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Chicago Project

USDA SUMMER OF SERVICE PROJECT IN CHICAGO

APPLICATION TIME-LINE

This year's Summer of Service program sponsored by the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) is aimed at crime and public safety. Therefore USDA will seek ways to sponsor summer programs that combine our traditional functions with combatting crime and improving public safety.

In conjunction with the Chicago High School of Agricultural Sciences, as well as with a partner school elsewhere in Chicago or its suburbs, USDA could help run a summer project aimed at mobilizing recent high school graduates with agricultural training to recruit gang members and other at-risk youth into running urban farms. The program participants would then help form community anti-crime patrols at the farms and create "safe-havens" surrounding the farms for other community activities.

This project could meet two Summer of Service goals set by CNCS:

- 1) Engage at-risk-youth who might otherwise engage in crime in productive activities
- 2) Reclaim public spaces from crime

We need to take the following steps in a very short period of time:

By Friday, March 4:

Obtain one full-time USDA staff member to work on project

Identify partner school

Identify project coordinator in Chicago

Meet with U.S. Department of Justice about crime issues

Meet with U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to determine possible sites for farms or gardens at public housing developments

Ask the City of Chicago to investigate potential parcels of land for development as farms

Contact the Illinois Commission on National and Community Service

Clarify legality of various funding sources

By Monday, March 7:

Identify any youth service partners

Identify any crime or urban farming partners

Speak with Chicago Police Department or other local law enforcement agencies

Identify any post-secondary educational institutions that might be partners

Identify USDA funding sources

Identify any private funding sources

Write detailed budget

By Tuesday, March 8:

Identify probable staff for project

Identify any training partner

Write recruitment plan

Write training plan

Write education plan

Write evaluation plan

By Wednesday, March 9:

Have lengthy conference call or site visit with all partners to finalize details of application

By Thursday, March 10:

Submit draft Summer of Service application to Secretary Espy

By Friday, March 11:

Edit complete Summer of Service application

By Monday, March 14:

Submit complete Summer of Service application to CNCS

Rough Draft for Use

The June 28

For release June 24, 1994

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Barbara H. Valerious, Project Director for the Summer of Safety AmeriCorps Project, announced today that the program is now underway. The project will train 50 AmeriCorps ~~the~~ members who will recruit, train and supervise a volunteer group of younger, at-risk youths to work on urban agriculture and community policing. Both groups will participate in urban farming, urban tree planting, environmental education and conflict resolution. These activities will help create places for community activities at public housing projects.

Participants will engage in urban farming, urban forestry and environmental education projects at two public housing projects: Madden and Ida B. Wells. Vacant areas at the sites will be used for gardens, educational meetings and community activities, tree planting and community window box gardening to beautify the areas and improve the environment.

The AmeriCorps projects, President Clinton's domestic volunteer corps for ~~national service~~ ~~community~~ national service, are

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Crew leaders for the Summer of Safety AmeriCorps Project include Karen Cole, Lisa Smith, and

Norberto Izquierdo, all Forest Service employees;
~~and~~ Paul O'Grady, County Executive Director, Winnebago
County, USDA Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation
Service and Carzella Pritchett, Soil Conservationist,
Palatine Field Office, USDA Soil Conservation
Service.

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CENTRAL STATES PUBLIC AFFAIRS
Weekly report, Week of 5/29/84

News release out on Summer of Safety VISTA program in Chicago (the Chicago Alliance for Neighborhood Safety [CANS]) to 8 major city media sources.

News release out on Summer of Safety VISTA program in Kansas City (the Community Development Corporation) to 10 major city media sources.

Set up interview on SOS with volunteers, project supervisors, and state office staff. Resulted in article on Summer of Safety on 6/2/84/ in the Kansas City Star Metropolitan Section.

Followed up on media inquiries about AmeriCorps from WLS-TV, Chicago; Marinette Eagle-Star, Marinette, Wisconsin; and Albuquerque Daily Lobo.

Provided NCCC fact sheet and news release on search team leaders from former national service volunteers to 70 newspapers in regions V and VI.

Networked with USDA Chicago representative and USDA Director of Volunteer Programs to make plans on Summer of Service publicity for Friends of Chicago Schools.

Worked with Oklahoma Department of Libraries VISTA program to provide recognition given to Literacy Council Handbook.

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April 25, 1994

Mr. Joel Berg
U.S. Department of Agriculture
14th Street & Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20250

Dear Joel:

Your application, Friends of Chicago High School of Agricultural Sciences Summer of Safety, has been selected for a Summer of Safety award of approximately \$130,000.00. Final award of a grant is contingent upon satisfactorily addressing the issues identified below and submission of an acceptable revised application and revised budget.

To facilitate our final SoS grant award process, please submit a letter or a revised application addressing the following requested changes and explanations. (You may send only the revised application pages with a cover letter if this is more convenient.)

- DOJ* — 1. Please limit the proposed SoS project to site #1 in Chicago. In addition, please provide confirmation that the one target site for the SoS program is the Ida B. Wells housing development.
CVSDA Determine empty lot
- DOJ + VSDA* — 2. Please identify the specific sites and the specific activities which are being recommended for the SoS program within Ida B. Wells (including the proposed site of a new "tot lot").
- DOJ* — 3. Please provide a letter of support from the Chicago Housing Authority which outlines its specific roles in and contributions to the SoS program.
- DOJ* — 4. Please provide a letter of support from the Chicago Police Department which outlines its specific roles in and coordination with the SoS program.
- DOJ* — 5. Please provide a detailed description of proposed plans to ensure the safety of the SoS participants and supervisors.

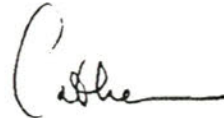
- DoJ-6. Please provide a detailed explanation of how the proposed project would have a direct impact on reducing or preventing the specific "crime and violence related problems" referred to in the application. Please consider including AHA's Project Peace, Victim Assistance Program, and Tenant Patrol Program in your plan to address these issues.
- DoJ-7. Please provide an explanation of the application's reference to how the SoS activities would work "in tandem with local community policing initiatives."
- DoJ/USDA-8. Please provide a detailed description of the proposed training for SoS participants.
- DoJ-9. Please provide an explanation of the technical assistance to be provided by the U.S. Department of Justice.
- USDA-10. Please provide additional information on the source for the purchase or donation of trees, plants, and soil referenced in the application.
- USDA-11. Please submit a revised budget for \$130,000.00, specifying the number of participants which the applicant proposes to sponsor. In preparing your budget, please be advised that no more than 5% of the funds requested from the Corporation may be used to pay for administrative costs.
- USDA-12. Please provide information on plans for providing liability insurance for the SoS participants.
- USDA-13. Please provide a detailed description of how SoS participants would be supervised, including a workplan and timeline for the SoS project.
- USDA-14. Please actively seek to enroll 25% of your SoS participants from the Corporation for National and Community Service's pool of nationally referred applicants. (These may include individuals who are in fact, from your local area.) In addition, please provide information on your specific plans to actively seek diversity among SoS participants.

