TO: CALIFORNIA SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT

The Budget Act of 2021 makes available $10 million dollars for the Gun Violence Reduction Program. The funds will be awarded by the California Department of Justice (DOJ) to support county sheriff’s departments conducting activities related to the seizure of weapons and ammunition from persons who are prohibited from possessing them, including efforts based upon entries in the Department of Justice’s Armed Prohibited Persons System (APPS) 1. A total of $10 million will be made available in two grant cycles: $5 million to be awarded each year by January 1, 2022 and January 1, 2023 respectively. The DOJ will award grants in amounts between $250,000 and $1,000,000 per applicant per year.

Eligibility Criteria
Any county sheriff’s department within the State of California is eligible to receive funds.

Grant Proposal Extension

The DOJ has extended the proposal period. Eligible agencies may submit a completed proposal to the DOJ through November 12, 2021.

Grant proposals may be mailed to:
Department of Justice
Division of Operations
Gun Violence Reduction Program: PROPOSALS
P.O. Box 160167
Sacramento, CA 95816-9998

Alternatively, proposals may be submitted to GVRPGrantRFP@doj.ca.gov.

The Request for Proposal (RFP) package, which contains all of the information and forms your agency will need to prepare and submit, is posted on the DOJ’s website at https://oag.ca.gov/gvrp.

Awarding Criteria
A selection committee will review and evaluate all submitted proposals and grants shall be made on a competitive basis pursuant to the criteria established in the Budget Act of 2021.

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1. Armed Prohibited Persons System means the Prohibited Armed Persons File described in Section 30000 of the Penal Code.
Reporting Requirement
Each agency shall, by no later than February 1, report to the DOJ, in a format prescribed by the DOJ specified information for the immediately preceding calendar year in which grant funds were used.

Questions regarding this grant can be directed to:

Program Manager
California Department of Justice | Gun Violence Reduction Program
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