

Commerce, Justice, Science

Recipient: Dauphin County Human Service Directors Office

Amount Requested: \$450,000

Recipient's Address: Dauphin County Administration Building
2 South Second Street, 5th Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17101

Project Description: This project will continue the dynamic expansion innovative practice currently being implemented throughout Dauphin County. Family Group Conferencing is a practice that recognizes the expertise of extended family, friends, neighbors, ministers and all others who care about a child.

The process of FGC has already demonstrated significant positive outcomes including, but not limited to, significant reduction in recidivism for both the youth and siblings, significant increase in family/community ownership of the problems/solutions; increase interaction/involvement of the local faith based community, reduction on family reliance/dependence on government for answers to family struggles.

This practice dramatically changes the way youth/families are engaged in the helping process as it related to abused, neglected and delinquent youth. By partnering more intensely with the faith community, school districts and local leaders, the expansion project will provide needed training and assistance to fully implement. By using FGC issues such as truancy, poor academic performance, delinquency behavior and early signs of abuse can be addressed.

Recipient: Northern Berks Regional Police Department

Amount Requested: \$175,000

Recipient's Address: 37 Ontelaunee Dr.
Reading, PA 19605

Project Description: The Northern Berks Regional Police Department is seeking to upgrade several areas of technology infrastructure to increase police officer production by reducing repetitive data entry tasks and enhancing officer safety by upgrading communication equipment to allow for reduced response and total time on calls for service, increasing officer availability to the residents we serve.

Recipient: Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence

Amount Requested: \$377,081

Recipient's Address: 6400 Flank Drive, Suite 1300
Harrisburg, PA 17112

Project Description: The PCADV's Training, Education and Prevention Institute will create innovative educational and prevention focused trainings for the 61 community-based programs that are providing life-saving services to victims of domestic violence in Pennsylvania. These programs have served approximately 100,000 victims of domestic violence and their children this past year. One of PCADV's top priorities and greatest challenges is helping local community-based domestic violence programs develop and enhance the skills of their staff.

Recipient: Tamaqua Borough Police Department

Amount Requested: \$200,000

Recipient's Address: 320 East Broad Street
Tamaqua, PA 18252

Project Description: The Tamaqua Police Department seeks to install video cameras at key locations in the Borough. This will increase security in the Borough and help make our community a safer place to live. This will also aid other law enforcement agencies in the investigation and apprehension of suspects. Due to SR309 and SR209 being major traffic routes between New York, Reading, Allentown and Philadelphia we will be able to monitor the traffic of vehicles traveling on these routes. When a major crime occurs and we have a description of the vehicle, we will be able to monitor the traffic going through our Borough and assist in locating and apprehending suspects wanted for crimes in other areas.