2020 Community Policing Development Program

Community Policing Development (CPD) funds are used to develop the capacity of law enforcement to implement community policing strategies by providing guidance on promising practices through the development and testing of innovative strategies; building knowledge about effective practices and outcomes; and supporting new, creative approaches to preventing crime and promoting safe communities. The 2020 CPD program will fund projects that develop knowledge, increase awareness of effective community policing strategies, increase the skills and abilities of law enforcement and community partners, increase the number of law enforcement agencies and relevant stakeholders using proven community policing practices, and institutionalize community policing practice in routine business.

**WHEN:** Deadline for grant application is March 31, 2020 at 7:59 p.m. EDT.

Start EARLY. This is more than a one-day process.

**WHERE:**

**HOW:** Online only. No hard copies sent by U.S. Mail or electronic copies sent via email.

**COPS Office Community Policing Development Topics**

The 2020 CPD program will fund projects related to the following topic areas:

- Law Enforcement Injury Prevention and Rehabilitation Program Toolkit
- Recruiting the Next Generation of Officers and Deputies
- Promising Practices in Law Enforcement Victim Support
- Rural Law Enforcement Training Center
- Managing High-Risk Law Enforcement Vehicular Pursuits
- Implementing Successful Faith-Based Partnerships
- Police Academy Innovations
- Public Safety Implications of Driving Automation Systems for Motor Vehicles
- Open Category
- Invitational Applications

Detailed descriptions of each of these topics are available in the application guide.
Funding Provisions

Provisions include the following:

- CPD is open to all public governmental agencies, federally recognized Indian tribes, for-profit and nonprofit institutions, institutions of higher education, community groups, and faith-based organizations. Proposals should be responsive to the topic selected, significantly advance the field of community policing, and demonstrate an understanding of community policing as it pertains to the application topic. Initiatives that primarily or solely benefit one or a limited number of law enforcement agencies or other entities will not be considered for funding. Applicants must identify specific program goals that will be directly accomplished if awarded CPD funding.

- There is approximately $5.6 million in funding available through the FY 2020 CPD program. Each award is two years (24 months) in length. There is no local match.

How to Apply

Applicants are first required to register via www.grants.gov and complete an SF-424. After submitting the SF-424, applicants will receive an email with instructions on completing the second part of the CPD application through the COPS Office Online Application System. To complete the CPD application, please visit the COPS Office website at www.cops.usdoj.gov and click on the “Account Access” tab in the upper right-hand corner. Applicants should then enter their username and password and select “Applications” from the Agency Portal Menu.

Complete application packages for the FY 2020 CPD solicitation are due by March 31, 2020, at 7:59 p.m. EDT. Before submitting your application, please review the FY 2020 Community Policing Development (CPD) Application Guide. Applications in hard or electronic format sent via email or U.S. Mail will not be accepted.

Contact the COPS Office

For more information about COPS Office programs and resources, please call the COPS Office Response Center at 800-421-6770 or visit the COPS Office website at www.cops.usdoj.gov.