



Pennsylvania
**Commission on Crime
and Delinquency**

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19

Webinar for Interested Applicants
FY 2025-26 Violence Intervention and Prevention
(VIP) + Building Opportunities Through Out-of-
School Time (BOOST) Grants

Welcome!

Housekeeping:

1. Recording and slides will be posted on PCCD's [Active Funding Announcements](#) webpage.
2. Can you hear us?
3. We can't hear you.
4. Questions can be emailed to ra-cd-vipgrants@pa.gov.



What we'll cover today:

1. PCCD Overview
2. About the Grant Program
3. Review of Funding Announcement
4. Navigating the Application/Initial Request Process
5. How to Ask Questions + Seek Support
6. FAQs





PCCD Overview

A brief introduction to PCCD

PCCD's mission is to **advance justice system collaboration, support victims, and promote safer schools and communities** through planning, training, and financial assistance.

PCCD invests in a wide range of programs aligned with our mission and strategic priorities.



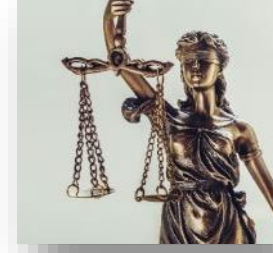
Gun Violence Prevention



Victim Services & Compensation



School Safety & Mental Health



Criminal Justice System Improvements



Youth-focused Prevention



Law Enforcement Technology & Training



Behavioral/Mental Health Initiatives



Children's Advocacy Centers



Juvenile Justice System Improvements



Data & Research

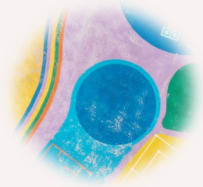




About the grant program

VIP & BOOST Grant Funding

VIP + BOOST Grants support a wide range of programs addressing root causes + impacts of community violence.



Youth-focused Prevention

Upstream prevention initiatives, including mentoring and out-of-school time (OST) programs



Other Prevention

Addressing broad, community-wide risk factors (*firearm safety campaigns, greening and CPTED, Safe Passages, etc.*)



Intervention

Focused on reaching individuals at highest risk of violence involvement (*street outreach, HVIPs, other evidence-based community violence intervention strategies*)



Reentry/Aftercare

Supporting successful return to family, community, and society for justice-involved youth and adults



Healing

Trauma-informed approaches that engage people who have experienced or witnessed gun violence (*victim services, mental and behavioral health supports, etc.*)



Systems Transformation & Innovations

Piloting new strategies or enhancing local coordination and impact (*local planning/needs assessments, Violence Reduction Councils, task forces, etc.*)



Review of Funding Announcement

**FY 2025-26 VIP + BOOST
Funding Announcement**

GOAL: Support community-based strategies to reduce violence and expand programming for at-risk youth across the Commonwealth.

Important Dates

- **Friday, January 23, 2026** – Final date to submit questions regarding this announcement.
- **Monday, January 26, 2026** – Initial applications due in SurveyMonkey.
- **Spring 2026** – Applications presented to School Safety and Security Committee for approval.
- ***March 1, 2026** – Project start date.



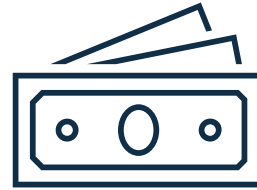
Funding Availability

**Available
Funding**



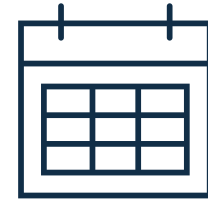
*~ \$60 million
(including \$11.5M for
BOOST grants)*

**Dollar
amount**



*\$500,000 or no more
than 50% of annual
operating expenditures*

**Project
Duration**



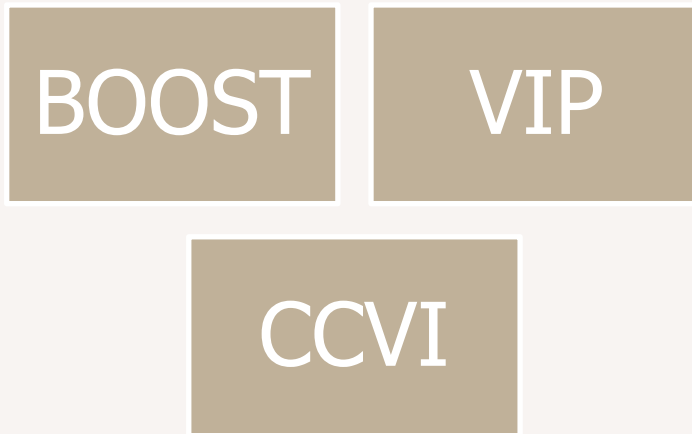
*36-month
project period
(3/1/26 – 4/30/29)*



What's Changed?

