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12 New Sites Join the Violent **Crime Reduction Program**



Congratulations to our 12 new sites for the FY2024 Small, Rural Department Violent Crime Reduction Grant! These 12 were selected from 73 applicants and now join the 37 existing grant sites working with Justice & Security Strategies (JSS) to reduce violent crime.

A common question we hear from new grantees is what is the role of JSS as the training and technical assistance (TTA) provider for this

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grant? The simple answer is that we have been selected by BJA to provide you with customized training, strategies, and advice to help you reduce violent crime in your community.

Our team of experts has practical expertise in evidence-based crime reduction methods, crime analysis, hot spots policing, focused deterrence, and how to effectively use a wide variety of technologies.

Currently, we are helping grantees with using gunshot detection systems, digital extraction forensic technology, and automated license plate readers to reduce crime and violence. We are also working with our sites to implement hotspot policing strategies. Additionally, we are helping to introduce an alternative mental health and drug-related response plan. Whether you are purchasing

THE 12 SITES

- City of Long Beach, NY
- Town of Frederick, CO
- City of Jacksonville, AL
- Town of Fairmont, NC
- City of Natchitoches, LA
- Town of Ellicottville, NY
- Sauk County, WI
- Village of Lakemore, OH
- Pueblo of Isleta, NM
- Town of Pembroke, NC
- **Tuttle Police** Department, OK
- City of Passaic, NJ

equipment or hiring staff, it is just the beginning of the process. The real work is using these resources to make your community safer.

A key foundation of this grant program is problem-oriented policing, using the SARA model (Scanning, Analysis, Response, and Assessment) to address crime issues. Our JSS team is experienced with this model and will assist you through each step of the process. We recently developed a checklist to help you with each step.

In the near future, JSS team members will contact you for an introductory Zoom meeting. We look forward to meeting throughout the grant period to help you succeed and achieve crime reduction goals.



