Rural Violent Crime Reduction Initiative for Law Enforcement Grant Proposal Narrative Template

# Instructions: Complete all sections as thoroughly as possible. The proposal narrative should be between four to six pages. Update the above title [AGENCY NAME] Rural Violent Crime Reduction Initiative Proposal Narrative and remove the instructions from the template prior to submission. Save the Word document as “Agency/Department Name\_RVCRI Grant” and upload with your application. See the RVCRI Grant Application Solicitation for additional information and instructions and the RVCRI Grant Application Portal User Guide for a detailed guide of the application portal.

# Description of the issue

Clearly articulate the rural violent crime problem(s) your application seeks to address, incorporating supporting violent crime data. The proposed project and the services, equipment, and personnel included in the budget request must have a clear and compelling nexus to the violent crime problem(s) identified in the application.  
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# Project design and implementation

Describe existing or planned interventions or programmatic enhancements intended to address your jurisdiction’s violent crime challenges. Applicants are encouraged to include multiple approaches or problem-solving analysis processes. Each approach should align with one or more violent crime reduction critical elements. Critical elements include community engagement, partnerships, technology, analytics and intelligence, training, tactics, resources and sustainability, and accountability.

Discuss your agency’s organizational capabilities or competencies to address this problem and how your agency would work with the training and technical assistance (TTA) provider to refine approaches and monitor progress throughout the grant performance period.

List project partners (including criminal justice partners, community organizations, and service providers) involved in program implementation.

Clearly identify the individual(s) within your agency who will be responsible for implementing the grant and the individual(s) administrating the grant (i.e., financial responsibility).

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# Plan for measuring success and outcomes and program sustainability

Outline a proposed plan on how your agency will measure success and outcomes that demonstrate the results of the work performed under the award connected to a problem-solving framework, such as the [SARA Model](https://popcenter.asu.edu/content/sara-model-0). Describe your agency’s willingness to work with the TTA provider on implementation, outcome tracking, and final report production. There should be a clear goal statement with identified benchmarks if benchmarks are applicable. The TTA provider will support success and outcome measurement collection.

Discuss how your agency will sustain the project beyond the grant period.

***Note****:* Applicants are not required to submit metrics with the application. Rather, outcome measure information is included as an indication of the data that successful applicants will be required to submit as part of the reporting requirements under an award.

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