Final award selections will be announced on Thursday, April 28. Therefore, please FAX a response to us no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 26, indicating your agreement with the parameters of the above requested changes and the amount of the award for the revised project. Our

FAX # is (202) 606-4841. Please send us a revised application, the revised application pages, or a letter which outlines how you will address the requested changes as well as a revised budget no later than Monday, May 2. Please mail your response to: Catherine Pierce, Summer of Safety, Room 7400, CNCS, 1100 Vermont Ave., N.W., Washington, DC 20525.

Should you need assistance or should you have any questions, please contact Catherine Pierce, The Director of the Summer of Safety Grants Program, at (202) 606-5000, x456. We recognize we are asking you to respond within a very short timeframe, and it is our hope that this will work in the best interest of all parties. We look forward to hearing from you and we thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Milton', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Catherine Milton
Vice President



DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20250

May 5, 1994

To: Mike Russell Katherine Pierce, Terry Donahue
From: Joel Berg
Subject: **Update on Diversity in Chicago**

As demonstrated by the attached May 3, 1994 letter, the Chicago Housing Authority (CHA) is still trying to change the terms of our original application by requesting that half of all program participants be residents of Ida B. Wells.

I have previously noted that, if we were to change the terms of the original agreement to recruit half of all participants from Ida B. Wells, the program will not meet the general diversity mission of the CNCS.

Attached is page 4 of our original application. The application is absolutely clear in stating that at least half of the participants would come from a *combination* of CHA residents and students from the Chicago High School of Agricultural Sciences. Our application then states: "The project director will then be responsible for ensuring that the final mix of participants is balanced by gender and economic status and fully reflects the African-American, Caucasian, and Latino population of the Chicago metropolitan area. Every effort will be made to recruit a mix of economically and socially disadvantaged youths, college-bound youths, and disabled youths." In an attached March 14, 1994 letter, Vincent Lane, Chairman of CHA, appeared to agree to the terms of our application; Lane's letter states that his staff will help recruit CHA recruits residents, but makes no reference whatsoever to any percentage of participants.

I would request that CNCS respond to CHA's latest letter by explaining, in writing, the program is required to abide by the terms of the original application.

Despite this one difference that still needs to be resolved, I am fully confident that this summer project will be an overwhelming success. However, I will continue to be insistent, on behalf of Secretary Espy, that all our programs meet the vision of diversity advanced by the President.

Please call me at 720-6350 to follow-up.

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Newspaper, Chicag
Phone: 312 238-3366

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Is doing article on Chicago Summer of Service, wants to interview you.

Chicago High School
for Agricultural Sciences



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TO: JOEL BERG

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GOAL: # FRAMES SCOPE OF PROJECT

Action Items	Responsibility	Start / End		Completed/Comments
Identifies potential sites.	Project Director and Assistant	5/4/94	6/1/94	
Incorporates sites into S.O.S. plan.	Project Director and Assistant	5/4/94	6/1/94	
Secures site releases.	Project Director and Assistant	5/4/94	6/1/94	
Locates technical assistance for sites	Project Director and Assistant	5/4/94	6/1/94	
Evaluate sites for within project framework.	Project Director and Assistant	5/4/94	6/1/94	
Incorporates site evaluation into scheduling and purchasing plan.	Project Director and Assistant	5/4/94	6/1/94	
Develops and distributes participant applications.	Project Director and Assistant	5/4/94	6/1/94	
Interviews S.O.S. Candidates	Project Director and Assistant	5/4/94	6/1/94	
Set up teams of participants with team leader.	Project Director and Assistant	5/4/94	6/1/94	

ATTACHMENT C
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Action Items	Responsibility	Start / End	Completed/Comments
Plans weekly team leader meetings	Project Mgr.	7/5/94 8/26/94	
Works with oversight group in evaluation	Project Mgr.	6/20 to 8/26/94	
Plans daily work schedules with participant crews	Team Leader	7/5/94 8/26/94	
Plans daily rap-up sessions as part of assessments	Team Leader	7/1/94 8/26/94	
Assists in data collection for project evaluation.	Team Leader Oversight Comm.	6/20/94 8/26/94	

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GOAL: # LEARNS AND APPLIES PROBLEM SOLVING SKILLS

Action Items	Responsibility	Start / End	Completed/Comments
Trainer conducts S.A.R.A. method training session. Practice S.A.R.A. in simulation situations. Participant training.	McCarthy CHSAS	6/20/94 7/1/94	
Applies S.A.R.A. method to work site problems.	Team Leaders & crew	7/3/94 8/26/94	
Learns and utilizes environmental practices. Training.	Hyer Forestry	6/20/94 7/1/94	
Practices horticulture techniques in establishing sites.	Team Leaders & crew	7/5/94 8/26/94	
Transplants and maintains landscape and plants for specific site.	Team Leaders & crew	7/5/94 8/26/94	
Builds and maintains horticulture structures.	Extension Service Wolford Team Leaders & crew	6/20/94 7/1/94	

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GOAL: # LEARNS AND DEMONSTRATES SAFETY PRACTICES

Action Items	Responsibility	Start / End	Completed/Comments
Understands and properly utilizes operations of landscape tools training.	Extension Service	6/20/94 7/1/94	
Applies knowledge to landscape sites.	Participants	7/5/94 8/20/94	
Designs weekly work schedules.	Team Leaders Participants	7/5/94 8/20/94	
Schedules materials - site specific.	Team Leaders	7/5/94 8/20/94	
Schedules tools - site specific.	Team Leaders	7/5/94 8/20/94	
Conducts a training session.	Extension Service	6/20/94 7/1/94	
Use tools appropriately at site.	Participants under supervision of Team Leaders	7/5/94 8/26/94	

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GOAL: # INVOLVES SITE NEIGHBORS

ion Items	Responsibility	Start / End	Completed/Comments
vides training in S.O.S. practices.	Justice People	6/20/94 7/1/94	
chedules and conducts safety events/ onstrations.	Team Leaders Participants	7/5/94 8/26/94	
nsmits materials to outreach participants.	Participants	7/5/94 8/26/94	
llizes and applies neighborhood watch hniques (training).	Warren Friedman/ Annie Russell	6/20/94 7/1/94	
onstrates conservation practices and cedure.	Participants	6/20/94 7/1/94	

