


STATE OF ILLINOIS
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY
VIOLENCE REDUCTION GRANT
PSCRB PRESENTATION

JANUARY 5, 2023

Bloomington Police Department

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BACKGROUND

- The State of Illinois Legislature appropriated to the Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity Fiscal Year '23 monies from the General Revenue to units of local government, violence prevention, and administrative costs.
 - The COB was awarded \$500,000
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- A wooden floor with light-colored planks and a natural wood grain pattern, running horizontally across the bottom of the slide.

BPD STRATEGIC PLAN

1. REDUCE CRIME & FEAR OF CRIME
2. IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN NEIGHBORHOODS
3. MAINTAIN ADVANCES IN LAW ENFORCEMENT TECHNOLOGY
4. STRENGTHEN AND DIVERSIFY OUR WORKFORCE





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- **Leadership team tasked with identifying which priorities the 2022-2024 BPD Strategic Plan could be positively impacted by with these funds:**
 - **GOAL 1: Reduce Crime and the Fear of Crime**
 - **Strategies: ...apply a variety of resources & techniques to deter, reduce or eliminate criminal activity, reduce juvenile crime**
 - **GOAL 2: Improve the Quality of Life in Neighborhoods**
 - **Strategies...maintain a safe environment using public safety wireless camera technology, engage community members to form problem-solving partnerships**
 - **GOAL 3: Maintain Advances in Law Enforcement Technology**
 - **Strategies...stay current with advancements to ensure we are serving the public most effectively and efficiently**

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- YOUTH SUMMER CAMP (\$40,000, est.)
 - Partner with school & community groups to identify the youth participants. The camp will provide problem-solving & conflict resolution instruction, discipline, teambuilding exercises, day trips & meals.
- TEXT-A-TIP PROGRAM (\$12,000, 5-year program)
 - Automated digital tip program allows community members to text anonymous tips to BPD with the use of a cellular or smart device. Currently service 2,000 police agencies.

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- REWARD MONEY FOR TIPS (\$40,000, est.)
 - A program is needed to incentivize the sharing of vital information from the public concerning violent crimes and illegal gun possession.
- NATIONAL INTEGRATED BALLISTICS INFORMATION NETWORK (NIBN) PROGRAM (\$162,000, est.)
 - Technology developed by the U.S. Bureau of Arson, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF)
 - Allows police agencies to perform automatic ballistic correlation of seized spend cartridges from crime scenes. Highly valuable and advanced technology for firearm violence.

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- GUN BUY BACK PROGRAM (\$60,000, est)
 - Has some measured success throughout the country, especially for community members who have no other outlet to responsibly and safely relieve themselves of possession guns they prefer not to have.
- GUN LOCKER PURCHASE PROGRAM (\$60,000, est)
 - Would allow Bloomington residents to apply for gun locker vouchers to purchase at local retailers.
 - Average approximately 56 seized stolen guns annually

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- 2 MOBILE PUBLIC SAFETY TRAILER CAMERAS (\$70,000, est)
 - Use to deter crime at public gatherings and violent crime hotspots. Allows for real-time and recorded surveillance footage to further enhance BPD's current network.
- TETHERED/UNTETHERED UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLES (UAV) & TRAINING (\$56,000, est)
 - **Deterrent of violent crime at public events, locate missing elderly/children, fugitive apprehension, hostage/barricaded subjects, & to collect evidence related to violent crimes & significant vehicle crashes.**
 - **Many medium to large-sized police agencies have recently adopted this technology to improve public safety. Tethered UAVs can stay aloft for as long as needed providing situational overwatch, take evidentiary video/pictures and added safety to event attendees.**