

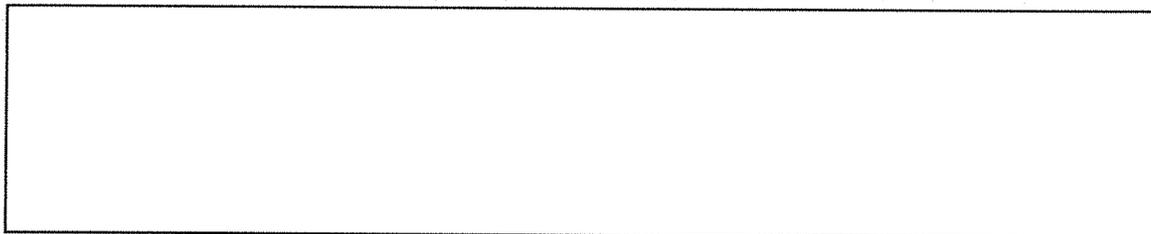
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Washington Watch Fax Advisory

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RE: U.S. Department of Justice Announces Open Application Period for COPS

Grants.

Dear Mayor:

The U.S. Department of Justice's Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) announced today that both the COPS Hiring Program and the COPS Community Policing Development programs are open and accepting applications.

COPS Hiring Program (CHP)

The application period for the 2013 COPS Hiring Program (CHP) is now open. Applications for this year's CHP solicitation must be completed and submitted by **7:59 PM EDT on Wednesday, May 22, 2013** in order to receive consideration. CHP is a competitive grant program that provides funding directly to state, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies having primary law enforcement authority for the hiring or re-hiring of additional officers to impact their community policing capacity and crime prevention efforts.

Under Fiscal Year (FY) 2013 CHP, awardees may receive up to 75 percent of the approved entry-level officer salary and fringe benefit costs, with a minimum 25 percent local cash match requirement and a **maximum federal share of \$125,000 per officer position** over a three-year grant period. Grant funds may be used to hire new, full-time sworn officer positions, to re-hire officers who have been laid off, or to re-hire officers who are scheduled to be laid off on a specific future date as a result of local budget cuts. As in the past, CHP requires that each position awarded be retained with local funds for a minimum of 12 months at the conclusion of 36 months of federal funding for each position. Priority consideration will be given to agencies that use their CHP funding to hire either school resource officers or military veterans and those targeting to reduce homicide.

FY2013 CHP funding is limited, and all awards are subject to the availability of appropriated funds and any modifications or additional requirements that may be imposed by law. **For detailed information on CHP program requirements, application instructions, FAQs and more, please visit the CHP page on the COPS website at www.cops.usdoj.gov/Default.asp?Item=2367.**

The COPS Office has capped the number of officers that an agency can request through the FY2013 CHP program. All agencies' requests will be capped at no more than 5 percent of their actual sworn force strength as reported on the date of application.

Agencies with a service population of 1 million or above may apply for up to 25 officer positions; however, agencies with a service population less than 1 million may apply for up to 15 officer positions. The request of any agency with a sworn force strength less than or equal to 20 will be capped at one officer. CHP grant funding will be based on the current full-time entry-level salary and fringe benefits package of an officer in the department. Any additional costs for higher than entry-level salaries and fringe benefits will be the responsibility of the grantee agency.

Community Policing Development (CPD) Program

The Community Policing Development (CPD) program is now open and applications must be submitted by **4:59 PM EDT on Friday, May 24, 2013**. CPD funds are used to advance the practice of community policing in law enforcement agencies through training and technical assistance, the development and documentation of innovative community policing strategies, applied research, guidebooks, and best practices that are national in scope.

The program is open to all public governmental agencies, profit and nonprofit institutions, universities, community groups and faith-based organizations. Proposals should be of national relevance, significantly advance the field of community policing, and demonstrate an understanding of community policing as it pertains to the application topic. Applications will only be accepted through the COPS Application Portal, accessed from Grants.Gov website (www.grants.gov). No paper or emailed applications will be accepted. **For detailed information on CPD program requirements, application instructions, FAQs and more, please visit the CPD page on the COPS website at www.cops.usdoj.gov/Default.asp?Item=2682.**

We hope you find this information useful. If you have any questions, please e-mail Jon Moran at jmoran@njslom.com

Very truly yours,

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Executive Director

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