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GOAL: Ø BRINGS SCOPE OF "SAFE STREETS" TO NEIGHBORHOOD PARTICIPANTS
Training

tion Items	Responsibility	Start / End	Completed/Comments
derstands "Safe Streets" procedures. Guff materials.....training.	Extension Service Justice Department People	6/20/94 7/1/94	
derstanding plant germination, growth, and velopment.....training	Extension Service Justice Department People	7/5/94 8/26/94	
vention Programsfor participants. Safe Streets Youth Alternatives	Chicago Police Dept.- Community Services	6/20/94 to 7/1/94 and referral during project	
icago Alliance for Neighborhood Safety ighborhood Watch.....training.	Mrs. Annie Russell	7/20/94 and periodically during project 8/26/94	
ganizing in the Community Materials Presentation - training	Extension Service Botanic Garden	6/20/94 7/1/94	
ction components for Participants -community surveys for targeting crime areas. - transmitting McGuff materials in the school setting. -Assisting in neighborhood watch recruitment.	Crews	7/5/94 8/26/94	

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GOAL: Train Project Leaders

Provide appropriate staff development within scope of project goals.

ction Items		Responsibility	Start / End	Completed/Comments
staff recruitment 5 Team Leaders		Project and USDA special divisions	May, 1994	
Initial Training with CES	Horticulture Community Organizing Plant Biology	Cooperative Extension Service.	May 31, 1994 June 3, 1994	
Forest Service training for Leaders		Forestry Service Redding Pa.	June 20th - Week of	
training with participants		Various consultants from CES, SCS Justice, and so on	6/20/94 7/5/94	
specialized training as indicated by formative evaluation		On call consultants	7/5/94 8/26/94	

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Project: Senior Summer Corps
Participants: 100 (Senior Summer Corps Participants)
Description: Participants will work in citizen volunteer patrols and make safety presentations at year-round schools and summer camps.
Contact: Ginger Brady; 619-291-2620

San Francisco:

Project: Culture of Peace Summer of Safety
Participants: 50 (Youth Corps)
Description: Participants will assess local neighborhoods and initiate projects to form safe streets and neutral zones in targeted neighborhoods. Participants will work to build a non-violent "Culture of Peace".
Contact: Marivic B. Mabanag; 415-554-9535

Stockton:

Project: CCC Summer of Safety
Participants: 40 (SOS Participants)
Description: Participant activities will include escort services for the elderly and disabled, and neighborhood beautification.
Contact: Marie Mijares; 209-948-7110

Colorado**Denver:**

Project: Metropolitan Denver Summer of Safety
Participants: 200 (SOS Participants)
Description: Participants will work the metro-Denver PACT program on community policing and neighborhood revitalization.
Contact: Patrick Ahlstrom; 303-239-4400

Project: Denver Mayor's Commission
Participants: 35 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participants will encourage neighborhood block watches and identify potential block leaders, and disseminate crime prevention material.
Contact: Gene Giron; 303-894-2750

Denver, Ft. Collins, and Boulder:

Project: Colorado Summer of Safety
Participants: 140 (Senior Summer Corps Participants)
Description: Participants will work with a neighborhood watch in 10 inner city neighborhoods; "Safe City" crime prevention projects in 8 communities; home shopping services; safe transportation assistance; newsletters; road shows to 30 locations titled "Personal Safety, Home Protection, and Consumer Fraud".
Contact: Morey Katz; 303-831-6910

Connecticut**Bridgeport:**

Project: Youth In Service Ambassadors
Participants: 30 (SOS Participants)
Description: A community service collaboration designed to reduce crime, violence, and fear in targeted neighborhoods.
Contact: Thomas J. Sweeney; 203-576-7611

New Haven:

Project: Fighting Back
Participants: 20 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participants will be engaged in conflict resolution, community policing, and drug prevention and education activities.
Contact: Sergio Rodreguez; 203-787-8445

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Project: Norwalk Economic Opportunity Now, Inc.
Participants: 100 (Learn & Serve)
Description: Participant activities will include conflict resolution, neighborhood block watches, and education on the legal system.
Contact: Eileen L. Kitzerow; 203-854-1850

District of Columbia

Project: Metropolitan Police Boys & Girls Clubs, Inc.
Participants: 100 (Learn & Serve)
Description: Participants, ages 5 to 17 will be involved in public safety service-learning activities in at-risk communities.
Contact: Dianne L.J. Brown; 202-397-2582

Project: Mayor's Youth Initiative Office
Participants: 26 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participants will be engaged in conflict mediation and resolution, and resource/service development.
Contact: Lou Woolard; 202-727-4970

Florida**Clearwater:**

Project: Broward Coalition for Community Service
Participants: 60 (Youth Corps)
Description: Participants will engage in public safety, education, and service-learning projects designed to impact crime, violence, drug use, and community safety.
Contact: Ron Cochran; 305-831-8901

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Cocoa:
Project: Brevard County Senior Summer Corps
Participants: 140 (Senior Summer Corps Participants)
Description: Participants will work in the police department's Citizens on Patrol program in teams to conduct routine neighborhood patrols, report suspicious activities, conduct house checks, and follow-up interviews with crime victims. They will conduct home security surveys; support victims by familiarizing them with the proceeding of the court system; check pawn shops for stolen merchandise; and serve as mediators in misdemeanor cases.
Contact: Frank Phelan; 313-461-2990

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Project: Orlando Summer of Safety
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Description: Participants will organize a "Grandma's House" concept, where each block of high crime neighborhoods will have a safe house (home of a senior citizen) that is a safe haven or alert point at the first sign of trouble; work with the Coalition for the Homeless and Salvation Army to develop a crime prevention program for homeless individuals; organize books for toy guns of children; and clear vacant lots.
Contact: Ann Smith; 407-298-4180

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Project: St. Petersburg Police Department
Participants: 30 (SOS Participants)
Description: Participants will work directly with Community Police Officers in target neighborhoods, clean-up neighborhoods, provide victims assistance, and recruit residents to carry on the crime prevention work beyond the Summer of Safety.
Contact: Nancy Daly
813-892-5443

Georgia

Atlanta:
Project: World Relief
Participants: 20 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participants will provide summer programming on crime prevention; school safety; gangs and substance abuse to youth, particularly refugees.
Contact: Michael Burnham; 404-321-6992

