

COPS Anti-Methamphetamine Program – FY 2017 Overview

The COPS Office is pleased to announce the awarding of a total of \$5,032,697 FY 2017 funding through the COPS Anti-Methamphetamine Program (CAMP) to the states of California, Iowa, Kentucky, New York, North Carolina, and Virginia.

The COPS Anti-Methamphetamine Program (CAMP) is a competitive grant program designed to advance public safety by providing funds to support the investigation of illicit activities related to the manufacture and distribution of methamphetamine. CAMP provides two years of grant funding directly to state law enforcement agencies in states with high seizures of precursor chemicals, finished methamphetamine, laboratories, and laboratory dump seizures for the purpose of locating and investigating illicit activities, including precursor diversion, laboratories, and methamphetamine traffickers. Since 1998, the COPS Office has invested more than \$500 million nationwide to combat the spread of methamphetamine.

The COPS Office encourages CAMP grantee states to develop partnerships with other agencies invested in the fight against methamphetamine, such as the Environmental Protection Agency, fire departments, local businesses, mental health organizations, child protection services, and other local law enforcement entities. The COPS Office also encourages data collection and information-sharing efforts aimed at better identifying and responding to the needs of drug-endangered children.

Eligible CAMP applications underwent a comprehensive review process by external methamphetamine subject matter expert (SME) peer reviewers to evaluate key factors such as the agencies' current and proposed methamphetamine investigative activities, their participation in related task forces, the strength of their collaboration with other agencies, and their HIDTA (High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area) Threat Assessment. In addition, the COPS Office evaluated three years of each state's seizure data (seizures of precursor chemicals, finished methamphetamine, methamphetamine laboratories, and laboratory dump seizures) in making the final funding decisions.

The COPS Office looks forward to working with the FY 2017 CAMP grantees to support their efforts in fighting methamphetamine within their states.