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COMMISSION ON CRIME
AND DELINQUENCY

FY 2021 Gun Violence Reduction Grants Program

Information for Prospective Applicants

June 2021



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About PCCD

Mission: To enhance the quality, coordination, and planning within the criminal and juvenile justice systems, to facilitate the delivery of services to victims of crime, and to increase the safety of our communities.

- **Grants** – PCCD administers state and federal funding through grants of all types – mainly for criminal and juvenile justice and related systems, victim services, prevention, and public safety.
- **Technical Assistance** – We provide technical assistance for a variety of programs and initiatives.
- **Data Resources** – Serve as a statistical resource for criminal justice and public safety data (e.g., digital dashboards, PA Youth Survey, etc.)
- **Victims Compensation** – Provide compensation to victims of crime for certain expenses incurred as a result of that crime.
- **Training** – Provide training for Constables, Sheriffs/Deputy Sheriffs, County Probation Officers, and other justice-related stakeholders.



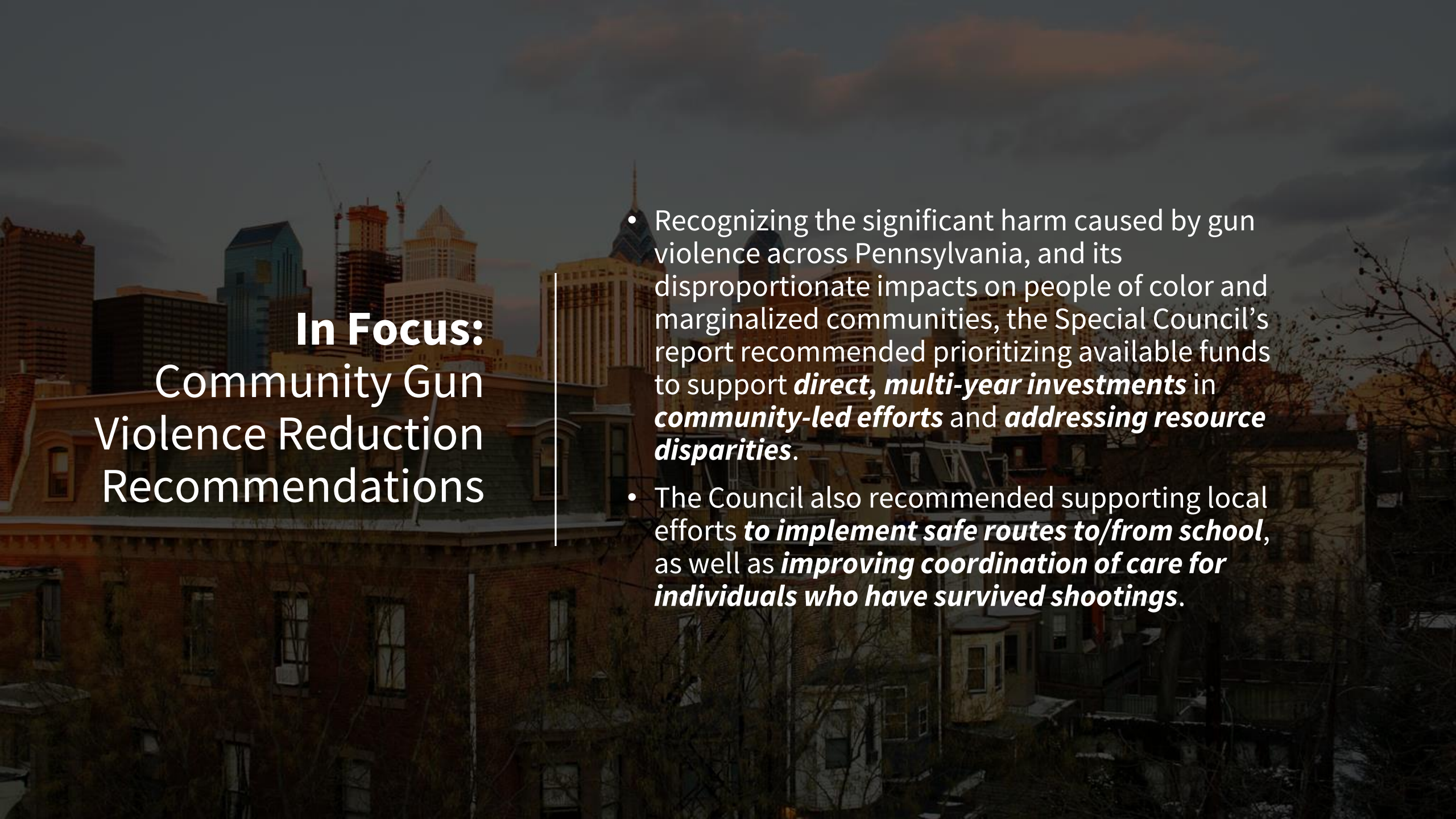
GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION & REDUCTION INITIATIVES

Over the past year, PCCD has listened to and learned from people and communities impacted by gun violence so we can direct financial resources and other supports toward necessary and effective work.