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Project: Friends of Chicago High School of Agricultural Sciences
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Contact: Joel Berg; 202-720-6350

Project: Chicago Alliance for Neighborhood Safety
Participants: 20 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participants will be involved in community policing and neighborhood block watches.
Contact: Warren Friedman; 312-461-0444

Indiana

Gary:
Project: Horace Mann-Ambridge Neighborhood Organization
Participants: 20 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participants will work to develop problem solving strategies and build elasticity of neighborhoods to consolidate and sustain process in reducing crime.
Contact: Finis Springer; 219-885-6628

Kentucky

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Covington:
Project: Children's Law Center
Participants: 20 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participant activities will include provision of direct victims' assistance and recruitment of additional lay advocates.
Contact: Kim Brooks; 606-431-3313

Kansas

Wichita:
Project: Wichita Summer of Safety
Participants: 288 (Senior Summer Corps Participants)
Description: Participants will work to reduce crime in Sedgwick County which has the highest number of violent crimes per county in Kansas through community policing, victim assistance, dispute resolution, fraud detection, and creating safe havens restoring safety to public spaces. This is a well coordinated effort with the police department and community agencies.
Contact: Delpha Vincent; 316-946-8696

Maine

Augusta:
Project: Jobs Training Administrative Office
Participants: 36 (Youth Corps)
Description: Participants will plan, develop, harvest, and distribute produce and nursery stock to low income and homeless families.
Contact: Kenneth E. Spalding; 207-287-4931

Portland:
Project: Portland Youth Service Conservation Corps
Participants: 90 (Youth Corps)
Description: Participants will implement water quality testing and monitoring on a daily basis.
Contact: James V. Oliver; 207-775-0105

Maryland**Baltimore:**

Project: City of Baltimore-Baltimore City Public Schools
Participants: 54 (SOS Participants)
Description: Participants will involve students to help establish "safe corridors" and community organizations to fight crime.
Contact: Carl Hyman; 410-396-8803

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Project: Civic Works Summer of Safety
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Contact: Dana Stein; (410) 366-8533

Project: University of MD Baltimore County/The Shriver Center
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Contact: John Martello; (410) 455-2494

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Participants: 20 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participants will establish three public safety centers in key areas of the Sandtown-Winchester neighborhood.
Contact: Constance Parker; 410-964-1230

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Project: St. Mary's County Government
Participants: 364 (Learn & Serve)
Description: Participants, ages 6 to 17, will attend day camps focuses on public safety, violence prevention, and conflict resolution skills.
Contact: Walter Cox, 301-475-4632

Massachusetts**Boston:**

Project: Massachusetts Summer of Safety
Participants: 48 (Youth Corps)
Description: Participant activities will include organizing a self-sustaining community clean-up, providing senior escorts and mentoring to young children.
Contact: William F. Field; 617-542-2544

Project: Boston University Summer of Safety
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Contact: David Mansfield; 617-353-4126

Project: Boston Senior Summer Corps
Participants: 70 (Senior Summer Corps Participants)
Description: Participants will engage in 8 intergenerational bilingual teams to increase the safety of public housing residents.
Contact: Ruth Blackman; 617-357-6000

Dorchester:
Project: Dorchester Summer of Safety 1994
Participants: 50 (SOS Participants)
Description: Participants will organize crime watches, conduct crime prevention workshops, and provide gang prevention at local parks.
Contact: Kristen J. McCormack; 617-282-5034

Lawrence:
Project: Greater Lawrence RSVP
Participants: 140 (Senior Summer Corps Participants)
Description: Participants will work with the Lawrence Police Department to community police five neighborhood buildings on "Weed and Seed" efforts. They will also perform crisis intervention for seniors who have been or are at-risk of crime.
Contact: Guy Kelley, Jr.; 508-686-9407

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Lowell and Lawrence:
Project: University of Massachusetts at Lowell
Participants: 27 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participant activities will include violence prevention education, assault prevention education, and substance abuse education.
Contact: Mark Levine; 508-934-3219

Michigan

Detroit:
Project: Detroit Public Housing Department
Participants: 50 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participants will work on a variety of tasks including creating an escort service/buddy system for senior citizens, establishing crime hotlines, revitalizing neighborhood watch programs, and assisting residents with lock and firm alarm improvements.
Contact: Betty Turner; 313-224-6555

Flint:
Project: Flint Summer of Safety - Dukette Catholic School
Participants: 300 (Learn & Serve)
Description: Participant activities will include tangible neighborhood improvements, safety awareness programs for youth, and conflict resolution.
Contact: Michael Brown; 313-232-1401

Lansing:

Project: City of Lansing
Participants: 30 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participant activities will include organization of "park patrols," crime watch clubs, and crime prevention and education.
Contact: Dennis Sykes; 517-483-4060

Project: Safe Summer Project

Participants: 200 (Senior Summer Corps Participants)
Description: Participants will serve in "Care A Lot" community patrols; organize vacant lot and graffiti clean-ups; monitor and help shut-down drug/prostitution houses; conduct neighborhood crime surveys, community crime education campaigns; help homeless not become victims; and organize youth activities.
Contact: Janet Clark; 517-887-6116

Minnesota**Minneapolis/St. Paul:**

Project: Project for Pride in Living
Participants: 24 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Activities will include crime prevention education, youth leadership development, and organization of neighborhood block watches.
Contact: Joseph Selvaggio; 612-874-8511

Red Lake:

Project: Red Lake Summer of Safety
Participants: 75 (Youth Corps)
Description: Participants will disseminate crime prevention information and surveys and assist in the enhancement of Tribal forest resources.
Contact: Gerald F. Brun; 218-679-3341

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Project: DREAM of Hattiesburg, Inc.
Participants: 100 (Learn & Serve)
Description: Participants, ages 5 to 17, will be involved in public safety service-learning projects in subsidized housing neighborhoods.
Contact: Bettie S. Ross; 601-545-2102

Missouri**Kansas City:**

Project: Blue Hills Together
Participants: 25 (SOS Participants)
Description: Participant activities will include community organizing, neighborhood revitalization, and conflict mediation.
Contact: Rick Malsick; 816-861-7211

Project: Community Development Corp.
Participants: 20 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participants will identify physical hazards, survey neighborhoods, and assist residents with minor home repairs and beautification.
Contact: Karen Curtis; 816-924-5800

St. Louis

Project: St. Louis Safety Service Corps Partnership
Participants: 40 (SOS Participants)
Description: Participant activities will target violence, victim assistance, and target hardening and creation of safe spaces in two senior developments and four targeted neighborhoods.
Contact: Col. Clarence Harmon; 314-444-5555

