

program goals in a comprehensive approach to reducing firearms-related violence. Three or four demonstration sites will be funded.

Non-Competitive

Firearms Trafficking Program—\$1,750,000

The Firearms Trafficking Program is designed to assist State and local governments reduce incidents of violence by reducing the availability of and the illegal trafficking in firearms. This program contains several components which BJA has found to be effective or promising in reducing the availability of firearms.

- The Firearms Licensee Compliance Program enhances the ability of State or local law enforcement agencies to conduct more complete and comprehensive background investigations on applicants for new or renewed Federal Firearms Licenses.

- The Firearms Investigative Task Force Program is designed to identify, target, investigate, and prosecute individuals and dismantle organizations involved in the unlawful use, sale, or acquisition of firearms in violation of the Federal and/or State firearms laws.

- Interstate Firearms Trafficking Program supports a cooperative effort among the Governors of 14 States, the District of Columbia, and the ATF to address the increase in violent crime committed with firearms obtained through interstate trafficking of guns.

- Innovative Firearms Program assists State or local jurisdictions in developing and implementing innovative new or enhanced projects designed to control illicit firearms trafficking. In addition, BJA, the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP), ATF, and U.S. Attorneys will work together to develop a State or local project to implement the new Youth Handgun Safety Act. OJJDP will contribute \$250,000.

Public/Private Partnership Against Violence in America—\$1,000,000

A Funding Collaborative, comprised of private and corporate foundations, the Department of Justice, and other Federal agencies, has been established to address violence in America, particularly violence affecting children and youth. Local sites will be selected to participate in this program on a competitive basis by the Funding Collaborative.

Arson and Explosives—Investigation and Prosecution Training for Prosecutors—\$50,000

This program supports national training for State and local prosecutors

in the investigation and prosecution of arson and bombings by addressing the personal and economic losses caused by incendiary and suspicious fires. The U.S. Fire Administration will also contribute \$50,000 to this program.

Prison Gang Tracking System—\$450,000

This program will support a National Major Gang Task Force designed to provide a coordinated law enforcement and corrections response to the growing interaction between street and prison gangs.

Firearms Legislation Program—\$125,000

The purpose of this project is to develop a body of general information about key provisions of States' firearms codes. The Office for Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention contributed \$52,500 to this program.

Violence Against Women Demonstration Program—\$400,000

This program is designed to demonstrate and assess a systems approach to violence against women including spouse abuse, child abuse, sexual assault, and stalking, which coordinates criminal prosecution with comprehensive case follow-through of court orders, monitoring and enforcement services, and protection for victims. This program will provide continuation funding for three existing sites.

Violence Against Women Program—Training and Technical Assistance—\$150,000

A consortium, established between BJA, the American Prosecutors Research Institute, and the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, will assist the demonstration sites described above in addressing the critical issues related to violence against women.

Goal II: Improve The Functioning Of The Criminal Justice System

Comprehensive Law Enforcement Initiatives

Enhance the Capacity of Law Enforcement Agencies To Disrupt Crime, Drug Trafficking and Sales, and Violence

The Comprehensive Law Enforcement Initiatives are designed to develop and test new programs and practices that enhance the effectiveness of State and local law enforcement agencies in making our communities safe from serious and violent criminals. In addition to continuing several drug task force and financial investigation

demonstration programs in FY 1995, BJA will fund an Anti-Car Theft Demonstration Program; a Major Crime Problem Solving Unit; and Gang Organized Crime Narcotics and Violence Enforcement Task Forces. Under these programs, new approaches to major crime and gang problems will be developed, implemented, documented, and made available to other jurisdictions.

Training and technical assistance related to Organized Crime Narcotics (OCN) Enforcement, Financial Investigations, and Clandestine Laboratory Investigation and Interdiction, which have been in great demand by local agencies, will be continued. Training currently under development through a BJA grant to the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives will be initiated in FY 1995 to enhance the ability of law enforcement officers to draw on social and economic support systems available in their community to assist minority families.

BJA will also continue the National Law Enforcement Policy Center, which provides a national resource for local agencies to use in establishing and enhancing their policies and procedures. The Center focuses on new and difficult issues facing local law enforcement agencies. It is a valuable resource to many small- and medium-sized departments that do not have the resources or expertise to conduct research.

Competitive

Auto-theft Deterrence, Investigation and Prosecution Program—\$200,000

The purpose of the Auto-Theft, Deterrence, Investigation, and Prosecution Program is to develop, demonstrate, and assess effective strategies to reduce the incidence of auto theft, carjackings and trafficking in stolen motor vehicles or motor vehicle parts. It is designed to: Develop new and innovative strategies to reduce, prevent and deter motor vehicle theft and violence; develop tactical coordination and interagency plans between law enforcement agencies and prosecutors to increase the likelihood of arrest and prosecution for motor vehicle theft and carjacking; and target repeat offenders. The 25 cities with the highest motor vehicle theft rates per 100,000 population in 1993 and/or the 15 cities with the highest number of carjackings in 1992 are eligible to apply for one of two awards to be made. See the Program Announcement and Application Kit for a list of eligible cities.