

## **Emergency Summer Violence Response Pilot**

**Questions and Answers from May 27-June 1, 2021.**

**Please explain: "ICJIA grantees and subgrantees with current R3 funding, July 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021 are not eligible to apply." According to the NOFO document, "ICJIA grantees and sub-grantees with R3 and/or violence prevention funding that cover this period of performance are not eligible to apply."**

The NOFO document that was posted to the ICJIA website is incorrect. The eligibility information should state, "ICJIA grantees and sub-grantees with R3 funding that cover this period of performance are not eligible to apply."

**Regarding the budget - We were unable to find a CFDA number tied to this opportunity and simply wanted to confirm - are we correct that we do not need to complete the FFATA Form as part of this application?**

You are correct.

**On the first tab of the budget document it states "All applicants must complete the cells highlighted in blue. The remaining cells will be automatically filled as you complete the Budget Worksheets." We have entered expenses in the "personnel" tab that auto-calculates a total on that tab, but nothing is auto-filling in the (non-blue-shaded) corresponding cell under "Year 1" on the "Section A - ICJIA Funds" tab. I assume that we should simply migrate the relevant amounts into the relevant rows, but as it appears that there are formulas in the "Section A" tab, so I want to make sure it isn't something we're doing wrong on our end! (Similarly, the indirect costs don't seem to be computing/migrating - should we just calculate this manually?) *\*The amounts do seem to be properly auto-migrating to the "Section C - Budget Summary" tab, but not the "Section A - ICJIA Funds" tab. ??????***

The Section ICJIA tab draws the totals not from the calculated total cost column but from the Federal/State column. Applicants have to fill in the blue Federal/State cost for each line item for it to calculate.

**Where in the budget should we place stipends for youth participants; food budgets for youth participants during programming; and food/entertainment expenses for community anti-violence events?**

These cost are most likely to go in supplies or contractual. For example, buying hot dogs from a store would go under supplies but hiring a caterer to supply hot dogs would go under contractual. The PowerPoint and sample budget used in the Bidder's Conference are available [here](#).

**In the "Performance Measures" section of the narrative there are templates provided for three distinct goal sets - youth development goal; youth/emerging adults employment goal; and street outreach goal. Our proposed program expansion will be focused on street outreach, and while it will incorporate conflict mediation and violent incident response, we are also looking to recruit those with whom we come into contact into an incentivized three-day-a-week program that will include mentorship and educational/personal development components. Given this description, we just want to confirm - is it appropriate to retain both the "youth development goal" and "street outreach goal" sets, or are these being viewed as distinct program types by ICJIA? (In other words, is it appropriate to propose one program that incorporates two goal sets, or are you viewing the goal sets as correlated to distinct program types)?**

Please complete both goal sets.

**You ask for the submission of a "Uniform Application for State Grant Assistance Signature Page" - apologies here as well, this is our first time applying for state funding - can you confirm where we can locate this signature page - is that within the GATA system when we submit the ICQ, or found somewhere in the application materials?**

That is a typo- The signatures are in Section 4 of the Uniform Application for State Grant Assistance-excel version.

**If we have program staff who would be serving both the applicant's current youth as well as the "expansion youth" to be served through this grant, and let's say the expansion youth will be 66% of total youth served over the grant period – then would we only include 66% of adult mentor wages for the three months? This would be a similar issue for a program space (rent) that will serve existing youth as well as grant-funded expansion youth.**

Correct.

**Is there any potential that review panelists may score an application higher specifically because indirect costs weren't included as part of their project budget? Or is that not permitted to be a factor either way?**

Applications will not be scored higher or lower solely on the basis of excluding or including indirect costs.

**I believe during the webinar it was mentioned that rent isn't allowed in the "base" when calculating indirect costs, unless I misheard, but it seems like the rent/utilities amount from the sample budget is included in the base for the calculation of indirect costs. Is the issue that only the program allocation of rent is allowed to be in the base**

When utilizing a modified total direct cost base, rental costs are not allowed. A program may utilize a different base if they have a negotiated indirect cost agreement with the State or Federal government.