Montana

Boseman:
Project: Montana Summer of Safety
Participants: 120 (Youth Corps)
Description: Participants will address Montana's natural resource problem through wilderness education, restoration of public lands and parks and landscaping and conservation activities.
Contact: Steve P. Nelson; 406-587-4475

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Project: Las Vegas Senior Summer Corps
Participants: 135 (Senior Summer Corps Participants)
Description: Participants will increase the number of neighborhood watch programs from 650 to 1,000. Participants will work with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department and organize neighborhood watch programs. Some participants will serve as "Watch Captains".
Contact: Diane Guinn; 702-385-1328

New Hampshire**Concord:**

Project: NH Summer of Safety Domestic and Sexual Violence Victims Assistance Program
Participants: 20 (SOS Participants)
Description: Participants will serve as advocates for victims and witnesses of domestic and sexual abuse.
Contact: Ray O. Worden; 603-222-2500

New Jersey

Newark:
Project: Newark Fighting Back
Participants: 40 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participant activities include identification of drug hot spots and outreach on crime prevention.
Contact: John Brown; 201-242-8200

New Mexico

Jemez Pueblo:
Project: Pueblo of Jemez Summer of Safety Program
Participants: 50 (SOS Participants)
Description: Participant activities include reduction of gang-related crimes and of gang-related risk factors, and improvement of juvenile coping skills.
Contact: Ada Melton; 505-842-1122

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Brooklyn:
Project: Black Veterans for Social Justice Inc.
Participants: 20 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participants' activities include crime victims assistance, Block Watch programs and a hotline for troubled youth and concerned community members.
Contact: Stephen Williams; 718-935-1116

Project: Community School District #23 - Project "ACT NOW"
Participants: 200 (Learn and Service Participants)
Description: Youth participants, ages 5 to 17, will be involved in public safety service-learning activities: crime prevention education, conflict resolution, neighborhood watch groups, anti-violence education, peer mediation, mentoring, neighborhood clean-ups, violence prevention training, and intergenerational programming. Youth participants will demonstrate to the community that they can play a role in making communities safer.
Contact: Edward Millman; 718-270-8663

New York City:

Project: City Volunteer Corps: Youth Opposing Violence
Participants: 90 (Youth Corps)
Description: Participants will train youth in conflict resolution and in transformation of dangerous vacant lots into safe areas.
Contact: Toni Schmigelow; 212-475-6444

Project: New York Council of Smaller Churches
Participants: 20 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participants will be involved in conflict resolution, gang deterrence and neighborhood block watches.
Contact: Winston Smith; 212-876-7667

Project: Harlem Peacemakers Project
Participants: 20 (SOS Participants)
Description: Participants will train middle and high school youth in Harlem and Williamsburg in conflict resolution, peer mediation and violence reduction.
Contact: Geoffrey Canada; 212-866-0700

Project: Youth Action Summer of Safety
Participants: 20 (Youth Corps)
Description: Participants will develop a major clean-up and recycling campaign, and an education campaign around lead poisoning.
Contact: Sonja Bu; 212-869-8170

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Project: New York Police Dept. Summer of Safety Program
Participants: 100 (SOS Participants)
Description: Participants will serve in a summer safety cadet corps and will work in precinct-level problem-solving teams addressing community affairs with patrol officers to develop strategies for crime prevention in collaboration with precinct directors.
Contact: Capt. Dan Oates; 212-477-9218

Project: United Neighborhood Houses, Inc.
Participants: 144 (Learn and Serve)
Descriptions: Youths will escort or provide shopping assistance to senior citizens, clean-up parks, provide safe routes for children walking to and from school and home, and provide art work in public areas where graffiti and other forms of vandalism are problems.
Contact: Emily Menlo Marks; 212-481-5570

New York City and Staten Island:

Project: "Take Back Our Block"
Participants: 75 (Senior Summer Corps Participants)
Description: Participants will patrol public housing complexes, conduct crime prevention seminars, provide safe shopping escorts, and assist victims of crime.
Contact: Maureen Curley; 212-614-5564

Oneida:
Project: Oneida Indian Nation
Participants: 32 (Youth Corps)
Description: Participants will be involved in wetlands renovation and restoration, water quality and monitoring, and child abduction awareness.
Contact: Ray Halbritter; 315-361-6300

Rochester:
Project: Monroe County Senior Summer Corps
Participants: 140 (Senior Summer Corps Participants)
Description: Participants will work in intergenerational teams with the Rochester Police Department's mini-stations to perform neighborhood watches and victim assistance efforts.

Contact: Mary Ann VandenBerg; 716-442-1111

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Contact: Mary Rose McBride; 716-454-3224

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North Carolina

Durham:
Project: Durham Service Corps
Participants: 40 (Youth Corps)
Description: Participants will be involved in conversion of vacant lots, mentoring juvenile offenders and conflict resolution.
Contact: Harry Bruell; 919-683-6602

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Bismark:
Project: Bismark Summer of Safety
Participants: 140 (Senior Summer Corps Participants)
Description: Participants will meet special needs of children and elderly by conducting neighborhood crime surveys, chart location/frequency of areas requesting police assistance, and document gang activity; recruit and organize neighborhood watches in 30 Bismark and 30 Mandan neighborhoods; and form public awareness team to conduct community crime education presentations.
Contact: Loretta Lord; 701-258-5436

Ohio

Statewide:
Project: Ohio Crime Prevention Association
Participants: 150 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participants will be placed with 10 public or private non-profit organizations whose missions are to reduce crime. VSA will disseminate public safety information, recruit local volunteers for participation in youth block watch groups, and establish rape prevention/self defense workshops.
Contact: Domingo Herriaz; 614-459-0580

Cleveland:
Project: Cleveland State University: Community Coalition Building for Crime Prevention
Participants: 84 (SOS Participants)
Description: Participants will help community residents to establish youth, senior and intergenerational councils in resolving conflicts.
Contact: Charles Urbancic; 216-687-3630

Project: Urban Center Summer of Safety
Participants: 40 (Senior Summer Corps Participants)
Description: Participants will increase the safety of at-risk youth and seniors in four targeted high-crime neighborhoods through conflict resolution, block watches, neighborhood crime/safety surveys, mentoring of at-risk youth, and organizing recreational activities.
Contact: Margaret McCarthy; 216-566-9192

