PUBLIC NOTICE

LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Notice of Availability of Funds

Safe and Secure Communities Grant Program

Take notice that, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-34.4, the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) announces the availability of continuation funding for the following grant program:

a. Name of program:

2021 State Fiscal Year (SFY) Safe and Secure Communities Grant Program (Safe & Secure Grant Program).

b. Purpose:

The Safe & Secure Grant Program is designed to provide eligible municipalities with state funding to support the salary of law enforcement personnel to address crime in a community-oriented manner. N.J.S.A. 52:17B-159 et seq. The Department of Law and Public Safety, through OAG, administers the Safe & Secure Grant Program. N.J.A.C. 13:79-3.1 et seq.

c. Amount of money in the fund:

Funding for the Safe and Secure grant program is derived from fines imposed upon criminal convictions. Approximately \$4,000,000 is available for distribution in the SFY 2021 funding cycle.

d. Organizations which may apply for funding under this program:

Statutory threshold to participate in the Safe & Secure Grant Program is limited to municipalities that have a police department or force wherein the number of violent and nonviolent crimes per police officer exceeded 70 percent of the Statewide average of municipalities with a municipal police department or force, as reported in the 1991 Uniform Crime Report published by the Division of State Police. N.J.S.A. 52:17B-161.

Further, these municipalities must have applied for, and received, an initial Safe & Secure personnel award letter within the first two program years following August 2, 1993, even if the municipality did not immediately accept its initial grant award. N.J.A.C. 13:79-1.3.

e. Qualifications needed by an applicant to be considered for funding:

The Safe & Secure Grant Program requires a municipality to increase the number of law enforcement personnel through the use of grant funds, and then maintain that total number of law enforcement personnel – also known as a complement. A municipality may not participate in the Safe & Secure Grant Program if it reduces the total number of law enforcement personnel below its baseline regular complement (before those added with grant funds).

1. Eligible municipalities must pay all fringe benefit costs associated with the personnel hired, as well as all costs in excess of the grant award.

- 2. As a condition of the grant, a municipality agrees that it will not reduce its baseline regular complement of police officers and other law enforcement personnel (as of December 31, 1993 or as reported in the 1993 UCR).
- 3. A reduction in the complement of officers below a department's full complement (those added with grant funds) will result in a proportionate reduction or total loss of the grant award.

The following municipalities will receive an electronic notification letter and/or an application:

Aberdeen Township

Audubon Borough

Beachwood Borough

Belleville Town

Bellmawr Borough

Berlin Borough

Bloomfield Town

Branchburg Township

Brick Township

Bridgeton City

Bridgewater Township

Brigantine City

Brooklawn Borough

Burlington City

Butler Borough

Cherry Hill Township

Chesterfield Township

Clayton Borough

Clementon Borough

Clifton City

Collingswood Borough

Delran Township

Deptford Township

East Greenwich Township

East Rutherford Borough

Eatontown Borough

Egg Harbor Township

Elmwood Park Borough

Evesham Township

Flemington Borough

Franklin Township (Somerset)

Freehold Borough

Freehold Township

Galloway Township

Gibbsboro Borough

Glassboro Borough

Gloucester Township

Green Brook Township

Greenwich Township

Hackensack City

Haddon Township

Hamilton Township (Atlantic)

Hillsborough Township

Hi-Nella Borough

Hopatcong Borough

Howell Township

Independence Township

Irvington Town

Jackson Township

Jersey City

Keansburg Borough

Lakewood Township

Laurel Springs Borough

Lawrence Township

Linden City

Lindenwold Borough

Little Egg Harbor

Livingston Township

Long Branch City

Lopatcong Township

Lumberton Township

Lyndhurst Township

Mansfield Township (Burlington)

Mantua Township

Maplewood Township

Middle Township

Millville City

Monroe Township (Gloucester)

Montclair Town

Moorestown Township

Mount Holly Township

Mount Laurel Township

Mullica Township

Neptune City Borough

New Brunswick City

New Hanover Township

Newton Town

North Brunswick Township

North Hanover Township

North Plainfield Borough

Northfield City

Nutley Township

Oaklyn Borough

Ocean Township (Monmouth)