**If the applicant contracts with outside clinical therapeutic services (professional services) for acute youth cases as needed, is that permitted under this grant, as long as it's not a**

**subaward? Or would that be discouraged? Similarly, could outside professionals be contracted to assist with the training of adult mentors and youth, or does ICJIA find that an applicant's own employees should handle that training? (Or perhaps it's just up to the applicant – not penalized either way?)**

What you are proposing may be allowable. However, there is an additional approval process that's required for sub-contracts. If you are selected for funding, we will provide you with additional documentation that will be required. Please note that the subcontract approval process will take additional time to complete.

**The webinar mentioned that field trips are permitted. If there is a cost for youth to attend something (a community event/venue/etc.), which expense tab would those fees (non-food) go under?**

This is typically in contractual

**In the measures column of the charts, I assume that even though there aren't blanks like on the objectives column, we should be stating specific numeric estimates and targets for various measures as part of the application, yes? Meaning that rather than just saying “# of employers that will participate” as a performance measure, we should actually say something like, “8 employers will participate” - just for example.**

Correct

**I assume it would be OK for a nonprofit's proposal submission email to come from an organization's grant writer rather than the organization's chief executive / primary contact noted within the application? I would copy the primary contact on the submission email.**

Yes, this is fine.

**I work with another organization every summer and provide a service that goes along with their existing program. Can we apply together? Is another way to do this is to be hired as a contractor?**

Collaboratives are not allowed for this solicitation. Contractors are allowed however subgrants are not.

**In reference to "program expansion," is this in reference to increased number of program participants, or adding new activities/services to the pre-existing program?**

Program expansion can include more persons, new programming, extended hours etc.

**Can we apply in one grant application for a program that serves communities from multiple R3 zones?**

Yes

**Are there any restrictions to the budget is there a percentage cap when it comes to staff, contractors, consultants, Admin, equipment, community engagement, coordination, and supplies?**

There are no specific category caps. Please read the allowable and unallowable costs section of the NOFO for more guidance.

**Are there any restrictions on stipends given to student, participants, speakers, and/or presenters etc.**

All costs must be reasonable and necessary for you to meet your program's objectives. ICJIA will evaluate costs in accordance with GATA, 2 CFR 200 and ICJIA policy. Please see the NOFO discussion of food costs for examples.

**Are there any restrictions with budgeting funds for archiving, recapping, and updating of students and participants of program activities after program dates end?**

No costs are allowed post September 30, 2021.

**Are undocumented students or participants eligible in receiving stipends or employment?**

Program participants include all community residents within the eligible areas. Your agency must follow your policies along with all applicable laws and regulations when determining the employment status of the participants.

**Who can we reach out to regarding GATA certification support?**

Click on this [link](#) for more information about GATA pre-award requirements. To begin the GATA registration process, click on this [link](#). A video recording that helps explain the certification process can be found [here](#) (the first 13:30 of the video provides information about GATA)."

**How does the 2M budget stipulation apply to applicants?**

This is a bonus question. It is optional to complete any of the bonus questions. If your agency has a budget of above 2M, you could just say that or even type N/A.

**There are performance measures for employment. Does the summer program need to find employment placement for youth or simply prepare youth for employment or neither?**

There are three program types for this NOFO-an applicant can apply for 1, 2 or all 3 of them. If proposing a youth employment program, actual paid work is required.

**My agency has not applied for state funds before. I ran into challenges with the "How to Access the Illinois GATA Grantee Portal". It states one needs an Illinois.gov Public Account or Illinois.gov Partner account.**

## 1. Authentication

The Grantee Portal utilizes the Illinois.gov Authentication Portal. A personal or business email address is required to establish an account. Authentication verifies the relationship between an individual and the organization they represent. Authentication is performed once for each individual associated with a registration. To obtain an account click the “Create a new account” link below the “Sign in” button. For help with the Illinois.gov Authentication Portal please click the 'Can't access your account' link below the sign in button.

