

Cook County Justice Advisory Council

#### Information Session:

Cook County Community Violence
Intervention & Wraparound Services for
Survivors of Gun Violence
Notice of Funding Opportunities





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#### **Grant Opportunity Information Session**



- Introductions & JAC Overview
- Grant Program Overviews & Application Timeline
- Cook County Community Violence Intervention Grants (CC-CVI)
  - Eligibility & Application Requirements
- Cook County Wraparound Services for Survivors of Gun Violence (CC-SGV)
  - Eligibility & Application Requirements
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- Q & A (40 minutes)

Questions may be submitted via the Q & A feature to be addressed at the end of the session. Time constraints may limit the number of questions addressed. Questions specific to a particular organization may not be addressed.



#### **Justice Advisory Council**

#### **MISSION**

To promote equitable, human-centered, community-driven justice system innovation and practice through rigorous stakeholder engagement, policy work, service coordination, and grantmaking that increases community safety and reduces reliance on incarceration.

Supporting and developing programs, initiatives and policies that are











# **Overview of Grant Opportunities**





CC-CVI and CC-SGV are complementary grant initiatives designed to improve community safety in Cook County.

Building on historic levels of investment, the initiatives will sustain key services beyond ARPA, ensuring those closest to the gun violence crisis can access critical programs and services.

"These thoughtfully designed grant opportunities will strengthen the local community safety ecosystem by reaching and supporting two groups of residents: those most at risk of being involved in gun violence and those who are survivors of gun violence. By supporting our most vulnerable residents, we build safer communities for all."



# **Grant Opportunity Timeline**





March 17, 2025	Both CC-CVI and CC-SGV NOFOs released on CookCountyIL.gov/JACGrants
March 27, 2025	Pre-Submittal Conference *Optional
April 14, 2025, 5:00pm	Applications for both CC-CVI and CC-SGV are due by 5:00pm CST via Online Application Submission
June 2025	Anticipated Cook County Board Meetings to approve grant awards





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The Cook County Community Violence Intervention (CC-CVI) grant initiative will provide services to residents at risk of being involved in gun violence



#### Cook County

**Community Violence Intervention Grants** 



# **Grant Overview**

	Cook County Community Violence Intervention (CC-CVI) Grants
Description	CC-CVI funding is being issued as part of the <u>Government Alliance for Safe</u> <u>Communities (GASC)</u> collaborative investment strategy. This NOFO will fund a comprehensive Violence Prevention program that utilizes evidence-based programming and services to engage individuals at the highest risk of firearm violence including street outreach, case management, and victim services.
Funding	JAC anticipates making approximately \$20,000,000 available to fund 24-month grant awards under this opportunity. Anticipated average award amount is \$1,150,000 (15 – 17 awards) over a 2-year period.
Application Period	Applications will open March 17, 2025 and are due April 14, 2025 at 5:00 pm.



# **CC-CVI Eligibility Criteria**

- Non-profit status: Applicant, lead applicants, or fiscal agents must be a community based nonprofit organization with a 501c(3) status or 501c(4) status at the time of application submission.
- <u>Budget</u>: Must demonstrate annual operating budgets for at least current and previous year of equal or greater than \$500,000.
- <u>Geography</u>: Be headquartered in Cook County (operating and providing services within the City of Chicago or Suburban Cook County) and provide services in an RPSA eligible service area (see RPSA service area chart). Lead applicants proposing to serve primarily suburban Cook County must be headquartered in suburban Cook County. Lead applicants primarily serving the City of Chicago must be headquartered in the City.
- <u>Experience</u>: Must provide services in all three required CVI service categories (Street Outreach, Case Management, Victim Services) consistent with the requirements of this NOFO. Applicant must have a minimum of 2 years of experience providing services to high-risk individuals in the RPSA service area designated in the grant application.
- Applicant must be financially solvent; and each of its members, if a joint venture, its employees, agents or subcontractors at any level must be competent to perform the work and services required under the NOFO.
- Applicant must be in good standing and licensed in any areas of service which require licensure.
- Additional Criteria:
  - CC-CVI applicants are not eligible to apply as lead applicants for funding under the CC-SGV NOFO.
  - Organizations with an existing JAC grant are eligible to apply however, the JAC reserves the right to adjust budgets and services for flexibility across initiatives.



