

National Criminal History Improvement Program (NCHIP)

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PROGRAM Information

Detailed description of the program for which funding is requested:	<p>National Criminal History Improvement Program (NCHIP) grants are discretionary grants awarded by the U.S. Department of Justice's Bureau of Justice Statistics. NCHIP is used to enhance the quality and completeness of the nation's criminal history record systems by providing financial and technical assistance to states for the establishment or improvement of computerized criminal history record systems.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• providing direct financial and technical assistance to states to improve their criminal records systems and other related systems in an effort to support background checks;• ensuring that infrastructure is developed to connect each state records systems to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) records systems and, in turn, to connect each state's background check databases to one another;• providing the training and technical assistance needed to insure that records systems are developed and managed to conform to FBI standards, as well as the most appropriate technologies and that states adhere to the highest standards of practice with respect to privacy and confidentiality; and• assessing and measuring through systematic evaluation and standardized performance measurement and statistics, progress made implementing improvements in state and national records holdings and background check systems. <p>NCHIP is a discretionary grant. Illinois's proposed application is judged against all other submissions and funds are awarded based on the availability of funds and the strength of the program proposed.</p>
If this program already has federal authorization, please list the public law number and section in known.	PL 111-117 * 3135
If this is an existing federal program, what statewide programs are supported by this funding? How do these programs benefit Illinois residents?	Funding is dependent on what is proposed in the application for that year's grant. In 2010, a portion of the funding was awarded to the Illinois State Police. The State Police will implement a web service interface which will allow Circuit Clerks to inquire and update arrest information within their jurisdiction for the purposes of completing information

	<p>required to the disposition reporting process and development.</p> <p>This program will improve public safety by providing improved accessibility, timeliness and accuracy of disposition and criminal status information maintained by the Clerk's Office by building an application with real-time updating capabilities and a vehicle to remit the updated dispositions to CHRI to be used by law enforcement.</p>						
<p>Do any of these state programs target or benefit a specific district in Illinois?</p>	<p>A portion of the 2010 funding went to the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County (CCC). These funds will be used to support the development of an application to process error rejects and provide a means by which errors are corrected by either a batch run of system edits or thru research and investigation by CCC staff, providing them with an interface to make corrections to records.</p>						
<p>Please provide a brief history of previous federal funding for this program including the fiscal year and amount.</p>	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="570 646 941 682">Fiscal Year</th> <th data-bbox="941 646 1547 682">Award</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="570 682 941 718">2010</td> <td data-bbox="941 682 1547 718">\$ 324,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="570 718 941 793">2009</td> <td data-bbox="941 718 1547 793">\$ 266,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Fiscal Year	Award	2010	\$ 324,000	2009	\$ 266,000
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