



### Notice of Funding Availability

2018 Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) Violent Gang and Gun Crime Reduction Program

This Notice of Funding Availability is provided by the Children's Initiative for the 2018 Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) Violent Gang and Gun Crime Reduction Program with the United States Attorney's Office, Northern District of California. PSN is an essential source of grant funding for state and local law enforcement agencies charged with developing innovative multi-disciplinary, multi-agency approaches to addressing violent crime through the cultivation of collaborative relationships. PSN funds will be used to implement Northern California's PSN in the Targeted Enforcement Area (TEA) of San Francisco, with special attention given to the Tenderloin neighborhood.

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Opportunity Category:	Competitive
Posting Date:	September 21, 2020
Closing Date:	<b>5:00 PM October 21, 2020</b>
Funding Instrument:	Sub-grant Agreement
Funding Categories:	Intervention, Outreach, Prevention, and Reentry
Estimated Total Program Funding:	\$588,664
Cost Sharing or Matching	No
Term of Funding:	October 1, 2019 – September 30, 2022

### **Description:**

The Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) Violent Gang and Gun Crime Reduction Program is administered by the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), through the Children's Initiative. The Children's Initiative is the assigned Fiscal Agent for the USAO Northern District of California for this PSN funding. As such, the Children's Initiative is responsible for providing coordinated and transparent management of various programmatic and all financial components of the award.

### **Focused Program Areas:**

The Children's Initiative and the USAO Northern District of California have vetted purpose areas for the 2018 PSN application. Focused program purpose areas and mandates for the 2018 funding cycle have been limited to:

1. **Intervention/Prevention/Outreach/Reentry:** Prevention, outreach, reentry and engagement programs and strategies to break the cycle of crime in the Tenderloin district, with particular attention to keeping youth from becoming involved in gangs and crime as well as programs and strategies focused on the reduction of violent crime and open-air drug dealing in the Tenderloin district. Improving and enhancing interface with the community, non-profit organizations (NGO's) serving the Tenderloin population to help improve safety.

### **Supplanting:**

Grant funds are intended to add to, augment, or supplement, **not replace**, resources already committed to the drug and violent crime control effort.

### **Application Procedure:**

Applicants may visit the Children's Initiative website at <https://www.thechildrensinitiative.org/grants> or contact Jessica Brown at 858-256-6569 or at [jbrown@theci.org](mailto:jbrown@theci.org) to obtain a copy of the Request for Proposal (RFP). All applications are due no later than 5:00 PM October 21, 2020 and shall be submitted in accordance with the procedures outlined within the Request for Proposal (RFP).

### **Award Selection Procedure:**

Upon receipt of the sub-grant applications, the Children's Initiative will determine the quality and validity of each application. Complete applications are then forwarded to Northern California's PSN Task Force for review. Northern California's PSN Task Force will review, rate, and rank each responsive application received based on the following criteria:

1. Statement of the Problem and Understanding of the PSN Program Strategy
2. Program Design and Implementation
3. Capabilities/Competencies
4. Plan for Collecting Required Data
5. Budget and Detailed Budget Narrative

The PSN Selection Committee will submit their recommendations through to the Children's Initiative for ratification. The final selections will be forwarded to the USAO Northern District of California. A decision to deny funding may not be appealed, but does not prohibit resubmission of a similar proposal in a subsequent year of funding.

Once the allocation of funding has been made to all selected sub-grantees, each recipient will receive an award letter indicating their final award amount. All applicants will be notified, in writing, of their rating and funding decision. This notification will be made within thirty (30) days of the PSN Selection Committee's meeting to select applicants for the Northern District of California's PSN program for Fiscal Year (FY) 18.

### **Reporting Requirements:**

As indicated in the Request for Proposal (RFP) by the Children's Initiative, all selected applicants (sub-grantees) shall be required to submit quarterly financial and programmatic reports.

### **Termination:**

The Children's Initiative shall have the right to terminate this Notice of Funding Availability. The terms of this Notice are contingent upon federal appropriations and authorizations being made by the Congress of the United States. If sufficient appropriations and authorizations are not formalized, this Notice of Funding Availability shall terminate, with notice being given by the Children's Initiative to the applicant. The Children's Initiative is not committed to reimburse grant funding to sub-grantees until the funds are programmed, budgeted, and approved.