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To: Interested Parties



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The Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) is now accepting applications for funding under the FY 2024 Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (SCIP) Firearm Suicide Prevention, Intervention, and Postvention Initiative.

Suicide remains the leading cause of firearm-related deaths in the U.S. and in Pennsylvania. To address this issue, PCCD has dedicated a portion of its FY 2024 SCIP State Share funds to support statewide, regional, and local strategies to reduce the risk of firearm suicide and mitigate its impact in Pennsylvania communities. This solicitation requests applications from units of local government, nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher education, statewide organizations, and state government agencies wishing to implement projects and programs that directly address the objectives and proposed approaches under Priority Area 2 in PCCD's approved [FY 2024 Byrne SCIP Funding Plan](#).

A total of \$1 million in federal Byrne SCIP State Share funds is being announced to support this initiative. PCCD expects to fund a total of four (4) to six (6) grants over a 21-month project period under two competitive application tracks:

- Regional/Statewide Projects: Up to \$500,000 for initiatives spanning three or more counties or having a statewide impact.
- Local Projects: Up to \$150,000 for localized efforts.

The funding guidelines provide the necessary information to complete this application. Any questions must be sent via email to RA-PCCD-OCJSI@pa.gov with "SCIP Firearm Suicide Prevention, Intervention, and Postvention Initiative" in the subject line. All questions regarding this funding announcement must be received by close of business on September 2, 2025.

Questions concerning the Egrants System should be made directly to the Egrants Help Desk at either (717) 787-5887, or you may call toll-free at (800) 692-7292 and select option 9 and then option 6 when prompted, or by email at RA-egrantssupport@pa.gov. The Help Desk is available Monday through Friday, 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Your interest in this initiative is greatly appreciated.



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FY 2024 Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (SCIP) Firearm Suicide Prevention, Intervention, and Postvention Initiative

Fiscal Year 2024 Solicitation

Please Note: Applications are *only* accepted through PCCD's Egrants system. Applicants must register in Egrants prior to submitting an application. Applicants are strongly encouraged to familiarize themselves with the Egrants system and allow adequate time to prepare and submit an application.

Prior to starting an application in Egrants, your agency must be registered in Egrants, and at least two individuals from your agency must register as Egrants users and have Egrants user roles for your agency.

Every agency must also have at least one person with the e-signature role in Egrants.

Please refer to the [Getting Started in Egrants](#) page on our website for Egrants registration information and guides.

Egrants Application Deadline: **September 9, 2025**

This funding guideline contains information not appearing in the Egrants application. Applicants are advised to review this document and refer to it while completing your Egrants application.

PCCD staff may only respond to questions to clarify the funding announcement. Questions must be sent via email to: RA-PCCD-OCJSI@pa.gov with "SCIP Firearm Suicide Prevention, Intervention, and Postvention Initiative" in the subject line. All questions regarding this funding announcement must be received by close of business on **September 2, 2025**. PCCD staff will post responses to questions, as they are received, on [PCCD's website](#). Select the appropriate funding announcement to view questions and answers.

For any technical or system questions, contact and ask for the Egrants Help Desk at (717) 787-5887 or (800) 692-7292, or by emailing RA-eGrantsSupport@pa.gov.

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Submission Requirements for Applications:

