

Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG) Program

Overview

The LLEBG Program originated in the HR 728 Local Government Law Enforcement Block Grant Act of 1995, as passed by the House of Representatives. The Omnibus Fiscal Year 1996 Appropriations Act (USPL 104-134) authorized the Director of the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice, to make funds available to units of general purpose local government under the LLEBG Program for the purposes of reducing crime and improving public safety. BJA was authorized to administer the LLEBG Program. On Guam, the State Administrative Agency (SAA) for the LLEBG Program is the Bureau of Statistics and Plans. Description of Program

The purpose of the LLEBG Program is to provide units of general purpose local government with funds to underwrite projects to reduce crime and improve public safety. By law, these projects must be funded in accordance with the seven (7) legislatively mandated purpose areas.

- Purpose Area 1a: Supporting the hiring, training, and employing of additional law enforcement officers and necessary support personnel on a continuing basis;

- Purpose Area 1b: Paying overtime to presently employed law enforcement officers and necessary support personnel to increase the number of hours worked by such personnel; and

- Purpose Area 1c: Procuring equipment, technology, and other material directly related to basic law enforcement functions.

- Purpose Area 2: Enhancing security measures in and around schools and in and around any facility or location that is considered to have special risk for incidents of crime.

- Purpose Area 3: Establishing or supporting drug courts.

- Purpose Area 4: Enhancing the adjudication process of cases involving violent offenders, including the adjudication of cases involving violent juvenile offenders.

- Purpose Area 5: Establishing a multijurisdictional task force to prevent and control crime, particularly in rural areas, composed of law enforcement officials representing units of general purpose local government and Federal law enforcement officials.

- Purpose Area 6: Establishing crime prevention programs involving cooperation between community residents and law enforcement personnel to control, detect, or investigate crime or to prosecute criminals.
- Purpose Area 7: Paying for costs of indemnification insurance for law enforcement officers.