

several points of decision-making in the juvenile justice system.

This competitive Special Emphasis program will provide funds to States, local units of government, and nonprofit organizations to demonstrate effective interventions designed to eliminate the disproportionate confinement of minority juveniles in secure detention or correctional facilities, adult jails and lockups, and other secure institutional facilities. Activities appropriate for funding under this initiative include such programs as:

- Training and education programs for law enforcement and juvenile justice practitioners.

- Diversion programs for minority youths who come in contact with the juvenile justice system.

- Prevention programs in communities with high numbers of minority residents.

- Programs to increase the capacity of community-based organizations to provide alternatives to detention and incarceration for minority youths.
- Aftercare programs designed to assist minority youths returning to their communities from secure institutions.

Grants will be available in amounts ranging from \$50,000 to \$100,000 for the implementation and evaluation of interventions designed to reduce disproportionate minority confinement. In addition to the general selection criteria applied to all OJJDP competitive applications, OJJDP will consider the relationship of the application to the State's development of multiple strategies to address the State's problem based on minority overrepresentation indices as identified in the Phase I data collection analysis. Three to six competitive applications will be funded in fiscal year 1995 at \$50,000 to \$100,000 each.

The Juvenile Justice Prosecution Center—\$300,000

For several years, OJJDP has supported prosecutor training activities through the National District Attorneys' Association (NDAA). This project will establish a Juvenile Justice Prosecution Center to provide prosecutor training and implement workshops on juvenile justice related executive policy, leadership, and management for chief prosecutors and juvenile unit chiefs, and provide background information to prosecutors on juvenile justice issues and programs.

The project will be implemented by the American Prosecutors Research Institute (APRI), based on planning and input by prosecutors familiar with juvenile justice needs. APRI is the research and technical assistance

affiliate of NDAA. The project will utilize a working group of chief prosecutors and juvenile unit chiefs to support the project's staff in providing training, technical assistance, and juvenile justice related research and program information to practitioners nationwide. The expectation is that within the next three years a self-supporting Juvenile Justice Prosecution Center will be established through links with State prosecutor training programs.

The award for the Juvenile Justice Prosecution Center will be made to APRI. No additional applicants will be considered in fiscal year 1995.

Technical Assistance to Juvenile Corrections and Detention (The James E. Gould Memorial Program)—\$200,000

The purpose of this program is to continue OJJDP's capability to provide technical assistance for juvenile corrections and detention. A major responsibility of the grantee will be to plan and convene the annual Juvenile Corrections and Detention Forum. The forum provides an opportunity for 100 juvenile corrections and detention leaders to meet and discuss issues, problems, and solutions to corrections and detention problems. A second objective is to provide workshops and training conferences on current and emerging national issues in the field of juvenile corrections and detention. The grantee will provide limited technical assistance through document dissemination. OJJDP will award a competitive grant to an organization experienced in this area of expertise to provide these services.

Strengthening Juvenile Justice

Continuation Programs

Serious, Violent, and Chronic Juvenile Offender Treatment Program—\$1,500,000

In fiscal year 1993, under a competitive announcement, OJJDP awarded funds to enable two jurisdictions (Allegheny County, Pennsylvania and Washington, DC) to develop a plan for systematic graduated sanctions for juvenile offenders. The plan combines accountability and sanctions with increasingly intensive community-based intervention, treatment, and rehabilitation services as the seriousness of a juvenile's offenses increases or a particular offense warrants. The plan's basic elements are to: (1) Assess the existing continuum of secure and nonsecure intervention, treatment, and rehabilitation services in each jurisdiction; (2) define the juvenile offender population; (3) develop and implement a program strategy; (4)

develop and implement an evaluation; (5) integrate private nonprofit, community-based organizations into juvenile offender services; (6) incorporate an aftercare program as a formal component of all residential placements; (7) develop a resource plan to enlist the financial and technical support of other Federal, State, and local agencies, private foundations, or other funding sources; and (8) develop a victim assistance component using local organizations.

In fiscal year 1994, these jurisdictions each qualified for \$500,000 implementation grants. Two additional jurisdictions are being selected for combined planning and implementation awards of \$500,000 each under a fiscal year 1994 competitive program.

In fiscal year 1995, each of the original jurisdictions will receive continuation awards of \$500,000 for second year implementation. Also in fiscal year 1995, up to \$100,000 will be available to each of the five SafeFutures sites to refine and implement action plans for graduated sanctions systems in the target areas. The Bureau of Justice Assistance will transfer \$1,500,000 to OJJDP to implement this program in fiscal year 1995. No additional applications will be solicited in fiscal year 1995.

Juvenile Court Training*—\$1,074,000

The primary purpose of this project is to continue and refine the training and technical assistance program offered by the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges. The training objectives are to supplement law school curricula and provide judges with current information on developments in juvenile and family case law and available options for sentencing and treatment. Emphasis will also be placed on drug testing, gangs and violence, and intermediate sanctions. The project will provide both basic training to new juvenile and family court judges and specialized training to experienced judges.

The program will be implemented by the current grantee, The National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges. No additional applications will be solicited in fiscal year 1995.

Intensive Community-Based Aftercare Demonstration and Technical Assistance Program—\$620,000

This initiative is designed to support implementation, delivery of training and technical assistance, and evaluation for a statewide intensive community-based aftercare model in four states competitively selected to participate in this demonstration program.