Project: Cleveland Task Force on Violent Crime
Participants: 20 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participants will assist six neighborhood coalitions in enhancing anti-crime programs by organizing activities for inner-city children, identifying neighborhood safety concerns, and supporting neighborhood watch programs.
Contact: Richard McCain; 216-781-2944

Oregon

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Portland:
Project: Leaders Roundtable (P.A.L.)
Participants: 35 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participants will work with the Police Activities League Youth Center to provide substance abuse prevention, organize a community-wide Night Out, and increase awareness within the Latino community.
Contact: Janice Yaden; 503-257-1509

Roseburg:
Project: Douglas/Joseph County's Summer of Safety
Participants: 140 (Senior Summer Corps Participants)
Description: Participants will work to expand existing citizen crime prevention initiatives. In addition, they will help with community policing, 200 home crime prevention audits, and 20 community safety workshops.
Contact: Florence Shively; 503-440-3640

Pennsylvania

Philadelphia:
Project: Greater Philadelphia Federation of Settlements
Participants: 35 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participants will work as liaisons with police mini-stations, organize Block Watch programs, and train Senior Companions in victim's assistance.
Contact: Diana Kalenga; 215-627-1710

Pittsburgh:
Project: National Conference of Christians and Jews (Hill House)
Participants: 30 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participants will establish Safe Haven programs and work with satellite community police units to provide outreach related to week and seed programming.
Contact: Betty Pickett; 412-281-1237

Texas

Austin:
Project: Austin Housing Authority
Participants: 50 (SOS Participants)
Description: Participants will support community policing activities, assist with the rehabilitation of AHA sites that have been vandalized, and work to provide support to victims.
Contact: Dr. Lodi Rhodes; 512-478-4685

San Antonio:

Project: City of San Antonio
Participants: 27 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participants will engage 18,000 at-risk youth of in alternative activities in an effort to reduce gang and youth violence and crime. They will also provide mentoring and tutoring programs as well as summer youth employment programs.
Contact: Carlene Lowrie; 210-299-8119

Virginia**Newport News:**

Project: Newport News Senior Summer Corps
Participants: 151 (Senior Summer Corps Participants)
Description: Participants will be a part of tenant patrols in 10 sites, crime prevention education programs at 6 sites, victim/witness assistance, police/citizen liaison at 3 sites, and assist the Crime Watch Coalition.
Contact: Nan York; 804-838-9750

Washington**Olympia:**

Project: The Washington Service Corps; State of Washington
Employment Security Department
Participants: 160 (Youth Corps)
Description: Participants will engage in team-based projects to curb violence in the public housing neighborhoods in Seattle, interact and assist elderly senior citizens, and provide children with safe places for recreational and educational activities.
Contact: Dave Broom; 206-438-4005

Seattle:

Project: Fremont Public Association
Participants: 58 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participants will work with a number of different agencies to promote community policing, perform anti-crime programs for youth, and organize Block Watch outreach.
Contact: Lynn Livesley; 206-441-5686

Tacoma:

Project: Tacoma/Pierce Summer of Safety
Participants: 70 (Senior Summer Corps Participants)
Description: Participants will collaborate with the TRIAD program, a collaboration of AARP, the International Association of Chiefs of Police, and the National Sheriff's Association to reduce victimization of the elderly and enhance law enforcement service delivery to seniors. Crime prevention education and victim assistance are the key activities.
Contact: CJ Knaggs; 206-597-7312

West Virginia**Statewide:**

Project: Family Crisis Center
Participants: 20 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participants will conduct summer programs for the children of domestic violence victims residing in shelters at 13 sites throughout the state. They will also work to raise the awareness of domestic violence and assist victims with court appearances.
Contact: Marie O'Donald; 304-788-6061

Wisconsin**Madison:**

Project: Madison Summer of Safety
Participants: 98 (Senior Summer Corps Participants)
Description: Participants will be trained in order to make presentations on scams, confidence games and swindles; organize neighborhood initiatives like playground clean-ups, home safety, bicycle theft prevention, neighborhood watch newsletters, and do crime education at festivals and fairs.
Contact: Mary Stamstad; 608-238-7787

Milwaukee:

Project: Social Development Commission
Participants: 30 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participants will assist the Youth Liaison in providing mentoring and personal counseling to at-risk youth, plan and facilitate conflict mediation training, assist with the development and delivery of alternative activities, and plan age-appropriate outings for neighborhood youth.
Contact: Mary Riley-Brooks; 414-272-5600

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the competitive process is likely to be circumvented if preselection is required.

Although the Corporation appreciates the difficulties preselection raises in light of the timeline, for both legal and policy reasons this requirement has not been changed. The statute requires a State applicant to describe the "jobs or positions into which participants will be placed" (section 130(c)(1)). It is the Corporation's view that such a description would be inadequate without a corresponding description of the programs in which those jobs or positions would be located. Moreover, section 130(b)(2) of the statute requires "description of the process and criteria by which the programs were selected." From a policy standpoint, preselection is required in order to ensure that the Corporation funds only high-quality programs.

(3) *Diversity*. Several commenters recommended modifications to the participant diversity provisions contained in § 2522.100. One commenter stated that programs that are unable to achieve racial and gender diversity should not receive Federal funds. Conversely, other commenters expressed concern that the racial diversity requirement may exclude eligibility minority agencies that would have predominantly minority participants. A number of commenters suggested that the Corporation require diversity of program staff and include that as an evaluation criterion. One commenter suggested that the Corporation encourage programs to engage in joint activities with organizations involving participants of different backgrounds to enhance community-building.

The Corporation declines to make the achievement of diversity a requirement or to establish regulatory exceptions to the mandate that every program seek diversity. The Corporation, in establishing the requirement that every program actively seek to be diverse in a number of important areas, attempted to strike a balance between competing concerns. On the one hand, diverse programs will help strengthen communities. On the other hand, there are some very good programs that, for legitimate substantive reasons, will not be able to achieve diversity in one or more ways. The requirement, as written, will lead to diverse programs except in cases where diversity does not make sense or is not attainable (e.g., a professional corps program requiring specific skills or education should not be required to include as participants individuals who do not have such skills or education).

The Corporation agrees with the suggestion that programs also should seek actively to establish a diverse staff. In many cases where a program's staff is very small, it may not always be possible to have a staff that is diverse in all ways. Within these constraints, however, programs should seek to establish a staff that is as diverse as possible.

Finally, the Corporation agrees that—especially for programs that lack diversity in one or more ways—it is a good idea for programs to engage in joint activities with organizations involving participants of different backgrounds to help build communities; programs are encouraged to do so where possible.

