2020 Community Policing Development Microgrants Program

**Community Policing Development (CPD) Microgrant** funds are used to develop the capacity of law enforcement to implement community policing strategies by providing funding to local, state, and tribal law enforcement agencies. The 2020 CPD Microgrants 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 11, 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 Microgrant Subtopics**

Applicants are invited to propose demonstration or pilot projects to be implemented in their agency that offer creative ideas to advance crime fighting, community engagement, problem solving, or organizational changes to support community policing in one of the following areas:

- Hate Crimes
- Human Trafficking
- Meeting Rural Law Enforcement Challenges
- Officer Safety and Wellness
- Recruitment, Hiring, and Retention
- School Safety
- Staffing and Allocation Studies
- Victim-Centered Approaches
- Violent Crime
- Youth Engagement

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

Provisions include the following:

- The Microgrant solicitation is open to all local, state, and tribal law enforcement agencies. Proposals should be responsive to the subtopic selected, significantly advance the field of community policing, and demonstrate an understanding of community policing as it pertains to the application topic. Applicants must identify specific program goals that will be directly accomplished if awarded CPD Microgrant funding.

- There is approximately $2.3 million in funding available through the FY 2020 CPD Microgrant program. Each award or cooperative agreement is one year (12 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 11, 2020, at 7:59 p.m. EDT. Before submitting your application, please review the FY 2020 Community Policing Development (CPD) Microgrants 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.