### Eligible RPSA Geographic Areas

Applicant must serve an area in at least one geographic cluster where the proposed project will be implemented. Listed are community areas and municipalities with the highest concentrations of shooting incidents in a given cluster.

RPSA* Eligible Service Areas for Suburban Cook County	RPSA* Eligible Service Areas for City of Chicago
Cluster #1 County Suburb South Key Municipalities: Calumet City Cluster (includes Calumet City, Harvey, Dolton, Riverdale, South Holland, Markham, and Lansing) Chicago Heights Cluster (includes Chicago Heights, Park Forest, and Sauk Village)	Cluster #1 Chicago South Key Community Areas: Ashburn, Burnside, Chicago Lawn, Fuller Park, Greater Grand Crossing, New City, South Shore, Washington Park, Woodlawn Englewood, West Englewood, Auburn Gresham, Roseland, Chatham, West Pullman, South Chicago, South Deering, Southwest Cluster: Lower West Side, Brighton Park, Gage Park, McKinley Park, and Near West Side
Cluster #2 County Suburb West Key Municipalities: Maywood-Bellwood Cluster Berwyn Cicero Cluster	Cluster #2 Chicago West Key Community Areas: Austin, North Lawndale, South Lawndale, Humboldt Park, West Garfield Park, East Garfield Park,
*RPSA = Reimagine Public Safety Act, as designated by the IL Dept of Human Services	<u>Cluster #3 Northside Cluster</u> Key Community Areas: Belmont Cragin, Hermosa, Logan Square, Avondale, Irving Park, Albany Park, Near Northside and West Town



### **CC-CVI Service Categories & Program Design**

Applicants are required to design programming that covers 3 mandatory service categories:



**Street Outreach:** Street outreach workers mediate conflicts and prevent retaliatory violence between those who are at risk of being involved in gun violence. This includes utilizing "credible messengers" with lived experience and community ties to disrupt cycles of violence/retaliation between informal street groups/street organizations, crews, cliques, and street networks. Street outreach workers will engage with high-risk individuals in a variety of settings, including parks, homes, street corners, community centers, schools, hospitals, typically in the afternoons, evenings, or late at night.



**Case Management**: Uses a case manager or case team to complete an intake assessment, develop a case plan, and provide or connect individuals to identified resources and services. Programming and services may include effective emotional or trauma related therapies, legal aid services, housing services, employment training, job placement services, family engagement, and other support services. Services can be provided directly or through linkages with other providers.



**Victim Services:** Victim services workers/advocates helps families and victims of violence recover from physical and emotional trauma by empowering them with skills, services, and opportunities. Where possible, services should be coordinated among providers to prevent victims and families from being overwhelmed with multiple providers.

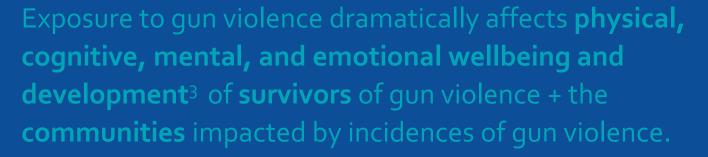
Mandatory services may be provided either directly or through subaward-award but an applicant can sub-award no more than 2 of the 3 mandatory services.











Direct and indirect survivors are at greater risk of perpetrating violence, experiencing further victimization or exposure to violence. <sup>16</sup>

Our communities are less safe when direct and indirect **survivors of gun violence** cannot access critical services, essential to healing from the effects of violence.







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The Cook County Wraparound Services for Survivors of Gun Violence (CC-SGV) grant initiative will address the gap in services for victims/survivors of gun violence, focusing on three priorities: access, expanding existing services, and coordination of services.



#### Cook County

Wraparound Services for Survivors of Gun Violence



### **Grant Overview**

	Wraparound Services for Survivors of Gun Violence (CC-SGV)
Description	Cook County will offer a 'Wraparound Services for Survivors of Gun Violence' grant opportunity to address the gap in services for victims/survivors of gun violence, focusing on three priorities: access, expanding existing services, and coordination of services.
Funding	The JAC will award up to \$10 million in CC-SGV grants to support those directly impacted by gun violence in the City of Chicago (\$5 million) and suburban Cook County (\$5 million). Awarded organizations will receive up to \$500,000 in funding (approximately 20 awards) over two years.
Application Period	Applications open March 17, 2025 and are due April 14, 2025 at 5:00pm.



