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# FY 2023 Microgrants Program Community Policing Development

Microgrants – Community Policing Development (CPD) funds are used to develop the capacity of law enforcement to implement community policing strategies by providing funding to state, local, tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies. When properly applied, community policing improves the identification and prioritization of community problems; builds trust and relationships between law enforcement and the communities they serve; and enables an agency to build a culture toward accountability, transparency, open communication, and mutual trust.

 WHEN: Deadline for first part of application in Grants.gov is May 1, 2023, at 4:59 p.m. ET. Deadline for completed application in JustGrants is May 8, 2023, at 4:59 p.m. ET.

**Start EARLY.** The process takes more than one day.

- WHERE: 1. Register online with <u>www.sam.gov</u> to obtain a Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) and <u>www.grants.gov</u> to complete the Grants.gov application package.
  - Complete the application in the <u>JustGrants Justice</u> <u>Grants System</u>.
- **HOW:** Online only. No hard copies sent by U.S. Mail or electronic copies sent via email.

## FY23 Microgrants CPD 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:

- Officer Recruitment, Retention, and Workforce Diversification
- Underserved Populations
- Building Trust and Legitimacy with the Community
- Hate Crimes and Domestic Extremism
- Community Violence Intervention

Detailed descriptions of each of these topics are available in the solicitation guide. All awards are subject to the availability of appropriated funds and additional requirements that may be imposed by law.

The COPS Office is committed to advancing work that promotes civil rights and racial equity, increases access to justice, supports crime victims and individuals impacted by the justice system, strengthens community safety and protects the public from crime and evolving threats, and builds trust between law enforcement and the community.

#### **Funding Provisions**

Provisions include the following:

- The Microgrants CPD solicitation is open to all local, state, tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies. Applications 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. Agencies are encouraged to partner with institutions of higher education, community groups, other criminal justice stakeholders, and the general public on project activities. Applicants must identify specific program goals that will be directly accomplished if awarded Microgrants CPD funding.
- There is approximately \$5,880,000 in funding available through the FY 2023 Microgrants CPD program. Each award is one year (12 months) in length. There is no local match.

#### **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 https://cops.usdoj.gov.

### How to Apply

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Complete application packages for the FY 2023 Microgrants CPD solicitation are due by **May 8, 2023**, at 4:59 p.m. ET. Before submitting your application, please review the *FY 2023 Community Policing Development Microgrants (CPD) Solicitation Guide*. Applications in hard or electronic format sent via email or U.S. Mail will not be accepted.

Please note: The COPS Office requires two authorized representatives (Law Enforcement Executive and Government Executive) for its grant applications. Confirm your two authorized representatives complete the steps to create their accounts. If they do not, the delay may prevent timely submission of your application.

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