- **Scoring** – All applications received will be [competitively reviewed and scored](#) based on the applicant’s adherence to the funding announcement guidelines and timely submission in the PCCD Egrants system.
- **Due Date** – Applications must be submitted electronically through PCCD’s Egrants system no later than 11:59 PM on Tuesday, September 9, 2025.
- **Technical Assistance** – Grant application and administrative guides can be accessed on [PCCD’s website](#) under the Funding section. Applicants are strongly encouraged to review the application and administrative guides before calling the Egrants Help Desk for assistance. The Egrants Help Desk is available to assist with technical or system questions Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, and may be reached by calling (717) 787-5887 or (800) 692-7292, or by emailing RA-eGrantsSupport@pa.gov.
- **Egrants Submission** – An application submitted in Egrants by the deadline is not considered complete until PCCD has received the executed signature page, as well as any other required documents. Successful applications will be presented for consideration at the December 10, 2025, Commission meeting.
- **Administrative Rejection** – An application that does not meet all the listed requirements in this funding announcement may be administratively rejected.
- **Corrections** – If PCCD returns an application for corrections, the final application (including all corrections and required documents) must be returned to and approved by PCCD for the requested funding to be awarded.
- **Non-supplantation** – Funding must not be used to supplant/replace state, federal, or local funds that would otherwise be available to provide for program-related services. PCCD funding is to be used in addition to other funds that are made available for services.
- **Keywords** – Applicants are required to select “Keywords” from the dropdown menu located on the Main Summary screen in Egrants. The required keywords are below.

Keywords: *Gun Violence Reduction, Crisis Intervention, Suicide Prevention, Suicide Intervention, Suicide Postvention*

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1. Overview of FY 2024 Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (SCIP):

The federal Bipartisan Safer Communities Act (BSCA) was enacted in June 2022 and included several provisions designed to address gun violence and improve responses to behavioral health crises. Among its provisions, the law also authorized the [Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program \(SCIP\)](#), housed within the U.S. Department of Justice’s Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA). SCIP provides formula-based funds to State Administering Agencies (SAAs) to implement state crisis intervention court proceedings and related programs/initiatives, as articulated within a state-developed SCIP Funding Plan approved by a multidisciplinary Crisis Intervention Advisory Board.

The Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) serves as the SAA for federal SCIP funds. PCCD articulated two overarching goals that would shape planning discussions and decisions for SCIP funds for its FY 2024 application to BJA:

- Advance crisis intervention programs that target the risk factors likely to lead to gun violence.
- Implement projects that support emerging issues and priorities adopted within its SCIP Funding Framework.

Recognizing the important and unique role that each of its Advisory Committees play in advancing effective crisis intervention programs and addressing gun violence, PCCD coordinated FY 2024 SCIP funding planning through its Crisis Intervention Advisory Board (i.e., Commission), and utilized an advisory workgroup consisting of an Advisory Committee of Chairs, designees, representatives from other state agencies, and other relevant stakeholders to shape the [FY 2024 Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program Funding Plan](#), which was approved by BJA in April 2025.

2. Purpose of the FY 2024 Byrne SCIP Firearm Suicide Prevention, Intervention, and Postvention Initiative:

Suicide remains the leading cause of firearm-related deaths in the U.S. and in Pennsylvania. In 2022, more than half (55%) of all gun deaths statewide were firearm suicides, with [significantly higher levels in some of Pennsylvania’s rural counties](#). While firearm-related homicides have declined statewide since 2023, firearm suicide rates in Pennsylvania remain elevated and have continued to increase. In addition, data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention suggests firearm suicide rates have increased significantly among Black Pennsylvanians and youth in recent years.

To address this issue, PCCD has dedicated \$1 million of its FY 2024 SCIP State Share funds to support statewide, regional, and local strategies to reduce the risk of firearm suicide and mitigate its impact in Pennsylvania communities. This competitive funding announcement is aligned with the following priority area and objective included in PCCD’s federally approved FY 2024 Byrne SCIP Funding Plan:

Priority Area #2: Reduce firearm suicides in Pennsylvania.

Objective 2: Support local strategies for firearm suicide prevention, intervention, and postvention

The FY 2024 Byrne SCIP Firearm Suicide Prevention, Intervention, and Postvention Initiative funding announcement requests applications from units of local government, nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher education, statewide organizations, and state government agencies wishing to implement projects and programs that directly address the objectives and proposed approaches under Priority Area 2 in PCCD's [FY 2024 Byrne SCIP Funding Plan](#).

It is highly recommended that applicants carefully review the funding announcement guidelines in full and use them as they develop an application for submission.

