

Finance

Ord. No. 664-2022

## Mayor's Office of Prevention, Intervention and Opportunity for Youth and Young Adults

**Administrative Ordinance Summary**  
**"Cleveland Project Thrive"**

**Background/Purpose:**

This legislation authorizes the Director of Finance to apply for and accept a grant from the U. S. Department of Justice (DOJ); Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) to implement Community Based Violence Intervention and Prevention Initiative (CVIPI) grant program, "Cleveland Project Thrive".

This program furthers the Department's mission by supporting community violence intervention and prevention efforts.

**Goal:** The overall goal of the program is to expand and enhance the City of Cleveland's community violence intervention and prevention strategy by improving coordination and collaboration between community violence intervention and prevention initiative (CVIPI) partners, which includes the city, the county, CBOs, and hospital-based trauma centers, violence prevention programs, and the community writ large.

**Objectives:**

- coordinating violence prevention and intervention community- and hospital-based programs and organizations, as well as city-led initiatives by emphasizing shared language, evidence-based practices, outcomes, and data-informed and driven decision-making, as well as, improving service provision of community violence prevention (CVI) programming with best practices in trauma- and victim-centered care through shared training and practices;
- completing a community needs assessment to avoid service duplication and realign resources to best respond to community needs;
- convening a broader multidisciplinary stakeholder group to develop a new community-wide plan.

<b>Estimated Program Budget:</b>	\$2,162,308.00		
	(Year 1)	(Year 2)	(Year 3)
	\$721,938.00	\$754,038.00	\$686,332.00

**Grant Period:** October 1, 2022 – September 30, 2025 (36 months)

<b>Program Funding Sources:</b>	United States Department of Justice Bureau of Justice (BJA) O-BJA-2022-171282		
	(Year 1)	(Year 2)	(Year 3)
	\$584,138.00	\$724,438.00	\$686,332.00

<b>Additional funding support:</b>	Cleveland Foundation	\$167,400 total	
	(Year 1)	(Year 2)	(Year 3)
	\$137,800.00	\$29,600.00	\$00.00

**Total BJA requested amount: \$1,994,908.00**

**2020 PROGRAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

The Office of Prevention, Intervention and Opportunity for Youth and Young Adults provides a variety of high-quality programs and initiatives that connect youth and young adults to support systems, jobs and recreational and educational opportunities to reduce violence and support the development of the knowledge/skills necessary for success in school, the workforce, home and community.

- Approximately 29 unique programs offered across 22 Neighborhood Resource and Recreation Centers (NRRCs) and one residential camp.
- Social Support Services Specialists serving in Neighborhood Resource and Recreation Centers to connect youth and adults to community based resources and support services.
- Social Support Services Specialists collaborate with NRRC Managers to develop programs and other offerings in the NRRCs for youth and adults based on the needs of the community.

Additionally, the Office of Prevention, Intervention and Opportunity for Youth and Young Adults collaborates with the Community Relations Board to provide Diversion and Reentry programs.

- The FreshStart Reentry Mentoring Program is designed for paroled and incarcerated youth within (2) ODYS facilities, Cuyahoga Hills and Indian River Juvenile Correctional Facilities. All youth returning to the City of Cleveland from Cuyahoga Hills and Indian River Juvenile Correctional Facilities must be referred to the City of Cleveland Fresh Start Reentry Program.
- The FreshStart Diversion program is designed to provide non-adjudicated youth, ages 13 – 15 and 16 – 19, referred through the courts system, with wrap-around support services and enrichment opportunities to assist them with improving life outcomes.

