

Project Abstract



Part 1: Please identify the applicant point of contact (POC)

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Part 2: Please identify the application

| Application Information | |
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| Solicitation Name | OJJDP FY 2016 Comprehensive Antigang Strategies and Programs |
| Project Title | Tacoma Gang Reduction Project |
| Proposed Start Date | 10/01/2016 |
| Proposed End Date | 09/30/2018 |
| Funding Amount Requested | \$300,000.00 |

Part 3: Please identify the project location and applicant type

| Project Location and Applicant Type | |
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| Project Location (City, State) | Tacoma, WA |
| Applicant Type (Tribal Nation, State, County, City, Nonprofit, Other) | City |



Part 4: Please provide a project abstract

Enter additional project abstract information. Unless otherwise specified in the solicitation, this information includes:

- Brief description of the problem to be addressed and target area and population
- Project goals and objectives
- Brief statement of project strategy or overall program
- Description of any significant partnerships
- Anticipated outcomes and major deliverables

Text should be single spaced; do not exceed 400 words.

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Problem Overview: As one of the three largest cities in Washington, Tacoma's rate of violent crime remains highest per-capita with youth representing nearly 50% of the violent crime offenders in Tacoma. While nationally crime is trending down, Tacoma continues to have a violence problem but lacks the resources to effectively combat it.

Purpose: Reduce gang activity in Tacoma, Washington, through continued implementation the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention's (OJJDP) Comprehensive Gang Model.

Population: Youth, ages 10-24, at risk of, or gang-involved in project focus neighborhoods identified in assessment.

Using data from the 2011 Tacoma Gang Assessment along with updated annual crime data, Executive Steering Committee input and National Gang Center technical assistance, the Project has identified the following:

Goal #1: Implement the Comprehensive Gang Model.

Objective: Continue reducing gang crime in the focus neighborhoods by 25% by 2018.

Activities: (1) Convene Multi-disciplinary Intervention Team to recruit and case-manage 75 gang-involved youth (2) Provide 10 annual community gang awareness trainings (3) Support Special Emphasis Team law enforcement missions (4) Implement targeted prevention/support programs.

Goal #2: Create safer Tacoma environments by reducing youth/gang member access to and involvement in gun possession and crime.

Objective: Reduce gang/youth use of illegal weapons through targeted education and partnership with the Tacoma Police Department.

Activities: (1) Continue annual city-wide Gun SafeT Awareness campaign (2) Develop and implement a strategy to reduce Drive-By shootings.

Goal #3: Reduce risk and improve success for Tacoma middle school youth.

Objective: Reduce violent incidents in targeted middle schools by 25% year-end 2018.

Activities: (1) Provide prevention/intervention services to 300 youth at targeted middle schools to reduce risk factors. (2) Expand Positive Behavior Intervention Supports.

Goal #4: Implement systems change to reduce barriers and improve information sharing and collaboration efforts of key stakeholders in Tacoma.

Objective: Improve data collection and service delivery systems by implementing training and quality control measures for law enforcement, schools, community agencies and local government.

Activities: (1) Review key system databases for future assessment of project and accurate evaluation (2) Update 2011 Tacoma Gang Assessment.

Measurement System: In addition to the prescribed OJJDP performance measures, data on services provided by community partners, youth client outcomes, number of program policies changed and organizations reporting improvements in operations will be collected by the project. Data will be analyzed and findings will be shared with the Executive Steering Committee, Internal Strategic Team, Community Steering Committee, OJJDP and key stakeholders.



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On behalf of the applicant named above, I consent to the information in the project abstract above (including contact information) being made public, at the discretion of OJP consistent with applicable policies. I understand that this consent is only necessary to the extent that my application is unfunded; information submitted in an application that is funded (including this abstract) is always releasable to the public consistent with FOIA rules. I certify that I have the authority to provide this consent.

| Authorized Official (AO) Consent | |
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