LAST YEAR

3 funding announcements with multiple tracks in each



THIS YEAR

Only 2 funding announcements

COMBINED VIP + BOOST Grant Solicitation [SurveyMonkey]

Statewide BOOST Grant Solicitation [Egrants]



Please **CAREFULLY** read through the 2 funding announcements for eligibility and other requirements.



Who is Eligible to Apply?

Eligible Applicant Type*	Eligible Activity Area
Community-based nonprofit (501(c)(3))	VIP or BOOST
Municipality, county, or district attorney's office	VIP only
Institution of higher education	VIP only
School district or career and technical center (CTC)	BOOST only
Library	BOOST only

**Eligible applicants may only submit one (1) application under the FY 2025-26 VIP + BOOST funding announcement.*



PLEASE NOTE: Statewide youth-serving nonprofits with a 501(c)(4) designation must apply under the FY 25-26 Statewide BOOST application in Egrants. That is the ONLY eligible applicant under that funding announcement.



Eligible Activities

VIP	BOOST
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prevention – Youth Focused• Prevention – Other• Intervention• Reentry/Aftercare• Healing• Systems Transformation & Innovations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prevention – Youth Focused



PLEASE NOTE: If you are an eligible applicant ONLY eligible for BOOST (school districts, career and technical centers, or libraries), you must select the Prevention – Youth Focused category.



Allowable Grant Expenses



Eligible Expenses

- Salaries and benefits for personnel, including overtime
- Contractors/consultants
- Costs associated with referring program participants to community-based service providers and programs (including meals, incentives and/or stipends for participants)
- Expenses and activities for VIP projects related to Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)
- Training and technical assistance
- Travel/transportation expenses
- Other activities and expenses necessary to meet the needs of program and participants



Ineligible Expenses

- Construction
- Land acquisition
- Lobbying and political contributions
- Honoraria or bonuses
- Vehicle purchases
- Any expenses that fall significantly outside of the scope of the funding announcement



PLEASE NOTE: Indirect costs are limited to 15% of modified total direct costs (MTDC). Please reference [PCCD's Applicant's Manual](#).





FY 25-26 Priority Considerations

- **Focus on areas of highest need** (e.g., communities with the highest levels of violence/homicides or those serving large numbers of at-risk youth)
- **New applicants** that have not previously received funding from PCCD or other state agencies (e.g., PDE) for similar activities
- **Applicants with a successful track record in prior BOOST or VIP projects** whose awards have ended or will end by June 30, 2026.





Where do I start?

Navigating the Application/Initial Request Process

REMINDER: Two Different Applications

Statewide BOOST (501c4 Orgs ONLY)

- Applications submitted through **Egrants System**
- **Need Technical Support?** Contact the Egrants Help Desk
 - Email: RA-EgrantsSupport@pa.gov
 - Call: (717) 787-5887
 - Monday-Friday, 8am-4pm



VIP + BOOST (ALL OTHER eligible entities)

- Applications submitted through **SurveyMonkey**



What's Required in the Initial Request?

- ✓ Applicant Information (Not Scored)
- ✓ Project Information and Eligibility (Not Scored)
- ✓ Organization Background (0-15 points)
- ✓ Community Need (0-20 points)
- ✓ Project Implementation (0-35 points)
- ✓ Need for Funding (0-10 points)
- ✓ Budget & Narrative (0-20 points)
- ✓ Letters of Support & Additional Attachments



Applicants are **strongly** encouraged to carefully read and review the written funding announcement document prior to starting their Survey Monkey Initial Request Form.

The screenshot shows the official announcement from the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency. It details the funding opportunity for FY 2025-26, including the open solicitation period from December 10, 2025, to January 26, 2026. It provides links for application materials and the electronic submittal form. The document also includes an introduction explaining the goal of the grants, a detailed description of the funding, and a 'Please Note' section regarding 501(c)(4) organizations. A warning icon is overlaid on the top left of the screenshot.

Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency

FY 2025-26 VIOLENCE INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION (VIP) & BUILDING OPPORTUNITIES THROUGH OUT-OF-SCHOOL TIME (BOOST) GRANTS FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT

Open Solicitation Period:
Wednesday, December 10th, 2025 to Monday, January 26th, 2026 at 11:59 PM

Application Materials and Reference Documents Available Here:
<https://www.pccd.pa.gov/criminaljustice/GunViolence/Pages/Grants-and-Funding.aspx>

Link to Electronic Submittal Form (SurveyMonkey):
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2025VIPBOOST>

Introduction
The goal of the FY 2025-26 Violence Intervention and Prevention (VIP) and Building Opportunities Through Out-of-School Time (BOOST) grants is to support a wide range of local community violence prevention and intervention strategies, including upstream prevention for at-risk school-age youth.¹ This is a single, joint solicitation for VIP + BOOST applicants.

For FY 2025-26, a total of approximately \$60 million in state funding for Violence Intervention and Prevention (VIP) has been directed to the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) for providing 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 (using Uniform Crime Report offense data or similar local crime statistics) and/or firearm-related injury (using injury and hospitalization data or similar local data sources).² VIP funding is intended to support community violence intervention (CVI) strategies designed to address violence that is already occurring in communities.

Additionally, Act 45 of 2025 (Fiscal Code) directs PCCD to reserve at least \$11.5 million of appropriated VIP funds for BOOST grants. BOOST grants support statewide and local out-of-school time (OST) programming for at-risk school-age youth.

Please Note: Statewide youth serving nonprofits with a 501(c)(4) designation should not apply using this application and **must apply** under the FY 25-26 Statewide BOOST application in [Egranis](#). Nonprofit organizations which are affiliated with a statewide youth serving 501(c)(4) organization may apply for funding under the FY 25-26 VIP + BOOST solicitation, **unless** they will be included as a proposed subrecipient.

¹ For purposes of this solicitation, "at risk youth" is defined as school-age youth who are at an educational disadvantage because of limited English proficiency, poverty, economic disadvantage, homelessness, housing instability, foster care, and/or academic difficulties. PCCD defines school-age youth to mean 5 years of age until 18 years of age.
² You can use PCCD's [Gun Violence Grants & Data Dashboard](#) to see data on firearm injury rates in local ZIP codes as well as county-level homicide data through 2023.

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REMINDER:

All application responses should be submitted using SurveyMonkey fields. There is no separate Proposal Narrative document required for FY25-26.

VIP+ BOOST Initial Request Process

- SurveyMonkey (NOT Egrants)
- Reference the SurveyMonkey questions to prepare responses in advance



PLEASE NOTE: File uploads in SurveyMonkey are limited to 16MB each.

FY25-26 VIP + BOOST - Initial Funding Request

1. APPLICATION OVERVIEW & INSTRUCTIONS

The Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) recently announced the availability of approximately \$60 million in state Violence Intervention and Prevention (VIP) funding for the FY 2025-26 VIP and BOOST Grants.

PLEASE READ THE FY2025-26 VIP + BOOST GRANTS FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT PRIOR TO INITIATING THIS APPLICATION PROCESS:

[2025-26 VIP + BOOST Funding Announcement.pdf \(pa.gov\)](#)

Initial Request Process: Eligible applicants seeking FY2025-26 VIP + BOOST Grants funding must complete an online application form in SurveyMonkey.



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Initial Request Process:

Eligible applicants seeking FY2025-26 VIP + BOOST Grants funding must complete an online application form in SurveyMonkey.

A written version of the SurveyMonkey online form questions and other application resources are available on PCCD's website here:

<https://www.pccd.pa.gov/criminaljustice/GunViolence/Pages/Grants-and-Funding.aspx>



Survey Monkey Tips

- Recommend **drafting responses outside SurveyMonkey in advance**
- Must **use the same computer, device, or system + web browser** to maintain prior work
- Recommend **designating one staff person to submit** when ready



Survey
Monkey
Tips *(Cont.)*

- **Question 2** asks for your EIN; please double check this is entered correctly.
- **Question 3** asks for Contact Information; please double check the email addresses.
- **Question 22** asks for zip codes(s) where services will be delivered; separate each one with a comma.