Executive Order 2019-06

- Signed into effect by Governor Tom Wolf in August 2019, [Executive Order 2019-06](#) tasks state agencies with working together to identify and implement evidence-based initiatives to help address gun violence as a public health and public safety crisis.
- The Order created new entities within state government to support these efforts, including an [Office of Gun Violence Prevention](#) at PCCD.
- The Order also established an 18-member Special Council on Gun Violence within PCCD responsible for making recommendations to the Governor and Commission.
- The Special Council's [Final Report of Findings, Recommendations & Action Steps](#) was published in March 2020, establishing a roadmap for the work of PCCD's Office of Gun Violence Prevention.



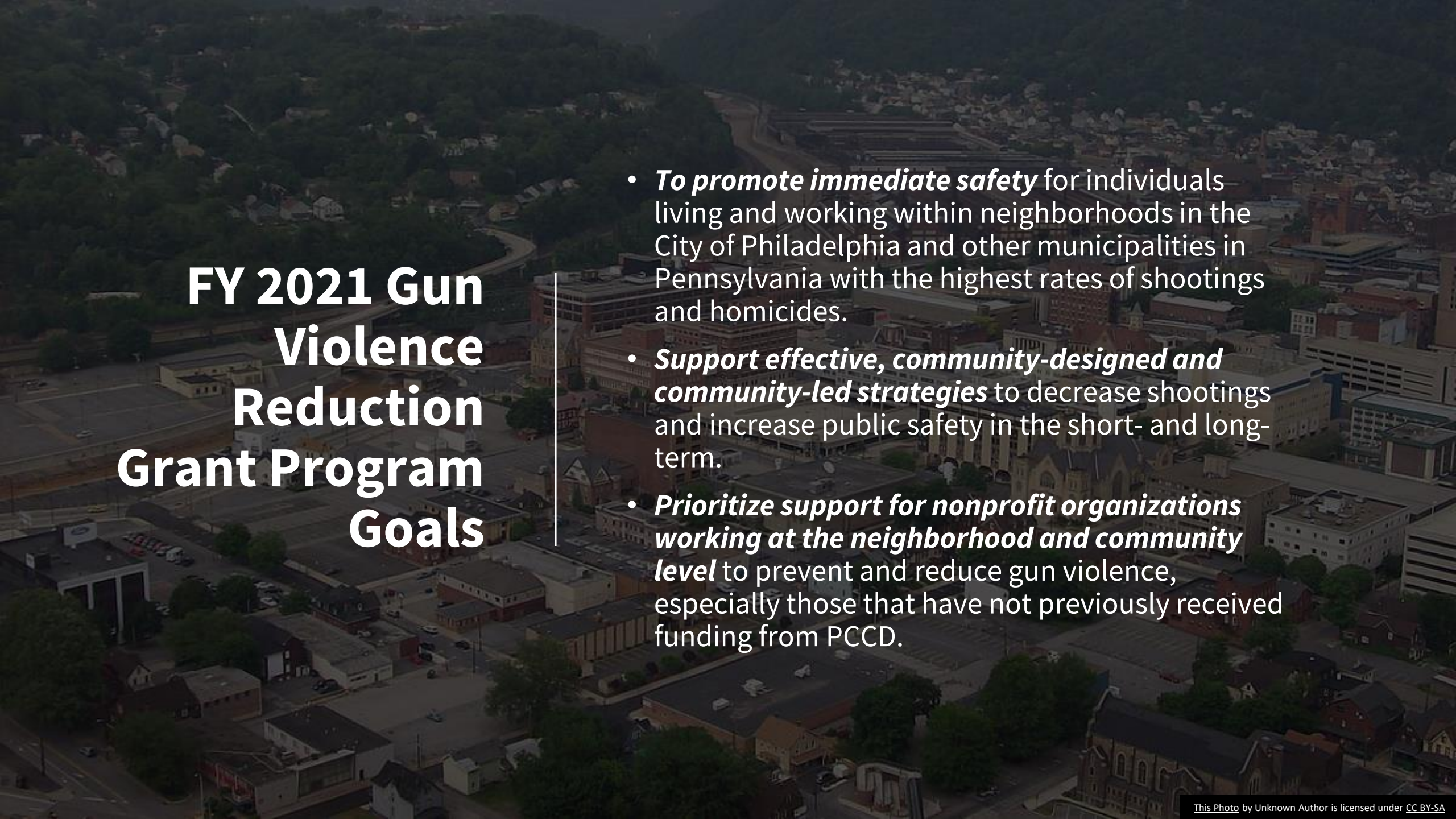


In Focus: Community Gun Violence Reduction Recommendations

- Recognizing the significant harm caused by gun violence across Pennsylvania, and its disproportionate impacts on people of color and marginalized communities, the Special Council's report recommended prioritizing available funds to support *direct, multi-year investments* in *community-led efforts* and *addressing resource disparities*.
- The Council also recommended supporting local efforts *to implement safe routes to/from school*, as well as *improving coordination of care for individuals who have survived shootings*.

PURPOSE OF FY 2021 GUN VIOLENCE REDUCTION GRANTS

On May 18, 2021, PCCD announced the availability of up to \$5 million in state FY 2021 Gun Violence Reduction Grant Program funds to support eligible applicants in areas of Pennsylvania with the highest rates of gun violence.

An aerial photograph of a city, likely Philadelphia, showing a river winding through the urban landscape. The image is dark and serves as a background for the text.

FY 2021 Gun Violence Reduction Grant Program Goals

- ***To promote immediate safety*** for individuals living and working within neighborhoods in the City of Philadelphia and other municipalities in Pennsylvania with the highest rates of shootings and homicides.
- ***Support effective, community-designed and community-led strategies*** to decrease shootings and increase public safety in the short- and long-term.
- ***Prioritize support for nonprofit organizations working at the neighborhood and community level*** to prevent and reduce gun violence, especially those that have not previously received funding from PCCD.