## 2. Grantee Registration

All grantees must be registered with the State of Illinois. Grantee Registration is completed by browsing to <https://grants.illinois.gov/portal> and associating your Illinois.gov account with your organization. New accounts must enter the organization’s information on the Registration screen. Existing accounts must click the “Edit” button next to the organization name on the Main Menu.

## 3. Grantee Pre-qualification

All entities must be qualified to do business with the State of Illinois. To be qualified for a grant award, an entity must:

- Have a valid DUNS number;
- Have a current SAM.gov account;
- Not be on the Federal Excluded Parties List;
- Be in Good Standing with the Illinois Secretary of State, as applicable;
- Not be on the Illinois Stop Payment list;
- Not on the Dept. of Healthcare and Family Services Provider Sanctions list.

**Is an organization that specializes in violence prevention eligible to apply for the forthcoming *Emergency Summer Violence Response Pilot Program* funding opportunity, if that organization did not receive an R3 grant award in 2020, but indirectly receives R3 grant funding allocated from another awardee who received funds during the 2020 R3 grant cycle? The organization that is seeking to apply this Summer did not receive a direct R3 grant award in 2020, but rather, receives a small portion of another grantee's R3 funding for violence prevention work pursuant to an MOU.**

As stated in the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the Emergency Summer Violence Response Pilot Program, current R3 recipients are not eligible to apply. Under the states’ Grant Accountability and Transparency Act (GATA), any sub grant relationship has the same rules and responsibilities as any grant relationship. In other words, being a ‘sub of a sub’ is no different than being a ‘sub of a direct grantee’ and would not qualify. The rationale is these funds are to expand services this summer and R3 awardees already have resources to deliver programming over the summer months.

If you are a grantee or sub grantee you are not eligible.

**The NOFO says on page 16 under Program Implementation scoring " Direct Service Staff: applicant's response clearly describes how direct service staff work will include in person (not remote) and in non-traditional work hours." Does this mean that some in person engagement is required for youth employment? We have an internal program where we hire youth for 20 hours a week but plan for it to be remote this summer (we successfully hired 20 youth last summer in a remote program). Are in person components also required for youth development?**

The intent was for some in person programming to occur. That being said, I recommend you still submit an application and explain why you wish to expand your remote only program.

**One of the Equity Questions says: "Organization is headquartered in the community proposed to be served." We are an African American led organization headquartered in Chatham/Roseland. We seek to provide services in adjacent South Suburban Cook County. Do we qualify for these points?**

These points are for agencies headquartered in the proposed area to be served only.

**We don't currently offer youth employment in Chicago (only in Lake County) can we offer youth employment in Chicago with this grant money? We offer other services in Chicago-Westside but not youth employment.**

This NOFO is to expand existing programming and what you propose may be allowable and it depends on the structure of your proposed program.

**With the tables included in the narrative (objectives and performance measures), are we able to delete the tables that do not apply to the funding area we are proposing? As stated above the tables: "Complete the appropriate projected measures and delete the charts not needed." However, it was reported back to me that we are not allowed to delete anything, even if it is not needed. I need clarification on this, as the tables themselves add to the 8-page limit.**

We apologize for the confusion, you may delete the charts you are not completing. .

**For the specific process/outcome objectives already included, are we able to delete anything already filled in that may not pertain to our particular program we are proposing? Or are we required to leave whatever is already in place, in addition to filling in our own responses?**

Please include the process objectives already listed. Applicants are allowed to add their own.

**In reference to "program expansion," is this in reference to increased number of program participants, or adding new activities/services to the pre-existing program?**

Expansion includes increasing numbers of persons served, expanding programming, number of hours, etc.