*NEW: SurveyMonkey Budget & Narrative

Question 39 – Total Grant Budget Request (TOTALS for all expenditure categories)

- Personnel
- Employee Benefits
- Travel (Including Training)
- Equipment
- Supplies & Operating Expenses
- Consultants
- Other
- **TOTAL GRANT REQUEST**

\$50,000

EXAMPLE

Question 40 – Personnel

Year 1	
Year 2	
Year 3	
TOTAL	\$50,000

EXAMPLE

Question 41 – Personnel Justification

Please describe clearly for the reader the breakdown of costs by year.





How to Ask Questions & Seek Support

How to Ask Questions



Today's webinar!



E-mail PCCD at ra-cd-vipgrants@pa.gov



Answers will be posted on [PCCD's Active Funding Announcement webpage](#).



Check the online Q&A document before asking a question. We might have already answered it.



Need Additional Help? TA is Available!

www.papeacealliance.org

3 scheduled TA Office Hours with VIP TA Team for VIP + BOOST Applicants:

- Wednesday, January 7 at 12pm
- Tuesday, January 13 at 12pm
- Tuesday, January 20 at 12pm

Looking for one-on-one support?
Contact PennVIPTTA@wested.org to schedule a time to meet.

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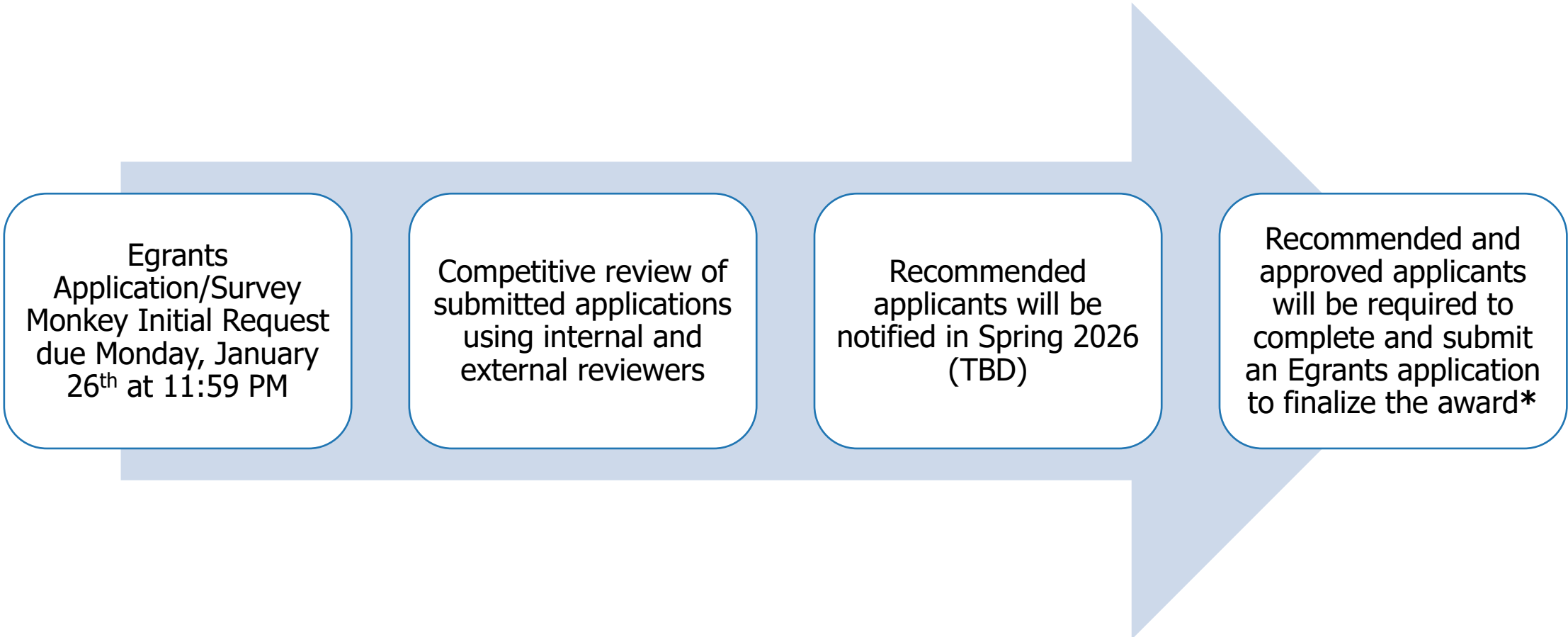
Welcome! The PA Peace Alliance is a new resource supported by the PA Commission on Crime and Delinquency to help groups working to address violence in their communities.

