

*National Neighborhood Mobilization Program to Prevent Crime—\$50,000*

This program will provide continuation funding for a grassroots organization in Philadelphia to support community policing through the implementation of comprehensive, innovative, anti-crime, anti-firearm, and anti-drug strategies.

*Victim Services as a Component of the Criminal Justice System \$450,000*

This project will provide training and technical assistance to criminal justice agencies to encourage them to be more responsive to the needs and concerns of victims and to incorporate victim services into criminal justice functions.

*Operation Weed and Seed— Demonstration and Technical Assistance—\$10,000,000*

Operation Weed and Seed is a community-based, comprehensive, multiagency approach designed to "weed" out crime and gang activity from target neighborhoods and then "seed" them with a wide range of human services that provide opportunities for citizens to live, work, and raise families in a stable environment. The 36 existing demonstration sites will receive awards to continue activities and/or expand into new target neighborhoods. Five sites will also receive funding to participate in the National Performance Review Lab, focused on neighborhood revitalization strategies. An array of technical assistance and training services will be available to the demonstration sites. Weed and Seed is a joint effort between BJA and the Executive Office for Weed and Seed. The Executive Office will contribute approximately \$13 million to the program, in addition to the BJA funds.

**Community Crime and Drug Abuse Prevention and Education Initiatives**

Provide National Scope Training and Technical Assistance To Support Local Crime-, Drug Use-, and Violence-Prevention Efforts

This program area implements national-level programs which provide training and technical assistance to local communities to support their prevention activities. For example, local programs may make use of, and localize, nationally and professionally developed print and television crime prevention messages through the National Citizens' Crime Prevention Campaign. Use of the McGruff the Crime Dog logo, which is recognized and respected by over 97 percent of school age children, provides local programs with instant credibility.

Similarly, participation in National Night Out serves as a rallying point for citizen participation in local efforts. Both of these programs provide communities with technical assistance and crime prevention materials that can be used locally.

In FY 1995, BJA will continue to support the five Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) Training Centers. These centers prepare State and local law enforcement officers to teach the DARE program in local schools. These Centers have been critical in facilitating the expansion of this very popular program and ensuring that both large and small jurisdictions from across the country have access to the training. Program funds are also used to develop enhancements to the DARE program, such as the mentoring program, the DARE parent program, and DARE training for junior and senior high school students.

The TRIAD Program, initiated in FY 1994, will be continued in FY 1995. This program focuses specifically on reducing the incidence and impact of crime and violence on the elderly. TRIAD, conducted jointly by the National Sheriffs' Association, the International Association of Chiefs of Police, the American Association of Retired Persons, the Office for Victims of Crime, and BJA will provide technical assistance and will develop training and materials at the national level for dissemination to local jurisdictions throughout the country.

**Non-Competitive***National Citizens' Crime Prevention Campaign—\$3,000,000*

The National Citizens' Crime Prevention Campaign, best known for McGruff the Crime Dog and the TAKE A BITE OUT OF CRIME slogan, will continue to rally national, State and local crime and violence prevention efforts through the development and implementation of timely and effective crime-, violence-, and drug-prevention materials, publications, technical assistance, training, and programming.

*Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE)—\$1,750,000*

BJA will continue to support the DARE Regional Training Centers which train law enforcement officers to teach the DARE program to students from elementary through high school to help them learn how to resist drug use, gangs, and violent behavior; build self-esteem; and prevent abduction.

*The National Association of Town Watch: Crime- and Drug-Prevention Campaign—\$200,000*

Commonly known as "National Night Out", this year-long program provides information, materials, and technical assistance for the development of effective police/community partnerships to reduce crime, violence, and substance abuse.

*TRIAD—\$200,000*

TRIAD, a program developed by the National Sheriffs' Association, the International Association of Chiefs of Police, and the American Association of Retired Persons, strives to reduce the adverse impact of crime and violence on the elderly and promote a better quality of life through volunteerism and the provision of prevention services to their peers. Additional funding of \$50,000 will be provided by the Office for Victims of Crime.

**Youth and Gangs Programs**

Provide Young People With Legitimate Opportunities and Activities Which Serve as Alternatives to Crime and Involvement With Gangs

Research has identified certain risk factors which contribute to substance abuse, delinquency, and violence among adolescents as well as protective factors which promote positive behavior. BJA's youth and gang programs are designed to address a number of risk factors related to: attitudes and norms favorable to problem behaviors, friends who engage in problem behavior, lack of commitment to school, and parental attitudes and involvement. The programs help to balance the risk factors in high-risk communities by establishing or strengthening protective factors which counter or provide buffers against the risk factors. These programs are designed to establish or strengthen protective factors which address the relationships between youth and their social environment.

Most of the programs are joint efforts between BJA and the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP). Several include participation by private foundations. All of the programs bring together various service agencies and community organizations to assist and provide opportunities for at-risk youth.

**Competitive***Pathways to Success—\$200,000*

The Pathways to Success program, funded jointly by BJA, OJJDP, and the National Endowment for the Arts, is designed to encourage young people to explore a wide range of career and life