Significant Dates

- **June 23, 2025** - FY 2024 Byrne SCIP Suicide Prevention, Intervention, and Postvention Initiative opened in Egrants.
- **September 2, 2025** - Final date to submit questions regarding this announcement.
- **September 9, 2025** - Applications are due in PCCD's Egrants System.
- **September 23, 2025** - Notices sent for administrative rejection of applications.
- **December 10, 2025** - Applications are presented to the Commission for action.
- **January 1, 2025** - Project Start Date.

3. Funding Availability:

A total of \$1 million in federal FY 2024 Byrne SCIP State Share funds is being announced to support this initiative. PCCD expects to fund approximately 4-6 grants with budgets not to exceed the allowable maximum for each "track" over the 21-month project period:

- **Track 1: Regional/Statewide Projects**
Applicants seeking funds for larger-scale, regional projects reaching three or more counties or statewide projects can request up to \$500,000 over a 21-month project period.
- **Track 2: Local Projects**
Applicants seeking funds for smaller scale local projects can request up to \$150,000 over a 21-month project period.

Applicants may only submit one application under this funding announcement; however, nothing prohibits an organization from making direct application and also being included as a proposed subrecipient in another eligible applicant's application. (Note: Applicants must ensure all funding requested, whether directly or through another entity's application, is not duplicative and aligns with requirements identified in this funding announcement as well as PCCD's [Applicants Manual](#).)

PCCD and BJA will have approval of all final budgets. After the competitive process is completed, successful applicants should expect PCCD staff to engage with them in finalizing budgets, which could include reductions, modification, and/or addition of budgeted items. Once budgets are finalized, PCCD will submit all applications to BJA for approval. Additional changes to budgets or proposed programs may be required by BJA.

PCCD is not liable for costs incurred prior to the official start date of the award.

4. Project Dates:

Applications approved at the December 10, 2025, Commission meeting will be 21-month projects and have a start date of January 1, 2026, and an end date of September 30, 2027.

Note: Project dates are contingent upon availability and authorization of funds. There should be no expectation that funding will be extended beyond the 21-month project period.

5. Eligible Applicants:

Units of local government, nonprofit organizations (including community-based and statewide organizations), institutions of higher education, and state government agencies are eligible to apply under this solicitation.

Applicants must be in good standing with PCCD to be eligible for these funds.¹ The applicant and recipient agencies' historical success in implementing PCCD-funded programs/initiatives that met their intended goals will be considered in the review process. Applicants are not required to have a prior funding history with PCCD to be eligible.

6. Eligible Program Activities and Expenses:

Funds for the proposed project shall be used to implement activities that support Priority Area #2, Objective #2 and one or more of the proposed approaches from the PCCD FY 2024 Byrne SCIP Funding Plan identified on pages 4-5 of this funding announcement. **Only projects in support of the Proposed Approaches identified within Pennsylvania's approved FY 2024 SCIP Funding Plan are eligible for funding under this solicitation.** This includes the following:

- Supporting trauma-informed community-based programs to aid individuals, families, and communities in recovery from firearm-related suicides
- Engaging in cross-system planning for programs to address firearm suicide and enhancing local infrastructure (e.g., local suicide prevention task forces, crisis call centers, mobile crisis team response)
- Expanding or enhancing local suicide prevention, intervention, and postvention strategies, including supporting training and technical assistance programs
- Postvention programs for victims of gun violence and/or surviving families
- Providing free or reduced cost firearm storage devices
- Developing and disseminating public education campaigns focused on securing firearms
- Research examining precedents of firearm suicides and prevention/intervention strategies
- Enhancing the availability of statewide data on firearm suicide deaths and other violent deaths through support of the PA DOH's Violent Death Reporting System (PA-VDRS)
- **Other** strategies that demonstrate promise in meeting the goals of this program.