**I am hoping you may provide clarification regarding Street Intervention/Outreach in the Emergency Summer Violence Response Pilot. In the NOFO on page 6 it states under SI/O: “Services may include, but are not limited to, healthcare and mental health treatment....”**

**Does this mean that providing mental health treatment and case management is allowed under Street Intervention/Outreach? Or this this referring to staff connecting participants to mental health treatment? If mental health treatment and case management is allowed under this category, will the following objective on page 8 be required?: “Identify # encounters with the potential for violence or retaliation and provide mediation in all identified encounters.” This would not be an objective that mental health and case management service could meet.**

Mediation, de-escalation and case management are essential and required component of Street Outreach. Mental health treatment can be included in the programming, either directly through a paid staff member or via a referral to an external agency (no grant dollars).

**I see that specific 'process' objectives have already been provided. Do applicants fill in 'outcome' objectives -- or do we leave this blank for later determination with ICJIA?**

Applicants can include outcome objectives. Applicants can add additional process objectives but must complete the ones provided.

**On one page I saw a description of collaboratives, then I saw on another page that collaboratives will not be accepted. Can we apply if we are two organizations collaborating together? We were in process of implementing this program for the summer anyway. This will allow us to expand our program.**

No collaboratives are allowed for this NOFO.

**If a faith-based organization is reimplementing a program that was paused last summer due to the pandemic, can they still apply?**

The applicant must be currently operating a youth development, youth employment, or street intervention program that can expand quickly over the summer months.

**I just received this information today. Can I still do a letter of intent or can I just complete the application?**

It is fine to complete the application without submitting a NOI.

**Our computer system that protects sensitive information and encrypts it. What would be the best way to proceed due to our organization's computer system.**

Please submit the application via email, and if we can't read it, we will give you an alternative method to submit your application.

**Questions and Answers below are from the Virtual Bidder's Conference on  
May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**What if your building is in a Cook County government building, but you serve children in our R3 zones?**

Enter an address in your service area to determine if you are eligible.

**We have current funding that is school based so it won't be operational over the summer. Does that mean we are ineligible?**

We can't answer this with the limited information provided

**Champaign covers some R3 areas census tracks but not all. Can we only serve populations that live in those census tracks?**

Programs must serve community residents within the eligible areas, but clients in neighboring census tracts should not be denied services.

**If we receive Violence Prevention and Reduction funding are we eligible to apply?**

Only ICJIA grantees and sub-grantees with R3 funding that cover this period of performance are not eligible to apply.”.

**We are a university program and want to expand our stem immersion programming with young people in our various labs. We believe that this is that this youth development and employment that this is your development unemployment. Is this pre-collegiate programming allowable?**

Yes, as long as you meet the other requirements.

**My organization serves multiple R3 zones. Do we have to submit multiple applications for each zone?**

You may submit 1 application.

**If we receive Violence Prevention and Reduction funding, but not our R3 funding. are we eligible to apply?**

If you receive state violence prevention funding during the period of July 2021 through September 2021, you would not be eligible for this funding.

**As part of the summer jobs program, can we pay youth to work for us?**

There's no restrictions on where they are employed as long as they are doing meaningful work.

**The grant mentions a risk assessment. When is that completed?**

A: If you receive a grant, risk assessments would be completed along with other documents.



**Can CBVIP grantees apply?**

A: Yes, yes you can apply because you won't have an active violence prevention grant for the time period of performance for this R3 funds, which is July 1 through September 30th.

**We would like to offer our youth program for the R3 area. Hypothetically, if we have youth that want to participate who live outside of the area, is that allowed? The program takes place in the R3 area**

Programs must serve community residents within the eligible areas, but clients in neighboring census tracts should not be denied services.

**If you have our R3 grants with Cook County, are you eligible for this grant?**

No, those with R3 funding, either as a direct grantee or through a sub grantee, are not eligible.

**It appears the grant begins based on the Chicago school year. Our program is based on a different school year which is June 21-August 5th. Is that allowed?**

The maximum period of performance for all grants is July 1 – September 30, 2021. Applicants may propose applications that start after July 1, 2021 and end before September 30, 2021.