Funding Announcement Overview

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Nonprofit organizations

Units of local government

PROJECT PERIOD

33 months

Start Date:
October 1, 2021

BUDGET

Maximum
\$225,000

No match
requirement

Final budgets to be
determined with
PCCD in the final
application process.

Eligible Activities & Approaches

1. **Street outreach and violence interruption programs** utilizing credible messengers;
2. Community-designed strategies to **increase availability of safe routes and transportation options** for youth and adults (e.g., *Safe Corridors, Safe Passages*, etc.);
3. **Identification, outreach, and engagement** of individuals who are most likely to be victims and/or perpetrators of gun violence and **providing tailored supports** (e.g., *case management, service planning, referrals to community-based partners for education, employment, behavioral health, and other basic needs*);
4. **Improve coordination of care** for individuals who have experienced firearm-related injuries (e.g., hospital-based violence intervention);
5. **Strengthen pre-release interventions, services, and supports** for individuals and provide comprehensive reentry programs;
6. **Trauma-informed approaches** to support gun violence victims and their family, friends, and loved ones;
7. **Community-driven crime prevention through environmental design** (CPTED) strategies (e.g., *low-cost blight reduction, treatment of vacant lots*);
8. Other violence prevention, intervention, and/or response strategies that demonstrate promise in meeting the goals of this program.

What activities and expenses can be supported with grant funding?

1. Salaries and benefits for personnel (full-time or part-time), including overtime;
2. Contractors/consultants;
3. Facilitating referrals to community-based service providers and programs (including incentives and/or stipends for participants);
4. Supplies and equipment;
5. Training;
6. Travel/transportation expenses (including vehicle leases);
7. Indirect costs not exceeding 10% of total project budget; and
8. Other activities necessary to meet the needs of programs and participants.



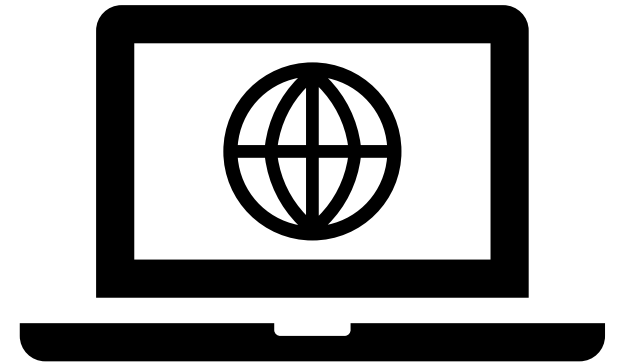
What activities and expenses **can't** be supported with grant funding?