Old Bridge Township

Palmyra Borough

Paramus Borough

Passaic City

Paterson City

Paulsboro Borough

Pemberton Borough

Piscataway Township

Pitman Borough

Plainsboro Township

Pleasantville City

Plumsted Township

Pohatcong Township

Point Pleasant Beach

Prospect Park Borough

Rockaway Borough

Roselle Borough

Roselle Park Borough

Roxbury Township

Runnemede Borough

Saddle Brook Township

Sayreville Borough

Shrewsbury Borough

Somerdale Borough

South Plainfield Borough

Somers Point City

South Toms River Borough

Springfield Township (Burlington)

Stanhope Borough

Stratford Borough

Toms River Township (Dover, Ocean County)

Totowa Borough

Vernon Township

Vineland City

Voorhees Township

Wallington Borough

Washington Township (Gloucester)

Watchung Borough

Waterford Township

Wayne Township

Weehawken Township

West Deptford Township

West Long Branch Borough

West New York

Westville Borough

Wharton Borough

Wildwood City

Winslow Township

Woodbridge Township

Woodbury City

Woodbury Heights Borough

Woodland Park Borough (Formerly West Paterson Borough)

The following municipalities may be eligible, but dropped out and/or have not participated in the Safe & Secure Grant Program within at least the last two years:

Atlantic City

Avalon Borough

Belmar Borough

Bradley Beach Borough

Camden City

Cinnaminson Township

Dover Town

East Brunswick Township

East Orange City

Edison Township

Egg Harbor City

Elizabeth City

Englewood City

Ewing Township

Hamilton Township (Mercer County)

Hillside Township

Keyport Borough

Little Falls Township

Lodi Borough

Manasquan Borough

Metuchen Borough

Milford Borough

Morristown Town

Newark City

North Bergen Township

Ocean City

Orange City

Pemberton Township

Pennsauken Township

Penns Grove Borough

Perth Amboy City

Plainfield City

Point Pleasant Borough

Princeton Borough

Rahway City

Raritan Township

Rockaway Township

Salem City

Secaucus Town

Somerville Borough

South Orange Village

Swedesboro Borough

Teaneck Township

Trenton City

Union City

Ventnor City

West Orange Town

Willingboro Township

Woodlynne Borough

If any of these municipalities currently meet program requirements and would like to participate in future programs, please send a letter requesting an application to:

Grants Development Section Office of the Attorney General Hughes Justice Complex 25 Market Street, P.O. Box 080, Trenton, New Jersey 08625

Attn: Safe & Secure Grant Program

f. Procedures for eligible organizations to apply:

A consolidated application and award package will be emailed to all participating municipalities for a successive continuation project. To be considered for a SFY 2021

continuation grant, an eligible municipality must file a completed application/award package via e-mail to Grants@njoag.gov within 60 days from the date listed on the e-mailed notification.

Funding is not guaranteed for delinquent or incomplete submissions.

For technical assistance, call the Office of the Attorney General, Grants Development Section, at (609) 376-2445, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

g. Address of the State agency receiving the applications:

Grants Development Section Office of the Attorney General Hughes Justice Complex 25 Market Street P.O. Box 080 Trenton, New Jersey 08625

h. Deadline by which applications must be submitted:

Applications should be completed and emailed to <u>Grants@njoag.gov</u> within 60 days from the date listed on the notification email.

i. Date by which notices shall be mailed of approval or disapproval of applications:

Applicants will be notified within 45 days of receipt of a completed application.

Please note that funding allocations and individual subaward amounts are subject to change. Subrecipients shall recognize and agree that both the initial provision of funding and the continuation of such funding under a grant agreement is expressly depending upon the availability to the Department of funds appropriated by the State or Federal Legislature from State and/or Federal revenue or such other funding sources, as may be applicable. A failure of the Department to make any payment under a grant agreement or to observe and perform any condition on its part

to be performed under a grant agreement as a result of the failure of the State or Federal Legislature to appropriate funds shall not in any manner constitute a breach of a grant agreement by the Department or an event of default under a grant agreement and the Department shall not be held liable for any breach of a grant agreement because of the absence of available funding appropriations. In addition, future funding may not be anticipated from the Department beyond the duration of the award period set forth in a grant agreement and in no event shall a grant agreement be construed as a commitment by the Department to expend funds beyond the termination date set in a grant agreement.