Change: § 2522.100(f) has been modified to include staff diversity.

(4) *50% rule*. One commenter recommended that the Corporation drop the waiver provision from the requirement that at least 50% of funds going to each State go to high-need areas. (§ 2521.30(b)(3)(iii))

In principle, the Corporation believes strongly that each State should in fact do everything possible to comply with the 50% requirement. Thus in order to attain a waiver from this provision, a State will have to demonstrate in an extremely compelling manner not only that there are not enough viable high-quality programs operating in areas of need within the State to meet the 50% requirement, but that it has made a good-faith effort to locate such programs. Finally, no waivers will be granted to individual States if it would necessitate not complying with the 50% rule in the aggregate.

The Corporation is statutorily required to ensure that a minimum of 50% of the total funds going to States go to high-need areas. And although the Corporation is committed to meeting this requirement in the aggregate, it may not always be possible to meet the requirement on a State-by-State basis. For example, the Corporation's review process may result in the selection in a given State of a high-quality program that does not operate in an area of need. If there were not other high-quality programs within that State that did operate in high-need areas, without the waiver provision the Corporation would be unable to fund the high-quality program. For this reason, the waiver provision has been retained.

(5) *Participant eligibility*. (2522.200(b)) One commenter stated that the regulations state that a participant must have a high-school diploma to participate, whereas in fact a diploma is only required to receive the educational award.

This section has not been changed. The regulations state that in order to participate an individual must either have a high school diploma or its equivalent, commit to obtaining one, or be deemed unable to obtain one.

(6) *National Leadership Pool and Recruitment*. (2522.210(b)(1)(c)) The Corporation received a number of comments on the national leadership pool and recruitment requirements. One commenter suggested that the regulations allow anyone recruited to the national leadership pool to be placed back into his or her original program. The same commenter argued that programs should not be required to accept national leadership pool participants; instead, the Corporation should operate a pilot leadership program. Other commenters suggested that the § 2522.100 requirement that AmeriCorps programs agree to select a certain percentage of participants from the national and state recruiting pools be eliminated.

In order to maintain regulatory flexibility, these requirements have not been amended. To the extent that these comments are incorporated into Corporation policy it will not be done in regulations but rather in application materials and other guidelines. (However, two items should be noted: (a) Although programs must agree to accept a certain percentage of nationally recruited participants, the Corporation may not require every program to do so, and will likely consider exceptions on a case-by-case basis; and (b) programs will not be required to accept leadership pool participants.

(7) *Child Care*. (2522.250(a)) One commenter argued that child care benefits should go to prospective participants who have undependable child care as well as to participants who don't have child care at all.

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The Corporation for National Service today announced the selection of community-based organizations across the country that will organize and operate Summer of Safety programs this summer helping communities combat crime, violence and fear.

Summer of Safety is a project initiated by the President and administered by the new Corporation for National Service. Announced by President Clinton at an AmeriCorps Public Safety Forum on March 10 in Brooklyn, New York, Summer of Safety will involve nearly 7,000 participants who will serve with 91 projects in 70 urban and rural locations around the United States.

The selected Safety programs will involve Americans of all ages and backgrounds, who for eight weeks, will engage in safety activities that will bolster local crime- and violence-prevention efforts.

SOS projects will include community policing initiatives; organizing neighborhood watch programs; providing victims' assistance; conducting senior citizen escort services; establishing and managing "safe havens" for youth; administering dispute resolution programs; and developing crime prevention and peer-to-peer drug prevention workshops.

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Project: Northeast Arkansas Council on Family Violence
Participants: 20 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participants will work with health care professionals on domestic violence education.
Contact: Cathy Mackey; 501-933-9449

Project: El Dorado Senior Summer Corps
Participants: 150 (Senior Summer Corps Participants)
Description: Participants will form a public safety marketing corps to publicize anti-crime efforts, recruit volunteers, solicit community interest in developing crime prevention projects; form a Family Network Corps to mentor at-risk youth; form a Information & Referral Corps as part of a community crime education effort; form a speaker's bureau; and be safety counselors to victims of crime.
Contact: Delores Thomas; 501-862-6769

California

Los Angeles:

Project: Los Angeles Unified School District
Participants: 1,000 (Learn & Serve)
Description: Participant activities will include safety education, neighborhood safety inspections, drug use prevention, and neighborhood clean-ups.
Contact: Dennis Winscheffel, 213-753-4551

Project: LAUSD 1994 Summer of Safety Project
Participants: 50 (SOS Participants)
Description: The fifth grade participants will work to create safe haven zones, educate parents, and organize neighborhood watch groups.
Contact: Dennis Winscheffel, 213-753-4551

Oakland:

Project: East Bay Conservation Corps
Participants: 25 (SOS Participants)
Description: Participant activities will include ongoing conflict resolution services and the dissemination of a comprehensive safety education curriculum.
Contact: Joanna Lennon; 510-891-3900

San Bernadino:

Project: San Bernadino Housing
Participants: 30 (VISTA Summer Associates)
Description: Participants will work on the formation of the Neighborhood Watch Committees, integration of adult residents into Police Department-sponsored Citizen Patrols, and involve youth residents into a Safety Cadet Program.
Contact: Bill Meyers; 909-384-1136

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safety of the SOS participants and supervisors:

To ensure security for the participants in the Summer of Safety program at Ida B. Wells and Madden Park, the Chicago Housing Authority is prepared to do the following:

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- *Provide schedule of activities to Director of Chicago Police Department District Commander to facilitate drive-by patrols.

- *Provide schedule of activities to Director of the CHA Security Force for security presence on-site.

- *Coordinate with CHA tenant patrols in Wells and Madden Park for tenant patrol supervision on-site.

- *Coordinate group transportation of participants to and from specific site.

- *Provide beepers and portable telephone to supervisor on-site.

- *Identify central location for lunch and breaks.

Close coordination of the program with the Local Advisory Councils of both developments and with other community organization on-site will also help to ensure that participants are seen as part of all the other summer activities occurring within the development. (Enclosure 1)

Additional security will be provided because each ten participants will be supervised by a crew leader provided by USDA. Outreach audiences will include school children at the school site who will be under the supervision of the school staff.

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8. Chicago Housing Authority with the coordination of Theresa Lipo and Dr. Adams will provide specific safety training and an orientation for participants prior to the actual beginning of the work projects at Ida B. Wells/Madden Park. Included in this

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personnel orientation will be presentations by CHA security forces, a tour and familiarization of participants with the sites, emergency procedures and responses, as well as, introductions of key CHA personnel and their locations throughout the complex.