1. Indirect costs exceeding 10% of total project budget;
2. Research and evaluation (e.g., data analysis, focus groups, etc.);
3. Construction;
4. Land acquisition;
5. Lobbying and political contributions;
6. Vehicle purchases; and
7. Honoraria or bonuses.



Initial Funding Request Form & Application Process

- Eligible organizations should submit an initial request for funding using an online form (Survey Monkey).
 - You can access the request form here:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PCCD2021GunViolence>
 - Initial request form submissions are due June 30, 2021 at 11:59 PM.
- Applicants selected in the initial round of requests will then be asked to complete a formal application in PCCD's Egrants System.
- Final recommendation of projects will be made following the receipt and review of applications in Egrants.

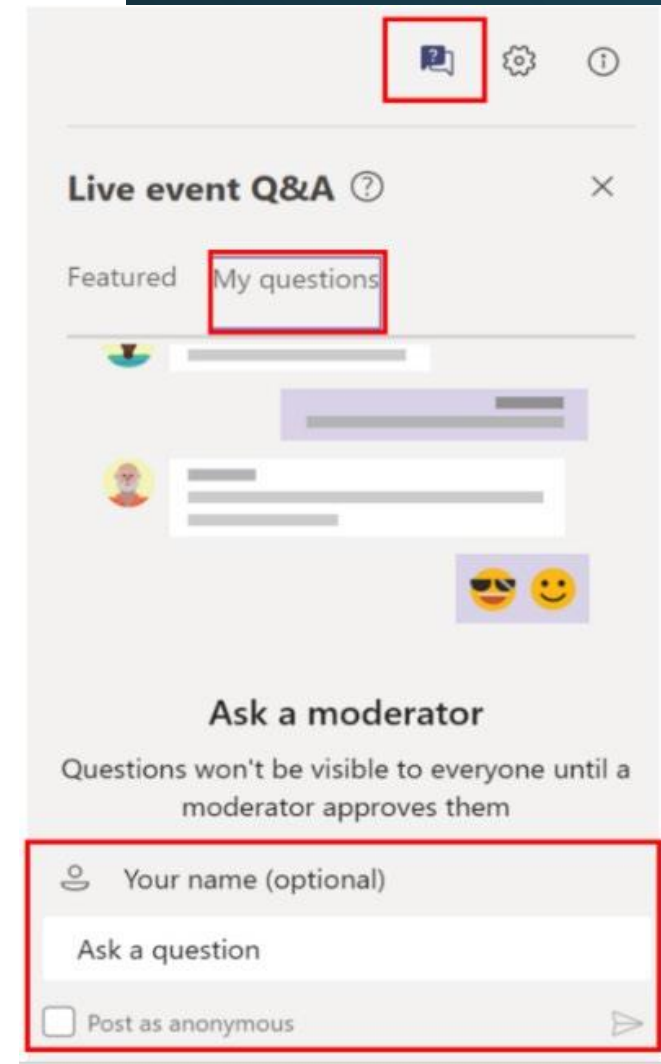


Funding Timeline & Next Steps



Questions?

- Please use the “Q&A” feature to submit your question(s), if you haven’t already done so.
- PCCD staff are reviewing and will answer as many questions/topics as we can over the next 20-25 minutes.
- As a reminder, to the extent possible, any questions that we are not able to address in today’s webinar will be answered on the Q&A section of PCCD’s website.



Additional Information & Resources

- PCCD's [Gun Violence webpage / "Grants & Funding" tab](#)
 - [FY 2021 Gun Violence Reduction Grant Program Summary Document](#)
 - [Initial Funding Request Online Survey Form \(Survey Monkey\)](#)
 - Reference Document – [FY21 Gun Violence Reduction Grants SurveyMonkey Form Questions](#)
- [PCCD "Funding and Grants Process" resource page](#) – *Includes information on registering for PCCD's Egrants System, an overview of the competitive grant process, FAQs, grants financial management resources, and grants training.*
- [PCCD Egrants System resource page](#)
- [PCCD's 2021-2025 Strategic Framework](#)



Questions about the FY 2021 Gun Violence Reduction Grant Program?

Questions regarding this funding opportunity can be directed to PCCD staff at RA-PCCD_ExecutiveOfc@pa.gov with "2021 Gun Violence Reduction Grants" in the subject line. PCCD staff will review inquiries and post answers to questions regarding this grant program in the "Gun Violence" section of its Funding Q&A webpage [here](#) through June 29, 2021.