expand the geographic coverage and frequency of its PEACE PATROL program. The goal of the program is to reduce gun violence in public spaces through visible deterrence. Currently, the program operates out of one base with the goal of adding two additional bases in the highest risk zip codes in Philadelphia. The target blocks are identified through data from the District Attorney's office. The key activities of PEACE PATROL include being a visible presence on the streets, disseminating information, and recruiting residents to join patrols. Each patrol unit consists of 3-4 justice-impacted individuals led by experienced patrollers and marshals to conduct a community-led walking patrol. Philly Truce partners with the Philadelphia Police Department to operate the program.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support six patrol positions and a Patrol Lead; and program supplies including uniforms and lights. The grant funding would provide for the expansion of two new bases and increase patrols from three to five days per week. This grant is expected to serve 72 justice-involved individuals over the next year.</p>
<p>Pottstown Hospital - Tower Health Montgomery County Amount: \$814,809</p>	<p>The Pottstown Hospital is requesting \$814,809 to implement a comprehensive violence prevention and intervention program aimed at reducing community violence and improving mental health support for individuals affected by trauma.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support the addition of a Street Medicine Prevention Manager to the Montgomery County Street Medicine team, who will provide mobile health and behavioral healthcare, deliver violence prevention education, and facilitate referrals to community services for individuals experiencing homeless who are at a high risk for violence and trauma. Grant funds will also support the addition of a contracted Violence Intervention Social Worker and Supervisor in the Pottstown Hospital Emergency Department, who will provide immediate, trauma-informed case management and support to victims of violence. This grant is expected to reduce community violence and increase access to behavioral health resources.</p>

<p>Reading Hospital</p> <p>Berks County</p> <p>Amount: \$622,649</p>	<p>Reading Hospital is requesting \$622,649 to expand and enhance its Violence Recovery Program. Key activities include engaging violently injured patients who seek care at Reading Hospital at the bedside or soon after Emergency Department discharge, screening and assessing patients for eligibility, and case management and wraparound services including referrals to community-based organizations. The program also includes providing trauma-informed care trainings. The expansion would allow for an additional hire to manage the program, provide additional resources for an emergency support fund, increase outreach and education, establish a community advisory committee, increase employee education, and create a gun safe distribution program.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support the salaries and benefits of a full-time Violence Recovery Specialist and Violence Recovery Program Manager; training, conferences, and local travel costs; supplies and operating expenses including program-specific expenses, an emergency support fund, cell phone, office supplies, printing, uniforms, and memberships; and consultants for topic-specific workshops. This grant is expected to increase participants reporting increases in their sense of safety and stability and decreases in reinjury and retaliation.</p>
<p>Supporting Area Families Everyday</p> <p>Bradford County</p> <p>Amount: \$125,243</p>	<p>Supporting Area Families Everyday is requesting \$125,243 to support family violence prevention efforts in Bradford and surrounding counties by expanding its Supervised Visitation and Parent Education Program. The initiative focuses on reducing domestic violence by providing safe environments for families during custody exchanges and teaching parents emotional self-regulation skills to prevent conflict. The key activities include structured, supervised visitations, safe no-contact custody exchanges, and trauma-informed, evidence-based parenting classes designed to break cycles of violence.</p> <p>Funds will support the salary and benefits of the Program Specialist responsible for the implementation of the program. This grant is expected to increase service capacity by 25% over the next two years and strengthen family resilience and build safer, more stable communities.</p>
<p>The Legacy Arts Project</p> <p>Allegheny County</p> <p>Amount: \$434,840</p>	<p>The Legacy Arts Project is requesting \$434,840 to implement the expansion of the Drums Not Guns, which is a culturally enriching program to reduce gun violence and participation in gang activity.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support staffing, consultants (drum and martial arts instruction, program evaluation, mentoring, cultural sensitivity), operational expenses, and cover supply expenses (e.g., drums, costumes, food for monthly gatherings, etc.). This grant is expected to serve 150 youth per year, build skills in drumming and martial arts, and reduce incidents of violent behavior.</p>
<p>The Lincoln Center for Family and Youth</p>	<p>The Lincoln Center for Family and Youth (TLC) is requesting \$950,000 to continue and enhance a hospital and community-based violence intervention program modeled after Helping Hurt People, a model developed by Drexel University's Center for Nonviolence and Social Justice. TLC will partner with Trinity Health Mid-Atlantic to</p>