**We hire in the summer, full time, 10 to 12 youth and youth supervisors. Can we use the funds for that? Or does it have to be more than the 10 to 12 youth?**

This funding is to add to your existing work it cannot supplant or replace your existing work. So if you always hire 10 to 12 youth every summer, you need to hire additional young people with these R3 funds.

**If we're using a contractor to write the grant, is there ability to add the grant writing cost to include it in the budget?**

No, costs to create the application for a project are not part of the project itself.

**For the outcomes, do we only put numbers into the existing outcomes or can we fill those out and also add our own?**

Please enter numbers into the existing outcomes. You may enter additional outcomes.

**Can you elaborate more outreach?**

Street Intervention/Outreach refers to actively working neighborhood blocks to engage individuals who are at immediate or high risk of being either victims or perpetrators of violence and gun violence. Outreach staff are credible messengers who engage with these individuals in a variety of settings, including parks, homes, street corners, community centers, schools, hospitals, or any place the at-risk individuals frequent. Outreach staff build trusting relationships with high-risk individuals so that they can mediate existing and potential conflicts to prevent incidents of violence and promote peace while helping direct them to employment and/or other meaningful youth development activities.

Outreach and support staff serve as service connectors and as supporters to high-risk individuals and their families. Services may include, but are not limited to, healthcare and mental health treatment, housing, substance abuse disorder treatment, and employment assistance. These services support an individual's growth and resiliency toward reaching their potential. In addition, connection to needed supportive services and networks can redirect a young person's trajectory toward being a more positive contributor to their families and communities. Outreach efforts are typically conducted in the afternoons/evenings and late at night when violence is most prevalent. Outreach staffing ensures that non-traditional work hours are well covered. Agency staffing is scheduled accordingly.

Some key outreach activities include:

- Community engagement.
- Engaging and support individuals, families, and groups at high risk of violence.
- Reclaiming public spaces for safe activities for the entire community.
- Responding to critical incidents, such as shootings and homicides, to de-escalate tension.
- Supporting victims and their families.
- Conducting proactive peace building activities.
- Mediating and resolve conflicts between street groups.
- Making referrals for services and support.

**The expansion of program include extending the period of the program. For example, if youth employment typically ends July 15th, could our proposal continue the program through the end of September versus expanding the number of youth and adult served.**

Expansion includes more persons served, more programming, extended hours etc.

**If we have never been able to provide stipends to participants before, can we do that with this grant? Both previous and new.**

Stipends are allowable for program participants. Only new participants are within the scope of this grant.

**Do you have to provide the whole range of services, or you can pick one?**

Yes, you can pick 1 or 2 or 3.

**Mentors who would normally volunteer a few hours a week. If we ask them to expand to supervisory work, can we pay them through this grant?**

Costs that are reasonable and necessary for program expansion to engage more participants are allowable.

**Could you clarify dates proposals are due, awarded and begin?**

Applications are due by 11:59 on June 7th to [summervp@illinois.gov](mailto:summervp@illinois.gov). The grant period is July 1 through September 30. We will be bringing this to the R3 Board and ICJIA's Budget Committee

at the very end of June. Those that are selected will have had contact before then. The final notice, acceptance or declination, will come in early July.

**If the target populations for employment are inside the R3 zone, but the training and employers are outside the zones, does that matter? Or does everything need to be provided in the zone?**

Programs must serve community residents within the eligible areas. For the purposes of this NOFO, training and employment is not required to be within the R3 zone.

**Did ICJIA state that in relation to Supply costs, the per unit can't be more than 100? The narrative says 50.**

Yeah, thank you. It is 100 dollars so we'll clean this up in the sample budget that we release.

**Do we submit the narrative in the same format that was given? Are we just filling in the boxes?**

Yes

**Can we get a copy of the sample budget?**

Yes, it will be posted on the NOFO page as well as a link provided in this document

**Are youth field trips allowed?**

Yes, as long as there is a programmatic purpose that is explained

**Does this funding allow an organization to partner with other organizations as contractors?**

An organizational partnership is indicative of a subaward. Sub-awards are not allowed under this NOFO.