Applicants may seek funding to support implementation of one or more of these eligible activities as part of their proposal and should use the relevant section of the Egrants application to identify which activity(ies) will be supported with SCIP funding. Applicants should demonstrate in their application why they selected the strategy/ies for the proposed

¹ This may include, but is not limited to, compliance with PCCD program and fiscal reporting requirements, State and Federal funding guidelines, and acceptable risk rating as determined by PCCD.

project's target area(s) and/or population(s) and provide evidence indicating the strategy is likely to reduce violence.

Generally, grant funding can support expenses associated with direct project activities, including program implementation. All Byrne SCIP funding (regardless of application track) can be used to support the following allowable grant activities and expenses:

- Salaries and benefits for personnel (full-time or part-time), including overtime;
- Contractors/consultants;
- Supplies and equipment;
- Training and technical assistance;
- Travel/transportation expenses; and
- Other activities and expenses necessary to meet the goals and objectives of the program/initiative.

All expenses must be described in the Justification box located in the Egrants Budget Detail section.

PCCD has approval of all final budgets and may require budget adjustments.

7. Priority Consideration

Priority consideration will be given to applicants seeking funding for projects within high-need areas of the Commonwealth, as demonstrated by available data sources, including locally captured data. Examples of factors for high need include, but are not limited to, areas with rates of firearm suicide exceeding the statewide average (8.2 firearm suicide deaths per 100,000 population as of 2022), areas with populations experiencing increasing and/or higher rates of firearm suicide, and rural communities.

In addition to reviewers' scores, other factors that may be considered include geographic diversity, other applications received for similar activities in the same geographic area/region, the applicant's compliance history with fiscal and program reporting (if applicable), the applicant's historical success in implementing PCCD-funded programs/initiatives that met their intended goals (if applicable), and available funding.

8. Ineligible Program Activities and Expenses:

The following items are not eligible for federal SCIP funding and shall be administratively rejected:

- a. Prizes, rewards, entertainment, trinkets (or any type of monetary incentive)
- b. Client stipends
- c. Gift cards
- d. Food and beverage
- e. Lobbying
- f. Land acquisition
- g. Unmanned aircraft systems (UAS), including unmanned aircraft vehicles (UAV), and all accompanying accessories to support UAS or UAV
- h. Any unallowable costs listed in the [DOJ Grants Financial Guide](#).

9. Indirect Costs:

Indirect costs are limited to a de minimis indirect cost rate of 15% of modified total direct cost (MTDC) or a federally approved indirect cost rate to their proposed project. For

additional information about indirect costs, please see page 27 of PCCD's [Applicant's Manual](#).

10. Required Egrants Sections/Documents:

- a. Required Egrants Sections – All sections identified in Egrants are required. Applicants will not be able to submit their grant application in Egrants until all sections are marked as complete.

11. Scoring:

Applicants must submit the requested information for each section specified below within the defined response fields provided in Egrants. Responses should not be duplicated in multiple sections.

The following application sections in Egrants have a point value associated with them and will be scored as described below:

- a. **Executive Summary – Maximum of 5 points**

All applicants should fill out the following script and paste into the executive summary section:

The name of applicant is requesting \$_____ to [provide a single sentence or two of what you are seeking to implement with your grant funding]. These funds will be used for the following: [provide bullet points of what the funds will be used for].

- b. **Budget Detail – Maximum of 15 points**

The budget detail section should identify what grant funds will be used for and line items should be entered for each budgeted cost. Calculations should be clear and entered as the Egrants system requires in the budget detail section.

For any budgeted cost that is not self-explanatory, clearly explain the relationship between the budgeted costs and the proposed project activities/operation. Describe how the item will be used in the implementation of the proposed project. This section may include additional explanation of the computations stated in the Budget Detail section: however, computations provided within the line items should not be replicated in the justification field(s).

** Items should only be listed under the Equipment category if the cost of one item is \$10,000 or greater. Items with a cost of less than \$10,000 should be listed under Supplies and Operating Expenses.

NOTE: PCCD and BJA have final approval of all budgets and may require budget adjustments.

Grantees may only request reimbursement for expenses that are clearly articulated and approved in the Budget detail in Egrants.