<p>Bucks, Delaware, Montgomery, and Philadelphia Counties</p> <p>Amount: \$950,000</p>	<p>implement this intervention program in Bucks, Delaware, and Montgomery Counties and in Northeast Philadelphia. The proposed program will mitigate the impacts of gun and group-related violence through assertive outreach and crisis response, trauma-focused evidence-based practices, and trauma-informed case management.</p> <p>Funds will be used to partially support the employment of a Violence Intervention Clinical Supervisor and Data Coordinator, as well as two full-time positions (Lead Violence Intervention Clinician, Violence Intervention Clinician). This grant is expected to provide crisis response, trauma-informed therapy, case management, and follow-up services to approximately 350 individuals exposed to gun and group violence across the community; connect 150 or more individuals to one or more long-term services to address needs related to exposure to gun and group violence; and significantly reduce traumatic stress and prevent violence involvement for individuals exposed to violence receiving services.</p>
<p>The Salvation Army (Reading)</p> <p>Berks County</p> <p>Amount: \$487,509</p>	<p>The Salvation Army is requesting \$487,509 to continue the Reading Corps' Trauma-informed Violence Prevention Program, which offers community-based support groups and "family nights" for children impacted by violence and trauma in Berks County.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support staffing (Program Director, Program Coordinator, and Mental Health Therapist), travel, training, food, and supplies. This grant is expected to serve 150 children, preventing them from engaging in future violent behaviors or limit their susceptibility to victimization by teaching coping skills.</p>
<p>University of Pennsylvania – Penn Injury Science Center</p> <p>Philadelphia County</p> <p>Amount: \$950,000</p>	<p>The Penn Injury Science Center is requesting \$950,000 to sustain and enhance its Penn Community Violence Prevention program in West and Southwest Philadelphia. The expansion aims to increase outreach capacity, enhance current services, and better identify high-risk individuals. The focus of the expansion is to provide more mentorship and case management for high-risk individuals, partnering with Bartram High School to increase the focus to school-age youth, and improve data collection to better identify high-risk participants and properly track outcomes.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support salaries and benefits of two full-time and two part-time community outreach workers, a new case manager position, a current program manager, and partial salary of the Project Director; professional development, local staff travel and conference travel, and transportation for participants; supplies including staff phones, uniforms, community outreach event supplies, incentives, emergency financial supplies and resources, laptops, and printed materials; and indirect costs. This grant is expected to target individuals at the highest risk of gun violence through street outreach, mentorship, and conflict mediation.</p>
<p>University of Pittsburgh</p> <p>Allegheny County</p> <p>Amount: \$949,856</p>	<p>The University of Pittsburgh is requesting \$949,856 to support expansion of the Empowering Teens to Thrive (ET3) hospital-based violence intervention program and community-based mentorship program for youth ages 12-25 injured or impacted by community violence.</p>

	<p>Funds will be used to support social work and program staff, provide stipends to mentors, caregiver support groups, mentor-mentee activities, transportation expenses, and staff training. This grant is expected to serve 150 youth through hospital-based violence intervention programming and 225 youth through community-based mentorship.</p>
<p>Uplift Center for Grieving Children</p> <p>Philadelphia County</p> <p>Amount: \$800,000</p>	<p>Uplift Center for Grieving Children is requesting \$800,000 to provide grief group services and support Philly HopeLine shifts.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support Masters-level clinicians to facilitate group sessions and host Philly HopeLine shifts, as well as provide travel and supplies for group sessions. This grant is expected to provide 120 in-school and 30 family services grief groups and 600 hours of Philly HopeLine shifts, supporting up to 1,200 youth and 600 caregivers in managing their grief and preventing future acts of violence and/or behavioral health challenges.</p>
<p>We Love Philly</p> <p>Philadelphia County</p> <p>Amount: \$245,400</p>	<p>We Love Philly is requesting \$245,400 to enhance mental health support services for pre-apprentices and expand Digital Marketing Apprenticeship opportunities. Grant funds will be used to support staffing for a full-time Emotional Support Coordinator and three apprentice positions. This grant is expected to provide more structured counseling time and effective one-on-one community mentoring.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support the hiring of apprentices to allow We Love Philly to strengthen its Digital Marketing Agency, establishing more community partnerships and business opportunities for the pre-apprentice program and, ultimately, transitioning to a sustainable earned revenue model that contributes to the mission.</p>
<p>Women's Center & Shelter of Greater Pittsburgh</p> <p>Allegheny County</p> <p>Amount: \$500,000</p>	<p>The Women's Center & Shelter of Greater Pittsburgh is requesting \$500,000 to expand the efforts of the Legal Advocacy Department's work with high-risk intimate partner violence (IPV) victims in danger of firearm violence.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support positions within their Firearm Safety Team, provide staff training, and provide client transportation. This grant is expected to identify 200 IPV victims per year to receive immediate outreach and connection to services, including connections to police specialists for weapons confiscation.</p>
<p>Women's Center of Beaver County</p> <p>Beaver County</p> <p>Amount: \$887,767</p>	<p>The Women's Center of Beaver County is requesting \$887,767 to support expansion of the Lethality Assessment Program (LAP) in Beaver County, continue increased access to trauma-informed services for families that have experienced interpersonal violence, and intervene with at-risk youth by connecting students with trauma supports.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support staff (legal advocate, therapists, family counselor, education specialist) that will support 15 police departments in expanding the LAP. This grant is expected to provide increased access to trauma-informed services and intervention for victims, foster skills for healthy relationships, and reduce the risk for future victimization.</p>