**Will current youth employment programs that serve youth ages 16 to 24 be allowed to expand their program to serve ages 10 to 15. And compensate them with financial incentives.**

Stipends for program participants are allowed to incentivize program participation. A gift card would be an example of an allowable incentive, but cash is not allowable.

**Did I hear that equipment is not allowable?**

Equipment is defined as an item that has a useful life of more than one year and costs more than \$5,000. Equipment is not allowable under this NOFO.

**Can you confirm that food is allowable?**

Yes, food can be an allowable cost. Page 14 of the notice of the opportunity describes purposes of food and some restrictions. For example, it can't be used to provide a pizza party for your staff. For program participants, as long as it's needed for the program either to actively engage

them or it helps the programming piece of it, then food would be allowable. You would just have to provide that detail in that justification in your narrative.

**When you mentioned noting the number of youth in various budget notes, those are solely the expansion number of youth through this grant.**

Correct, only include the youth that are being served by these funds, rather than including the number of total youth that are served

**Items like basketballs are considered supplies, not equipment.**

Yes

**What's a reasonable cost for a stipend?**

This amount will be dependent on what the incentive is for, and the amount of time that it covers. The budget narrative must include a justification for how you arrived at the stipend cost (for example – if this is the amount that has previously proven successful in attracting program participants). Past programs have been able to provide justification for incentives of \$50 per participant per week.

**Is there any preference for youth workers to be W2 youth employees versus 1099 contractors or stipends?**

We do not have a preference. Your agency must follow all applicable laws and regulations when determining the employment status of the youth participants.

**Can we pay youth to work for outside businesses in the community as part of our overall program model? Or would they have to work solely for our organization?**

They can work for the organization or for outside folks in the community.

**Can youth be on their payroll?**

Your agency must follow all applicable laws and regulations when determining the employment status of the youth participants.

**For the program narrative, do applicants use the boxes in the provided template or another document?**

Use the template that's provided.

**Are employment training providers allowed, if they need to be contracted?**

That is likely a sub-contractor. The sub-contractor approval process at ICJIA requires additional documentation, which we would provide if you are selected as a grantee.

**What if an applicant receives a high score but the budget is too high. Will it be partially funded or all or nothing?**

Assuming the application was within the min/max amounts and was recommended for funding, if ICJIA finds some costs to be unreasonable or are not allowable, we may reduce the award by the total amount of those costs. Points will be deducted in the budget section if unallowable costs are included.

**Is the program risk assessment form going to be sent to grantees that are recommended for funding?**

Yes

**Will the grants be provided evenly throughout all of the R3 regions or will the highest scoring application, statewide receive funding regardless, if there are other grants provided to the same area.**

Please review section *E. Application Review Information* of the NOFO.

**Can we hire the youth to work remotely?**

The intent was for some in person programming to occur. That being said, I recommend you still submit an application and explain why you wish to expand your remote only program

**What budget category would curriculum and software fall under?**

Most likely supplies

**Can you please repeat the answer regarding the statewide distribution of grant funds.**

Applications will be reviewed by ICJIA staff and external experts. All applicants can receive a maximum of 100 points for the program narrative and budget. All applicants can receive up to 20 additional points based on their responses to the Equity Bonus Questions for a grand total of 120 points.

Application reviewers will consist of ICJIA staff, external experts and community members of R3 zones. All applications will be screened for completeness including GATA pre-qualification and ICQ submission for the current state fiscal year. Applications that are not complete will not be reviewed. Applications received from applicants that are not GATA pre-qualified or have not submitted an ICQ for the current state fiscal year will not be reviewed.

Proposals must meet the eligibility criteria outlined in Section C1. Applications that pass the screening and eligibility process will be scored based on the process outlined in Section E1. In addition, ICJIA may take into account the location of the services, number of persons served and applicant experience.