Your one-stop-shop for all of your training and technical assistance (TTA) needs.

From connecting with others across the state to discussing lessons learned to requesting a self-care training for frontline workers—it's all right here!



Application Review + Award Process



***PLEASE NOTE:** Statewide 501(c)(4) applicants approved for an award will finalize the Egrants application started in the system after PCCD staff have time to review and submit additional edits needed to finalize the award.





Frequently-Asked Questions

Frequently Asked Questions

Question:

Should I apply under the FY25-26 VIP + BOOST FA or the Statewide BOOST FA?

Answer:

The Statewide BOOST FA is only open to statewide youth-serving nonprofit organizations with a 501(c)(4) status.

Frequently Asked Questions (continued)

Question:

My agency has received and/or has current funding (including VIP, BOOST, or another PCCD funding stream). Am I eligible to apply?

Answer:

Yes. Entities that have previously received funding under the VIP program, including BOOST funds, or from another PCCD funding stream, may be eligible to apply under this solicitation, dependent upon the entity's overall eligibility and upon the eligible activity/program your organization is seeking funding to support. Prior awards from PCCD does not preclude the applicant from applying under this solicitation; however, prior performance may be taken into consideration during the review process.

Frequently Asked Questions (continued)

Question:

My organization is a local affiliate of a statewide youth serving nonprofit organization. Can I apply under this this solicitation and be included under the statewide BOOST solicitation?

Answer:

No. Nonprofit organizations, which are affiliated with a statewide youth serving organization, may only apply under this solicitation if they are not included as a proposed subrecipient within the Statewide BOOST application. In other words, the affiliate can either apply directly under this solicitation OR be included a proposed subrecipient within the Statewide BOOST application, not both.

Frequently Asked Questions (continued)

Question:

What is the total grant amount I can request?

Answer:

The total grant amount an applicant can request is based off an eligible applicant's total actual operating expenditures for the period of July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025, or \$500,000, whichever is less.



PLEASE NOTE: This year, max award amounts are the same for all VIP + BOOST applicants. Applicants will also be required to provide documentation verifying their organization's actual operating expenditures.

Frequently Asked Questions (continued)

Question:

How does PCCD handle payments to grantees?

Answer:

Per Commonwealth guidelines, PCCD reimburses actual expenditures incurred. PCCD does not provide grant funds upfront. To request reimbursement, grantees are required to submit fiscal reports in Egrants which provide line-item detail on actual grant expenditures. Fiscal reports are required at least quarterly and can be submitted more frequently to assist organizations with cash flow, if needed. Reimbursement cannot occur until the fiscal report is reviewed and approved by PCCD.

Reminder: Funding Announcement Q&A Document Updated Regularly

- Recommend **bookmarking PCCD's [Active Funding Announcements webpage](#)**.
- We regularly update the Funding Announcement Q&A document and post to that page.
- Includes answers to *all* questions PCCD has received on the VIP+BOOST funding announcement.



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Active Funding Announcements

View all current funding opportunities and related documents below.

2022-25 Child Advocacy Center Development

- Applications due: 5/31/2026
- [Funding Announcement](#)

2022-25 Developing Satellite CACs

- Applications due: 5/31/2026
- [Funding Announcement](#)

2026 Medication-Assisted Substance Use Treatment Grant Program (Noncompetitive)

- 1st Round Applications due: 1/13/2026
- 2nd Round Applications due: 4/16/2026
- [Funding Announcement](#)

2025 Fall Nonprofit Security Grant Funds

- Applications due: 1/12/2026
- [Funding Announcement](#)
- [Funding Announcement Q&A](#) (Updated 12/3/2025)
- [Nonprofit Security Grant Fund Program website](#)

2025 Innovative PACTT Projects

- Applications due: 1/12/2026
- [Funding Announcement](#)
- [Funding Announcement Q&As](#) (Updated 12/18/2025)

2025-26 School Safety and Mental Health Grants

- Applications due: 1/28/2026
- [Funding Announcement](#)
- [Funding Announcement Q&As](#) (Updated 12/18/2025)

2025-26 Violence Intervention and Prevention (VIP) and Building Opportunities Through Out-of-School Time (BOOST)

- Applications due: 1/26/2026
- [Funding Announcement](#)
- [Funding Announcement Q&A](#) (Updated 12/18/2025)



Thanks for joining us!

