



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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Legislation Text

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PROPOSED GRANT AWARD

Department: Justice Advisory Council

Grantee: Justice Advisory Council

Grantor: Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS) - Office of Firearm Violence Prevention (OFVP)

Request: Authorization to accept grant

Purpose: To reduce firearm violence through funding a diverse array of service providers focused on supporting residents at high risk of experiencing gun violence as either a victim or perpetrator in communities with the highest rates of shooting incidents and shooting-related homicides.

Grant Amount: \$20,002,354.00

Grant Period: 7/1/2023 - 6/30/2024

Fiscal Impact: None

Accounts: 11284.1205.20199

Concurrences:

The Budget Department has received all requisite documents and determined the fiscal impact on Cook County, if any

Summary: In June and July of 2022, the JAC sought board approval for 34 awardees representing 68 organizations and \$75 million of awards as recipients of ARPA Initiative NT897: Gun Violence Prevention and Reduction Grants. Having received 190 applications with requests totaling roughly \$500,000,000 the JAC committed to identifying additional funding for other highly scored applicants who were not awarded funding through this Cook County ARPA Initiative. At this time, IDHS OFVP reviewed and endorsed the JAC's application review process for ARPA Initiative NT897 and has awarded the JAC \$25,002,942 to support funding an additional 39 Cook County Gun Violence Prevention and Reduction applicants, representing 74 organizations. This brings the total number of JAC Gun Violence Prevention and Reduction Grant awardees to 73 applicants, representing 193 organizations.

The first award from IDHS OFVP was approved by the Cook County Board of Commissioners via Resolution 23-767 and totaled \$5,000,588 for an award period of 02/01/2023 - 06/30/2023 to align with the state fiscal year. This grant award is for the remainder of the IDHS-OFVP funds and will be distributed beginning on 07/01/2023 for the State of Illinois's fiscal year 2024 and will total \$20,002,354.

These awards will be made to applicants providing street outreach intervention, case management and victim services in the geographic areas defined as communities most impacted by gun violence in the Reimagine Public Safety Act (RPSA) (430 ILCS 69). The RPSA calls for a comprehensive approach to reducing firearm violence through targeted, integrated behavioral health services and economic opportunities in communities with the greatest concentration of firearm victims. As part of this approach, the Office of Firearm Violence Prevention (OFVP) will enter into a uniform grant agreement with Cook County to fund a diverse array of service providers focused on supporting residents at high risk of

experiencing gun violence as either a victim or perpetrator in communities with the highest rates of shooting incidents and shooting-related homicides. Services include Victim Services, Case Management, and Street Outreach and Intervention.