Resource for Applicants: You can learn more about completing the Budget Detail section in Egrants in the 'Budget Detail Walkthrough' (PDF) available [here](#). In addition, you can also check out PCCD's YouTube channel for a [playlist](#) of video tutorials, including how to build your Egrants application and Budget Detail sections.

c. **Project Summary - Maximum of 5 points**

This section asks applicants to follow prompts to provide basic information about the proposed project, including where it will take place and what application track they are applying under.

- Please select which application track you are seeking funding for:

- Track 1: Regional/Statewide Projects**
- Track 2: Local Projects**

- Please identify the county or counties in which the proposed project will take place (Note - Track 1 applicants seeking funds for regional projects must select **at least** three counties to be eligible):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> All Counties - Statewide | <input type="checkbox"/> Dauphin | <input type="checkbox"/> Monroe |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adams | <input type="checkbox"/> Delaware | <input type="checkbox"/> Montgomery |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Allegheny | <input type="checkbox"/> Elk | <input type="checkbox"/> Montour |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Armstrong | <input type="checkbox"/> Erie | <input type="checkbox"/> Northampton |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beaver | <input type="checkbox"/> Fayette | <input type="checkbox"/> Northumberland |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bedford | <input type="checkbox"/> Forest | <input type="checkbox"/> Perry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Berks | <input type="checkbox"/> Franklin | <input type="checkbox"/> Philadelphia |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blair | <input type="checkbox"/> Fulton | <input type="checkbox"/> Pike |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bradford | <input type="checkbox"/> Greene | <input type="checkbox"/> Potter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bucks | <input type="checkbox"/> Huntingdon | <input type="checkbox"/> Schuylkill |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Butler | <input type="checkbox"/> Indiana | <input type="checkbox"/> Snyder |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cambria | <input type="checkbox"/> Jefferson | <input type="checkbox"/> Somerset |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cameron | <input type="checkbox"/> Juniata | <input type="checkbox"/> Sullivan |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carbon | <input type="checkbox"/> Lackawanna | <input type="checkbox"/> Susquehanna |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Centre | <input type="checkbox"/> Lancaster | <input type="checkbox"/> Tioga |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chester | <input type="checkbox"/> Lawrence | <input type="checkbox"/> Union |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clarion | <input type="checkbox"/> Lebanon | <input type="checkbox"/> Venango |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clearfield | <input type="checkbox"/> Lehigh | <input type="checkbox"/> Warren |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clinton | <input type="checkbox"/> Luzerne | <input type="checkbox"/> Washington |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Columbia | <input type="checkbox"/> Lycoming | <input type="checkbox"/> Wayne |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crawford | <input type="checkbox"/> MCKean | <input type="checkbox"/> Westmoreland |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cumberland | <input type="checkbox"/> Mercer | <input type="checkbox"/> Wyoming |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Mifflin | <input type="checkbox"/> York |

d. **Statement of Problem & Need – Maximum of 15 points**

This section establishes the local, regional, or statewide problem the applicant is seeking to address through its proposed project. Applicants should use this section of the Egrants application to address the following areas:

- Please describe the applicant organization/agency, including your organization's capacity and/or experience addressing this issue.
- What specific issue(s) related to firearm suicide is your community or region facing? How does your project address those needs? Applicants should provide data specific to the geographic area(s) the proposed project will serve and compare this data to other available state, local, and/or national data elements to articulate the need.²

² Note the identified areas for priority consideration in Section 1 (Overview) of this solicitation.

- Why is funding needed to support the proposed project during the project period? (*Note: Applicants are strongly encouraged to describe their financial need or the financial need of their community as part of the response in this section to justify why funding is needed to support the project. This may include information regarding the impact to the applicant agency, agency operations, or the community if grant funds are not procured.*) Applicants must disclose other funding that is currently available to support the project and/or whether other applications have been submitted requesting funding to support the project.
- **Priority Consideration Justification:** If applicable, explain how your project aligns with one or more of the priority factors for high need identified in the funding announcement. Provide supporting data or references where possible.

e. **Target Area(s) & Population(s) – Maximum 15 points**

This section identifies the target area(s) and population(s) that will be served by the proposed program.

