



VIP & BOOST FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Solicitations below are open to institutions of higher education, school districts, area career and technical centers, and libraries in Pennsylvania unless otherwise specified. Please select the solicitation that is the best fit for your proposed project:

SOLICITATION 1: FY 2024 Building Opportunities for Out-of-School Time (BOOST) Grants

- \$11.5 Million in funding is available to support statewide youth-serving nonprofit organizations and community-based nonprofit organizations providing out-of-school time (OST) programming for at-risk school-age youth.
- School districts, area career and technical centers, and libraries are eligible to apply for BOOST.
- Two BOOST application ‘tracks’:
 - **BOOST Track 1: Local BOOST Projects** supporting local OST structured programming opportunities for at-risk school-age youth. Maximum award is up to \$250,000 or 50% of operating expenditures for 24-month project starting February 1, 2025.
 - **BOOST Track 2: Statewide BOOST Projects** to support statewide youth-serving nonprofit organizations with 501(c)(4) status affiliated with a national organization applying for funds on behalf of three or more subrecipients providing OST programming for at-risk school-age youth. Maximum award is up to \$1.5 million for 24-month project starting February 1, 2025.
- Webinar for interested BOOST applicants: Oct. 2, 2024, 3-4 pm | [Registration Link](#)
- Funding Announcement and [SurveyMonkey Submittal Link](#)

SOLICITATION 2: FY 2024 VIP Grants

- Approximately \$40-45 Million in funding is available to support a wide range of intervention and response strategies designed to reduce community violence.
- Institutions of higher education are eligible to apply for VIP Grants.
- Two VIP application ‘tracks’:
 - **VIP Track 1: VIP Expansion, Enhancement, or Continuation Grants for Established Programs** to support existing, established programs and entities already in place for at least two years with demonstrated impact and organizational capacity managing grant funds. Maximum award is up to \$950,000 or 50% of operating expenditures for 36-month project starting March 1, 2025.
 - **VIP Track 2: VIP Start-up Grants** to provide financial, technical, and training support to grassroots organizations to help them launch programs and strengthen capacity. Will be required to participate in technical assistance and coaching supports. Maximum award is up to \$100,000 or 50% of operating expenditures for 18-month project starting March 1, 2025.
- Webinar for interested VIP applicants: Oct. 9, 2024, 3-4 pm | [Registration Link](#)
- [Funding Announcement](#) and [SurveyMonkey Submittal Link](#)

SOLICITATION 3: FY 2024 Collaborative Community Violence Intervention (CCVI) Strategies Grants

- Approximately \$5-6 Million in funding is available to support collaborative responses to community violence.
- Institutions of higher education are eligible to apply for CCVI Strategies Grants.
- Two CCVI application ‘tracks’:
 - **CCVI Track 1: Planning Grants** to provide funding for local jurisdictions (counties, municipalities) to support the development of violence reduction plans. Maximum award is up to \$75,000 or 50% of operating expenditures for 18-month project starting March 1, 2025.
 - **CCVI Track 2: Implementation Grants** to advance collaborative, community-driven strategies to reduce violence in counties and municipalities with the highest rates of gun incidents and increasing homicides from 2022 to 2023 that have a recently completed violence reduction plan developed with a [Violence Reduction Council](#) or similar body.

Maximum award is up to \$2 million (match required) for 36-month project starting March 1, 2025.

- Webinar for interested CCVI applicants: Oct. 10, 2024, 3-4 pm | [Registration Link](#)
- [Funding Announcement](#) and [Egrants Submittal Link](#)

ADDITIONAL PCCD SOLICITATIONS

- Entities are encouraged to check out PCCD's [Active Funding Announcements webpage](#) for a current list of all open funding solicitations.
- You can also sign up to receive email funding notifications [here](#).

Struggling with Egrants? If you are applying under the CCVI solicitation and need assistance with the Egrants system, first try the following online resources:

- Links to PCCD [Egrants Registration and user role guides](#)
- Use PCCD's [Egrants Help Guides](#) for step-by-step instructions on building each application section.
- Still struggling? Call PCCD's Egrants Help Desk at (717) 787-5887 or (800)692-7292 or email RA-eGrantsSupport@pa.gov.

Set up for success with SurveyMonkey... If you applying for funding via SurveyMonkey, use PCCD's templates to draft your application offline. Check each funding announcement for additional tips.

After reading the funding announcements, you still have questions...? First, check the updated Q&A documents for clarifications on funding announcements. Your question may already be answered there. You can find the Q&A documents for each funding announcement on this [site](#).

If you don't see a Q&A that matches your question, please email the VIP resource account at ra-cd-vipgrants@pa.gov.