# **CC-SGV Eligibility Criteria**

- <u>Non-profit status</u>: Applicant, lead applicants, or fiscal agents must be a community based nonprofit organization with a 501c(3) status or 501c(4) status at the time of application submission.
- <u>Budget</u>: Must demonstrate annual operating budgets for at least current and previous year of equal or greater than \$500,000.
- <u>Geography</u>: Be headquartered in Cook County (operating and providing services within the City of Chicago or Suburban Cook County); Lead applicants proposing to serve primarily suburban Cook County must be headquartered in suburban Cook County. Lead applicants primarily serving the City of Chicago must be headquartered in the City.
- <u>Experience</u>: Demonstrate at least 3 three years of experience of working with, serving and supporting Survivors of Gun Violence in Cook County.
- Applicant must be financially solvent; and each of its members, if a joint venture, its employees, agents or subcontractors at any level must be competent to perform the work and services required under the NOFO.
- Applicant must be in good standing and licensed in any areas of service which require licensure.
- Additional Criteria:
  - CC-SGV applicants are **not eligible** to apply as lead applicants for funding under the Cook County Community Violence Intervention (CC-CVI) NOFO.
  - Existing JAC grant recipients are not eligible to submit an application under this funding announcement as lead applicants.



# **CC-SGV Service Categories**

Applicants must propose a program that is responsive to and provides services in at least two (2) of the following categories:



#### Category 1: Clinical Services

- Clinical case management
- Crisis intervention and management
- Mental health support
- Family based services and therapy
- Substance use disorder assistance



# Category 2: Financial Services

- Victim compensation
- Medical cost assistance
- Financial support for:
  - Rent
  - Clothing
  - Grocery bills
  - Funeral/burial costs
- Support in applying for public assistance



# Category 3: Programming

- Youth-specific programming
- Long-term support (ex. more than 1 year postviolence)
- Mentorship programs
- Survivor workshops
- Services for indirect victims
- Conflict Resolution classes
- Unarmed social workers at the crime scene
- Funeral arrangements and planning
- Expungement support



#### Category 4: Housing Services

- Relocation services
- Temporary Housing



# **Summary of Grant Opportunities**

The CC-CVI and CC-SGV grant opportunities follow the same application timeline and process and have many of the same eligibility criteria.

The below chart highlights the distinct features of the funding opportunities.





CC-CVI	CC-SGV			
Funding services for those most at risk of being involved in gun violence.	Funding services for survivors of gun violence and their families.			
Must provide services in 3 key categories: 1. Street Outreach, 2. Case Management, 3. Victim Services (see service category chart). Subawards can account for no more than 2 service areas.	Must provide services under at least 2 of the 4 service categories: 1. Clinical Services, 2. Financial Services, 3. Programming, 4. Housing Services (see service category chart).			
Must serve at least one RPSA Eligible Service Area in Chicago or Suburban Cook County (see RSPA service area chart).	May serve any area of Chicago or Suburban Cook County.			
All eligible community-based organizations may apply (see eligibility chart for full criteria).	Eligible community-based organizations without current JAC grants/funding may apply (see eligibility chart for full criteria).			
* Organizations may not apply (as the lead applicant) for both opportunities, they must select CC-CVI or CC-SGV.				



#### **Next Steps**





#### TO APPLY:

- 1. Download NOFO & application guide from <a href="CookCountylL.gov/JACGrants">CookCountylL.gov/JACGrants</a> (available 3/17/25)
- Attend Optional Pre-Submittal Conference (3/27/25) and/or submit any questions to JAC.Info@CookCountyIL.gov
- 2. Complete your application and gather all required documentation
- 3. Return to the JAC grants website to submit your application:
  - Input your organization's general information and preferred contact for the grant
  - Upload your completed application and required documentation
  - Click submit \*this is your final submission

\*It is recommended to submit early to avoid a potential delay caused by a high volume of last-minute applications.



#### Questions



# Please submit questions using the Q & A chat feature



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