- Identify where activities will primarily take place, and why those locations/geographic areas were chosen for the proposed project.
 - Include any information that is relevant to establishing the target area(s), such as findings from community surveys, strategic planning efforts, community action plans, etc.
 - If applying as a Track 2 Local Project, please describe the specific city/town and/or neighborhood(s) where project activities will take place. You can also provide this information using ZIP codes, if desired.
- Identify and describe the project’s target population(s). Who will benefit from the proposed project? How will the applicant ensure that services, resources, and/or programming effectively reaches and engages individuals in the greatest needs of services?
- Provide an estimate of the number of individuals who would be reached and/or served by the project.

f. **Project Description & Proposed Activities – Maximum of 35 points**

This section establishes that the applicant has reviewed Priority Area #2, Objective #2, and the Proposed Approaches and has established a plan for project implementation. Please address the following items as you describe the project in this section:

Alignment with Eligible Activities: Identify the specific proposed approach(es) you are requesting SCIP funds to support using the menu of program activities provided in Egrants (*please select all that apply*):

- Community-based postvention or trauma recovery programs (such as LOSS Teams or similar models)
- Cross-system planning, coordination, and/or enhancement
- Firearm suicide prevention/intervention programming
- Public awareness/outreach/education campaigns
- Firearm storage device purchase/distribution
- Research or data enhancement efforts
- Technical assistance and training
- OTHER eligible activities

Project Design & Narrative:

- Describe your proposed project's goals, objectives, deliverables, and expected outcomes, including how the proposed project will positively impact Pennsylvania's goal of reducing firearm suicides.
- How is the proposed program/initiative informed by best practices or evidence-based/evidence-informed models for firearm suicide prevention, intervention, and/or postvention? Please cite sources where applicable.
- Provide a detailed overview of the proposed project's design and implementation plan. This description should include how your organization has engaged, or plans to engage, community members, survivors, and other impacted stakeholders in developing and/or implementing this initiative.
- Describe who will perform the work necessary to accomplish the proposed project's key deliverables, including what actions are proposed to accomplish these activities, timeframes for completing each activity, and any other details necessary to clearly establish how this project will be implemented using grant funds.
- Describe other resources, including collaborations and partnerships, that are needed for successful implementation of the project. *Note: This should include identifying any project partners who will be subcontracted or subgranted, including the role to be performed by each subcontractor/subgrantee (if applicable).*
- If applicable, for new positions that will be created and hired if a grant is awarded, please describe the process and criteria for recruiting, selecting, hiring, and onboarding those staff/consultants.
- If seeking funding for training or technical assistance, please specify who will be trained and what curriculum will be used.
- If seeking funding for firearm suicide prevention awareness campaigns, including safe firearm storage programs, please describe the key messages your initiative will promote and why they are relevant to the population(s) and area(s) you will try to reach.
- **Current/Previous PCCD Grantees:** If applicable, entities that have previously received PCCD funding to support programs/activities related to behavioral health, crisis response, or gun violence intervention must articulate the impact of those initiatives and distinguish how proposed activities would differ from (or build upon/expand) those currently/previously funded projects.

g. **Performance Measures, Impact, and Outcomes – Maximum of 10 points**

In this section, please describe how the outcomes of the proposed project will be measured (i.e., short-term and long-term outcomes, data collection, and analysis, etc.).

- **Measuring Impact:** Describe the mechanism or tool(s) that will be used to collect data for purposes of evaluating program outcomes (ex. pre/post testing, surveys, participation records, court records, efficiency evaluations, etc.). This should include a description of the applicant's plan to develop performance measures, as required under this solicitation (see "Section 13 -

Performance Measures” on page 12 of the written funding announcement for additional information about these requirements).

