

Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority

Illinois Partnerships to Reduce Violent Crime Request For Proposals (RFP)

April 12th Bidder's Conference Call

1. Q: Will overtime for officers be an allowable expense?

A: This RFP is for a planning period and therefore not an appropriate expense. Allowable expenses for implementation have not been finalized yet.

2. Q: Will additional resources for offenders be an allowable expense.

A: This RFP is for a planning period and therefore not an appropriate expense. Allowable expenses for implementation have not been finalized yet.

3. Q: Can we include proposed expenses beyond those listed on page 10?

A: Yes, and those proposed expenses will be evaluated by the review team and by the Federal and State Grants Unit for allowability. If the applicant is recommended for funding, the proposal will be presented to the Authority's Budget Committee.

4. Q: Our jurisdiction received FFY 14 Byrne JAG Funds directly from DOJ. Are we still eligible for this application?

A: Yes, you are still eligible.

5. Q: The RFP includes "travel within Illinois to attend regional networking and information sharing events". Do you know how many meetings and their location(s)?

A: Please include up to four meetings in Chicago or Springfield, whichever is furthest from you. We will finalize the number of location before the budgets are finalized.

6. Q: It is hard to do long term planning without knowing what the implementation budget and allowable costs will be.

A: We understand this challenge but recommend that applicants focus on the planning process and it will help sites determine needs.

7. Q: How many grantees does the Authority expect to fund?

A: The number of grantees will be determined by the quality and budgets of the applications received.

8. Q: What do we put for number 28, primary area for performance address?

A: The primary area of performance should be either the program agency's office or the location where a majority of the grant activity takes place. A street address does not need to be provided, but a city, state, and nine digit zip code is required.

9. Q: Is there a page limit?

A: No, since we did not put a page limit in the RFP we cannot provide one.

10. Q: Can you tell us the grant amount for the training and implementation phases?

A: The amounts of the training and implementation phases of the initiative will be determined at a later date, based on the trainings and implementation costs needed.

11: Q: Will there be a required match?

A: See RFP Addendum #1

12: Q: We are currently implementing aspects of focused deterrence. Where can we include that information but also convey that we need planning to fully implement it in a sustainable manner?

A: Please include current strategies in program narrative. There are several places that ask about current and/or past initiatives.

13: Q: Can we include MNG or indirect costs?

A: Indirect costs are established by the Federal Government and evidenced by an indirect cost rate letter. A grantee can budget for the percentage designated in this letter and must submit a copy of this letter. A de minimus rate of 10% may be used if the grantee has NEVER had a federally approved indirect cost rate agreement. The indirect cost rate is computed on the Modified Total Direct Costs (MTDC), salaries and wages including benefits, and salaries and wages (excluding fringe benefits. MTDC includes all direct salaries and wages, applicable fringe benefits, materials and supplies, services, travel, and subawards up to the first \$25,000 of each subaward (regardless of the period of performance of the subawards under the award). MTDC excludes equipment, capital expenditures, charges for patient care, rental costs, tuition remission, scholarships and fellowships, participant support costs, and the portion of each subaward in excess of \$25,000. Other items may only be excluded when necessary

14: Rockford Police Department offered their assistance with any jurisdiction interested in becoming NIBRS conformant and/or in receiving procedural justice training.