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Governor Hogan Announces $3.4 Million in Grant Funding for Expansion of Boys and Girls Clubs, Crime Reduction Efforts

Awards Support Long-Term Investments in Young People, Collaborative Law Enforcement Efforts

ANNAPOLIS, MD—Governor Larry Hogan today announced $3.4 million in **Edward J. Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant** (BJAG) awards for local projects that support efforts to reduce crime in Maryland. Half of the funding will be allocated to the Maryland Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs, led by the Boys & Girls Club of Metropolitan Baltimore, for the expansion of Clubs in areas identified through the Maryland Criminal Intelligence Network (MCIN) initiative.

"Keeping our citizens and communities safe has been a top priority of our administration since day one," said Governor Hogan. "In addition to funding to help reduce crime in Maryland, this critical investment for the Boys and Girls Clubs will ensure that our young people have access to safe after-school learning environments and programs that encourage opportunities and growth."

With this funding, the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services continues to build upon its comprehensive crime reduction strategy, which is based on a three-pronged approach to support and enhance law enforcement, prevention, and victim services. This approach includes strategies for building a robust support system for victims of crime within the State of Maryland, prioritizing a system that reduces adverse childhood experiences in our youth population, and supporting collaborative enforcement efforts that target gangs, drug, firearms, and human trafficking organizations.

"Boys and Girls Clubs connect young people to caring adults and activities through mentoring and after school programs," said Executive Director Glenn Fueston of the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services. "Making long-term investments in Maryland's young people, prioritizing their well-being, and creating opportunities for positive community interaction are keys to creating conditions for them to succeed now, and long into the future."

The $1.7 million awarded to the **Maryland Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs** will benefit an estimated 5,000 young people in Maryland, by supporting evidence-based and evidence-informed youth development programs at nearly 40 Club locations. The funding will also support expanded services, including virtual and mobile programming developed during the COVID-19 pandemic, new Club

County, Carroll County, Dorchester County, Frederick County, Harford County, Prince George's County, Montgomery County, and Washington County. Additionally, the expansion will create more opportunities for positive interaction between young people and members of law enforcement who work, live, and volunteer in their communities.

"Boys & Girls Clubs of America is thrilled to support our Maryland Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs and affiliates across the state, and to partner with the Boys & Girls Clubs of Metropolitan Baltimore as a lead agent," said Jim Clark, President of the Boys & Girls Clubs of America. "We appreciate Governor Larry Hogan's strong commitment to our mission and expansion efforts, and look forward to working closely with his administration to implement quality, evidenced-based programs across the state, in MCIN communities, and helping to create a safer Maryland."

The remainder of the BJAG funding will be awarded to government agencies for a range of initiatives to benefit communities across the state including evidence-based law enforcement crime reduction strategies, agency transitions to the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) by January 2021, and law enforcement officer wellness initiatives:

County	Organization	Project	Award Amount
Allegany	Cumberland Police Department	2021 CPD Drug Enforcement Program	$59,820
Allegany	Allegany County Board of Commissioners	Allegany County Sheriff's Office Technology Improvements Initiative for Patrol & Corrections	$47,614
Anne Arundel	Annapolis City Police Department	Exploring Predictive Policing with Machine Learning	$100,000
Baltimore City	Baltimore Police Department	Baltimore Police Department's Information Dashboard Project	$100,000
Baltimore County	Baltimore County Police Department	NIBRS Implementation Project	$100,000
Carroll	Carroll County Sheriff's Office	Carroll County Sheriff's Office Wellness 360 Initiative	$70,910
Charles	Charles County Sheriff's Office	Training Enhancement Program	$55,000
Frederick	Thurmont Police Department	Communications Technology Replacement Project	$36,160
Howard	Howard County Police Department	Advanced Technology & Training for Violent Crime Reduction	$32,695
Montgomery	Montgomery County, Maryland	Computer Replacement Project	$68,093
Prince George's	Edmonston Police Department	Edmonston Police Communications Replacement Project	$48,128
Prince George's	Prince George's County Office Of The Sheriff	Warrant Apprehension	$100,000
Somerset	Somerset County Sheriff's Office	Multi-Agency NIBRS Compliant RMS	$296,335
St. Mary's	St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office	Youth Gun Violence Reduction Initiative	$100,000
Washington	Washington County Sheriff's Office	Navigating COVID in a Safe Interview Room	$18,526
Wicomico	Salisbury Police Department	NIBRS Compliance Training	$15,000
	Salisbury Police	Exploring Predictive Policing with	

Worcester	Department	Avenue	
Caroline	Caroline County Sheriff's Office	Police Body Camera Digital Video Project	$75,930
Cecil	Town of Perryville	Perryville Police Department Youth Support and Crime Prevention Outreach Program	$69,152
Dorchester	Town of Vienna	Video Evidence Program	$28,990

Dorchester	Dorchester County Sheriff's Office	Technology and Equipment Upgrade for Community Support and Policing	$19,592
Dorchester	Cambridge Police Department	Officer Wellness – Stress Treatment	$8,000
Dorchester	Hurlock Police Department	Safety Training and Equipment Program	$9,000
Garrett	Oakland Police Department	Digital In-Car Camera System	$18,074
Washington	Town of Boonsboro	Technology	$26,800
Wicomico	Fruitland Police Department	Mobile Surveillance Trailer	$34,360
Wicomico	Town of Pittsville	Community Violence Prevention Training and Equipment Program	$5,035
Worcester	Pocomoke City Police Department	Weapons and Drug Trafficking Reduction Initiative	$15,750
Worcester	Town of Berlin	Palm Scanner Purchase	$18,000

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