- **Monitoring Progress:** What steps will you take to make sure the project stays on track and meets its goals?

12. Required Attachments:

The following documents must be attached in the 'Required Attachments' section in Egrants:

- Resumes/CVs of key personnel.
- Letters of support/commitment or similar documentation (i.e., MOUs) for all named project partners (including any proposed subrecipients).

13. Performance Measures:

Under this funding announcement, successful applicants are required to comply with all reporting, data collection and evaluation requirements, as prescribed by PCCD and federal or state guidelines.

Successful applicants are required to submit quarterly progress reports to PCCD via the Egrants system. Subgrant recipients under this funding announcement will be required to accept and report on the performance measures selected by the staff of the PCCD Office of Justice Programs. PCCD program staff will work with successful applicants to develop additional performance measures prior to award, if needed.

Successful applicants will also be required to report on the [SCIP Programmatic measures](#) through the [BJA Performance Measurement Tool \(PMT\)](#) at the end of each calendar quarter. Within 20 days of the end of each calendar quarter, you will be required to access the PMT, enter the required performance measurement information and submit the report for review and approval. The PMT only pertains to BJA SCIP data collection requirements. Additional information is available through BJA's [Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program \(SCIP\) Performance Measures and Reporting Training](#).

Finally, the applicant must be willing to fully cooperate with PCCD and any identified research/evaluation partners with program-related assessments or evaluation efforts, including the collection and/or reporting of additional information or data needed to determine project-specific and/or program-wide performance and outcomes.

14. Competitive Bidding/Sole Source Procurement:

All procurement transactions shall be conducted in a manner that provides open and free competition. Grant recipients must follow the Procurement Standards section in PCCD's [Applicant's Manual](#).

Procurements by noncompetitive proposal are strongly discouraged and must demonstrate an economic benefit or lack of alternate resources to be justified. If a request is made, the prospective applicant must identify the request as a procurement by noncompetitive proposal and provide a substantial justification for the request within their funding request (See PCCD's [Applicant's Manual](#) for Procurement by Noncompetitive Proposal Approval Procedure).

15. Administrative Requirements:

- a. Egrants Agency and User Registration:
Prior to submitting a grant application, both the applicant agency and at least two users from the applicant agency must be registered in Egrants. Applicants are strongly advised to allow adequate time to work on application documents in Egrants prior to the submission deadline. Please go to the [Getting Started in Egrants](#) page on PCCD's website for further information.
- b. Fiscal Accountability:
See the [Fiscal Accountability](#) page on PCCD's website for further information.
- c. Time and Effort Reporting:
See the [Time and Effort Reports](#) page on PCCD's website for further information.
- d. Grant Payments:
 - Payments will not be released until all applicable special conditions on the grant award have been satisfied.
 - All grantees are required, at a minimum, to submit quarterly fiscal reports. PCCD will only make payments to reimburse actual expenditures reported on the fiscal reports. An agency experiencing cash flow problems may submit fiscal reports monthly and PCCD will reimburse reported expenditures. Non-submission or late submission of the required reports will result in payment delays.
 - ACH Payments:
 - All payments to grant recipients will be made through ACH.
 - Either before or at the time an application is submitted to PCCD, the applicant agency must [register as a Non-Procurement Vendor](#) with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- e. Federal Transparency Act Certification:
This section is required for both state and federal funding streams. See the [Federal Applicants](#) page on PCCD's website for further information.
- f. Reporting Requirements:
 - Programmatic reports are due quarterly.
 - Fiscal reports are due quarterly.
 - Late submission of programmatic and fiscal reports may delay payments.
 - All reports must be submitted through the Egrants system.
- g. UCR Reporting:
Every criminal justice entity which is required to submit Uniform Crime Report (UCR) data and is participating in this project must submit UCR data to the Pennsylvania State Police. If a required entity is not submitting UCR data, they may be ineligible for funding.