With limited exception, applications will be selected from highest to lowest scoring until funds are exhausted.

- Applicants who receive more than 10 equity bonus points will receive priority over those who do not. For example, an applicant who scored 85 and received 15 equity bonus points will be funded before an applicant that scored 90 but did not receive equity points.

- Preference will be given to applicants with services in locations with a higher rate of violent crime. Preference will also be given to applicants who serve more project participants. Preference can account for a maximum spread of 10 points. For example, a score of 90 could be selected over a score of 100 if the applicant's service area had a higher rate of violent crime and/or the applicant served more persons.
- Tie scores will be reconciled by whichever applicant has more experience.
- Applications that receive 70/120 points or less shall not be funded.

**Can the sample budget to provide examples of different ways of incentivizing or paying youth?**

It is the applicant's responsibility to propose the types and ways incentives fit within and are necessary to their program.

**Is organizations existing operating budget size a factor. A factor relative to the consideration of the grant size or is that not a review factor?**

This is not a criterion. Bonus points may be awarded based on the size of an applicant's operating budget.

**Where can we find data on our area and municipalities violent crime rates?**

ISP's Crime in Illinois report has 2019 data for violent index crime categories (Criminal Homicide, Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault/Battery), for every Illinois law enforcement agency that reported data. I recommend this report because it enables applicants to drill down to the city/municipality level, in that local law enforcement agencies report for their individual cities. Agency-level data goes county by county, beginning with Adams County on pdf p. 18.

<https://isp.illinois.gov/CrimeReporting/Cii2019>

Chicago applicants can consider using CPD data, available on the City of Chicago Data Portal. These are the underlying records used to produce totals submitted to ISP for the report indicated above. Applicants will likely not match the totals in the ISP report, for numerous reasons, but if they cite the data portal, and are able to describe what they are report, its fine in my book, as that's the "real data." Chicago applicants can also use CPD Compstat reports.

<https://data.cityofchicago.org/Public-Safety/Crimes-2001-to-Present/ijzp-q8t2>  
<https://home.chicagopolice.org/statistics-data/crime-statistics/>

**If we're not sure if we're eligible because we are waiting for an answer, could we do a letter of intent?**

Yes

**Is the grant reimbursement or draw down?**

Reimbursement

**Do both the applicant managers and the board need to be reflective of the community served to receive those 5 equity points or could some points be awarded if the applicants managers reflect the community?**

Partial points may be given

**Should our responses to the equity questions to be included in the program narrative, or a different section?**

They are included in the narrative. They are not included in the page limit, but they're in the narrative.

**Is the reimbursement monthly?**

Yes

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**How do I find out if my region is eligible?**

Please refer to the [R3 zone map](#) to determine if you are providing services to an R3 area. To find out if an address is within an R3 zone, or to get information on an R3 zone for application purposes, enter the address into the search bar (top left) or zoom in (+) on the address on the map. Any address appearing in a color-coded, shaded area is within an R3 zone.

**How do I apply and how much is allocated to each organization?**

Interested agencies can access the NOFO information here:

<https://icjia.illinois.gov/gata/funding/2021-emergency-pilot>

Grant awards will range from \$50,000 to \$300,000.

**Which budget form should I use when submitting my application for the Emergency Summer Violence Response Pilot Program?**

The Budget Template document can be found here: <https://icjia.illinois.gov/gata/funding/2021-emergency-pilot>. There was a slight change to original document posted on Friday, May 14, 2021. The document was named incorrectly, and there was also text that has since been corrected. Either budget templates will be accepted.

**We are planning a summer camp for 9-15-year old's that will include a variety of youth development activities such as mentoring, exposure to other parts of Chicago, arts and crafts, academic supports. We are also planning a mentorship and Basketball after dark program for older youth and young adults. Can we apply for all of this or just the mentorship and Basketball component?**

All of these program components are allowable, as long as they are an expansion of an existing program you normally provide.