<p>Xiente</p> <p>Philadelphia County</p> <p>Amount: \$949,995</p>	<p>Xiente is requesting \$949,995 to enhance its anti-violence efforts by introducing a job readiness program, for ages 10-19, and enhancing its workforce development program, for ages 14-19. The enhancement would allow for a new general carpentry pre-apprenticeship component for low-income, at-risk Hispanic and Black youth across Philadelphia. The program will train youth in NCCER and OSHA-10 certified skills and will prepare participants for NCEES exams and equip them for job placements in Xiente's community development projects.</p> <p>Funds will be used for partial salaries and benefits of staff; training costs; supplies and operating expenses including copier and printer maintenance, construction materials, exam certification fees, printed materials, and data management; consultants costs of a National Center for Construction Education and Research curriculum certified Construction Instructor and OSHA-10 Construction-English training; stipends; and indirect costs. This grant is expected to equip youth with technical skills and job readiness training to provide sustainable alternatives to violence.</p>
<p>York County Commissioners</p> <p>York County</p> <p>Amount: \$844,287</p>	<p>The York County Commissioners, on behalf of the York County District Attorney's Office, is requesting \$844,287 to enhance current violence prevention and intervention efforts in York County. The efforts include supporting diversion, alternative prosecution strategies, and appeals; provide trainings in the areas of litigation, investigation, diversion, and violent crimes; support violence interrupter activities via The PROGRAM It's About Change's Credible Messenger role; and support diversion participants' protective and prosocial factors via mentoring.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support the salaries and benefits of the YCDA Specialized Prosecutor and YCDA GVI Paralegal; related trainings; participant supports including registration fees, monthly dues, uniforms, and required supplies; and the PROGRAM's Credible Messenger salary and benefits. This grant is expected to reduce the number of justice-involved individuals and reduce recidivism rates in York County.</p>
<p>Youth Enrichment Services, Inc.</p> <p>Allegheny County</p> <p>Amount: \$950,000</p>	<p>Youth Enrichment Services, Inc. (YES) is requesting \$950,000 to enhance its youth-led peer engagement and violence prevention programming. Program components include the Fitness Fun Involving Sports and Health program, implementing youth-created Big Ideas for addressing gun violence, and scaling the annual Teen Violence Prevention Symposium. The enhancement would allow for increased frequency of the Fitness Fun Involving Sports and Health program, an annual Youth Job Fair, and expanded reach of the Teen Violence Prevention Symposium.</p> <p>Funds will be used to support partial staff salaries and benefits; youth and coaching stipends; travel and training costs including mileage, travel costs associated with the symposium including bus transportation for participants and guest speakers, and conferences; supplies and operating expenses associated with the symposium, job fair, and fitness programs; and consultants for program evaluation and social and emotional learning. This grant is expected</p>

	<p>to serve over 1,000 youth over the course of the project period, increasing socioemotional protective factors in participants, building resilience, and disincentivizing gun violence.</p>
<p>Youth Mentoring Partnership Philadelphia and Chester Counties Amount: \$684,250</p>	<p>The Youth Mentoring Partnership is requesting \$684,250 to enhance and expand its youth mentoring, social-emotional learning, and safe havens programs. These evidence-based initiatives are led by trauma-informed staff and aim to foster collaboration with schools, civic leaders, and law enforcement to support vulnerable at-risk youth.</p> <p>Grant funds will be used to support costs associated with retaining key staff, including the organization's Program & Research Director; creating and hiring a new Assistant Program Director and additional Site Coordinator; and support three trauma-informed Coach Mentors (contracted through Up2Us Sports). Grant funds will also provide for program-related operations and supplies (including software, laptops, student incentives, recognition items, etc.). This grant is expected to promote pro-social behavior, support trauma recovery, and reduce community violence by serving an additional 600 youth from 1-2 new schools.</p>