16. PCCD Contact Information and Resources:

- a. Staff Contacts:
Staff are only able to clarify the funding announcement and are not able to answer any questions about how a potential applicant should respond to any particular section. Questions regarding this funding announcement should be directed as follows:
 - E-mail your funding announcement questions to RA-PCCD-OCJSI@pa.gov with "SCIP Firearm Suicide Prevention, Intervention, and Postvention Initiative" in the subject line.
 - Questions must be received by close of business on September 2, 2025.

- All questions and answers will be posted under this funding announcement title on the [Active Funding Announcements](#) page of the PCCD website.
- b. Egrants Funding Announcement:
Log into the Egrants system and search under the “Funding Announcement” tab for SCIP Firearm Suicide Pre/Inter/Postvention.
- c. PCCD Guidelines and Documents:
Applicants should be familiar with the [Applicant’s Manual](#), grant application and administrative guides, and other documents common to PCCD’s grant application process, all of which are available on the [Funding and Grants Process](#) page of the PCCD website.
- d. Egrants Technical Questions:
For any technical or system questions, contact and ask for the Egrants Help Desk at (717) 787-5887 or (800) 692-7292, or by emailing RA-eGrantsSupport@pa.gov.
- e. PCCD Webmaster:
Please address any technical problems you may have with the website or online forms to the [PCCD Web Master](#).
- f. Reporting Potential Fraud, Waste and Abuse:
Information about waste, fraud, abuse, conflict of interest, bribery, gratuity, or other similar misconduct, or whistleblower reprisal relating to a PCCD employee, program, contract or grant, may be reported to the PCCD Fraud Hotline at (717) 525-5031. For more information, visit the [Reporting Fraud, Waste and Abuse](#) page on PCCD’s website.

17. Submission Information:

The application must be entered into Egrants **no later than Tuesday, September 9, 2025, by 11:59 PM.**

The grant application must be electronically signed within Egrants. To electronically sign the application, at least one person from your organization must have the E-signature role in Egrants. Please use the link below to access instructions which explain how to request the E-signature role.

[E-signature Access Request Instructions](#)

[E-signature Access Request Form](#) (This must be attached to your access request in Egrants)

Please note that you cannot request the e-signature role on behalf of someone else.

18. Additional Applicant Resources:

- a. **Data Resources:** PCCD encourages applicants to reference the following data tools and datasets as they develop their Statement of Problem and other required sections:
 - [Mapping Injury, Overdose, and Violence Dashboard](#) (CDC) – An interactive tool that includes data on firearm suicide by State, County, or Census Tract.
 - [Firearm Suicide](#) (CeaseFirePA) – Provides data on firearm suicide in Pennsylvania.
 - [Suicide Statistics](#) (Prevent Suicide PA) – Data and statistics on suicide in Pennsylvania and Nationally.

- [Justice Data Snapshots](#) (*Justice Reinvestment Initiative*) – Provides data snapshots for all 50 states, including Pennsylvania, across a wide range of public safety and justice-related indicators, including suicide.
- [Violence Dashboard](#) (*PA Department of Health*) – An interactive tool designed to display aggregated statistics for hospital discharge reasons and causes of death in Pennsylvania.
- [Suicide Statistics and Data](#) (*SAMHSA*) – Includes statistics as well as links to other data resources on suicides.

b. **Informational Webinar for Applicants:** In addition, interested applicants are invited to register for a virtual webinar on this funding announcement. During this webinar, PCCD staff will provide an overview of the SCIP Initiative, including the competitive solicitation requirements and application process. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions and receive instructions on accessing the application, and other application tips. Other topics may include, but are not limited to, eligibility criteria, funding goals and priorities, and an overview of other programmatic and fiscal requirements.

Webinar for Interested SCIP Applicants

Monday, July 21, 2025, at 11:00am

Webinar Registration Form:

<http://bit.ly/44tbnrI>

*****Note:** Webinar recordings and any related materials will be posted on [PCCD's Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program \(SCIP\)](#) webpage for reference.