**“COMMUNITY BASED VIOLENCE INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION INITIATIVE “PROJECT THRIVE” GOALS:**

This grant will work to build cohesion, collaboration, and shared practices, provide administrative and project support to CVIPI CBOs by focusing on building shared trust, outcomes, and best practices among CBO and city partners; working with trained facilitators to create a shared vision among CVIPI partners to enhance service provision and reduce service and

programming redundancy; cultivating more CVIPI partners to participate in the community needs assessment, learning best practices, and critical trauma-informed and victim-centered care; and building a pipeline of younger, critical and credible messengers to communicate with victims of violence, improve services and provide critical incident response management. Building relationships with a multidisciplinary community group to convene systems level partners in support of the development of a community-wide plan for violence prevention. Finally, this grant will help our other planning efforts by providing critical dollars to CBOs and the city, which are designing innovative programs, and including victims of violence in both the community-wide plan and the training design, so that all partners can use helpful communication techniques to reduce victims' traumatization and increase their access to social services.

### **PARTNERSHIPS:**

#### **Cleveland Foundation**

**Mission:** The Cleveland Foundation's mission is to enhance the lives of all residents of Greater Cleveland, now and for generations to come, by working together with our donors to build community endowment, address needs through grantmaking, and provide leadership on key community issues

**Responsibilities:** Annual contract with core partner for this position. Coordination of community-based violence interruption, prevention, and intervention initiatives (CVIPI) within Cleveland and the surrounding communities. The community project manager will build one-to-one relationships with neighborhood partners, who are working to reduce and intervene in local conflicts that perpetuate firearm, intimate partner, and community violence. In addition to coordinating community/grassroots violence prevention and intervention organizations, the project manager will work alongside the Project Manager I (Macro) working with the City of Cleveland on the community-wide plan, *Cleveland Thrive*.

#### **Case Western Reserve University Begun Center**

**Mission:** The Begun Center for Violence Prevention Research and Education promotes social justice and community development by conducting applied, community-based and interdisciplinary research on the causes and prevention of violence, and by educating and training social workers, teachers, law enforcement and other professionals in the principles of effective violence prevention. The Center also develops and evaluates the impact of evidence-based best practices in violence prevention and intervention, and seeks to understand the influence of mental health, substance use, youth development and related issues on violent behavior and public health. The Center seeks to advance knowledge through dissemination of information in the scientific literature and attempts to bridge the gap between science and practice to inform public policy related to violence prevention.

**Responsibilities:** serve as the evaluation partner for the Cleveland Thrive initiative. The Begun Center is governed by Case Western Reserve University's (CWRU) Policies on Individual Conflicts of Interest and Institutional Conflicts of Interest.

<b>BUDGET:</b>	<b>(Year 1)</b>	<b>(Year 2)</b>	<b>(Year 3)</b>
Di minimus rate	\$ 59,235.00	\$ 71,911.00	\$ 68,578.00

**Contracting Partners: \$1,293,500.00**

Cleveland Foundation	\$ 34,500.00	\$ 59,500.00	\$ 84,500.00
Case Western Reserve University	\$ 56,667.00	\$ 56,667.00	\$ 56,667.00
Violence Interruption orgs (RFP)	\$165,000.00	\$165,000.00	\$165,000.00
Innovative Programming orgs	\$ 75,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00

<b>OTHER:</b>	<b>Yr 1</b>	<b>Yr 2</b>	<b>Yr 3</b>	<b>Total</b>
(1) FTE Program Manager I (salary/benefits)	\$ 22,500.00	\$ 97,500.00	\$ 97,500.00	\$ 217,500.00
supplies and equipment	\$ 7,660.00	\$ 7,660.00	\$ 7,660.00	\$ 22,980.00
training	\$108,167.00	\$ 81,667.00	\$ 39,666.00	\$ 229,500.00
travel (including local bus tickets)	\$ 15,076.00	\$ 14,199.00	\$ 11,428.00	\$ 40,703.00
Other Direct Cost (Marketing, meeting space)	\$ 5,334.00	\$ 5,334.00	\$ 5,332.00	\$ 16,000.00
Service coordination planning	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 50,000.00

<b>TOTAL GRANT AWARD</b>	<b>\$1,994,908.00</b>
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