9. Terry Donahue has indicated that the Department of Justice Technical Assistant program is still in the process of being developed. Terry will provide details ASAP-technical assistance will be scheduled for utilization within the ten week program.

10. Soil will be made available by ~~the~~ ^{SCF} contact person is Paula Jones, USDA Soil Conservation Service, 202-720-1853. Jim Martin will also assist in meeting this commitment. Necessary trees, scrubs, plants and other vegetation will be provided by Department of Environment, the Botanic Gardens, USDA Forestry and other USDA agencies. Delivery of these supplies will be coordinated by Ron Wolford, USDA Extension Service, 312-737-1178, Carzella Pritchett, 312 535-2500, and D. Carole Powell, USDA-Washington, 202-720-0749.

11. Attached is the revised budget requested in the Corporation's letter of April 25, 1994. Enclosure 2

12. A copy of CHA's liability insurance policy was given to Catherine Pierce at the May 24th meeting. This policy will cover all participants and activities while at Ida B. Wells/Madden Park. Arrangements have been made with Community Insurance Center, Inc. for additional liability and accident insurance when participants are at the other site and when they are in transit. This insurance is part of the budget that is funded by the corporation and final application and payment will be made at the time that the corporation provides funds. Agreement has been reached with Community Insurance Center that coverage will be provided from June 6 through August 26, 1994. Our contact person at Community Insurance is Milton Moses, 312-651-6200. Dr. Valerious will provide application information and payment when notified that the grant funds have been transferred. Enclosure 3

13. Information on supervision, workplan, and timeline provided as attached. (answered by Dr. Valerious) Enclosure 4

14. The issue of diversity has been addressed by all parties. It has been agreed to between Dr. Valerious, Dr. Carol Adams, and Joel Berg that selection of participants would be as follows:

- *19 participants from CHA with an equal number of men and women
- *19 participants from Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences with attention to enrollment of hispanic, ~~Asian~~ ^H and white participants, as well as gender and differently abled.
- *12 participants would actively be recruited from the Corporation for National and Community Service's pool of nationally referred applicants. Depending upon responses from that pool, Dr. Valerious will supplement from applicants developed from the surrounding Chicago area

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TENANT PATROL PROGRAM

As a mechanism for residents to participate in creating and maintaining a secure living environment, tenant patrols have proven to be one of the Authority's most effective weapons in the war against drugs and crime within developments.

Tenant patrols serve as the eyes and ears for the Chicago Police Department, the CHA Police, the CHA Security Force and CHA management. Generally, three patrollers work each shift, two circulating throughout the building common areas noting any suspicious activity and one stationed at an office within the building, linked to the others by a two-way radio.

When responding to emergency situations, patrollers immediately notify police through the 911 system, as well as any CHA Police or security guards on-site. They are strictly prohibited from carrying weapons, engaging in citizens arrest, or any other such law-enforcement activity.

In addition to reporting criminal activity, tenant patrols also record any recent vandalism and maintenance needs, as well as any apparent lease violations by residents, which are reported to the management office. Patrol shifts last no longer than eight hours. Patrollers work on a voluntary basis, but those who work more than 16 hours per week are eligible for rent concessions.

Building councils or residents at large choose patrollers. Individuals undergo a security check before training. Any resident with a criminal conviction for a Part I offense is automatically disqualified.

To date, there are tenant patrols training or operating in most of the Authority's newly-secured buildings. A senior program coordinator and two resident anti-crime coordinators have been hired to organize training and implementation of the patrols. They are responsible for coordinating patrol schedules, providing on-the-job training and offering support to patrol leaders.

Training sessions for patrols are conducted by CHA's Department of Public Safety and Preventive Programs, Research and Program Development and off-duty Chicago Police officers. Patrollers must complete 80 hours of training which includes classes in group skill building, patrol procedures, victim/witness assistance, radio communications and crime prevention.

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PROJECT PEACE

Project Peace is a comprehensive safe schools program which uses African-American male and female role models to effect change in the lives of students in three grade schools and two high schools that serve CHA residents. The program stresses non-violent conflict resolution, alternatives to the drug culture, and concerns for the futures of the students in their educational and vocational pursuits. Project Peace draws from the experiences and resources of successful African-American men and women to illustrate the positive value of education, non-violence and a drug-free existence.

Project Peace came into existence when many public housing parents expressed concern for the numerous accounts of student conflict occurring in route to, as well as within, the schools. The school had become an arena for the resolution of conflicts which began at the developments and vice versa. Fear of violence disrupted the learning atmosphere for many students, and many simply stayed home.

Project Peace is comprised of five components:

1. Violence Prevention Education
2. Mentoring
3. Peer Leadership Development
4. Organized Non-violent alternatives
5. Rites of Passage

The program plan calls for the establishment of a mentorship organization, two advisory boards (one for women and one for men) and a project facilitator. A general meeting of the mentors is to occur monthly for discussion of problems, policies, accomplishments, activities and to introduce new members. The responsibility of the boards and their committees include developing activities, recruiting mentors, monitoring prominent youth issues, and identifying and securing resources (i.e. jobs, scholarships, support services).

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Funding for the program comes from the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation.

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VICTIM ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Chicago Housing Authority's **Victim Assistance Program** aids CHA residents who have experienced serious crimes personally, or through family members, in dealing with the immediate aftermath of the incident and working with the criminal justice system to apprehend and prosecute those responsible.

Although CHA has extensive anti-drug and anti-gang programs in place, these problems will not be eradicated without the cooperation and participation of CHA residents, who are often the innocent victims of the warfare between gangs and drug dealers. The Victim Assistance Program enables residents to participate in CHA's efforts against crime by making it easier and less fearful for crime victims, as well as witnesses, to come forward and provide information to law enforcement authorities.

Objectives of the Victim Assistance Program include:

- * Providing direct services to targeted victims of serious and violent crime;
- * Acting as advocates on behalf of victims to facilitate and maximize their participation in the criminal justice system;
- * Relocation of clients in immediate physical danger to other CHA developments on an emergency as-needed basis;
- * Providing food and emergency shelter;
- * Counseling to victims and their families;
- * Recruiting businesses, resident and non-resident volunteers to help identify clients and provide services inside and outside of the community.

The program provides direct services to individuals. The Victim Assistance Program staff, includes a program manager, three victim advocates and a clerk. Staff members recruit clients through a comprehensive referral network. The network is comprised of a variety of organizations including resident groups, CHA staff and law enforcement and social service agencies including Ounce of Prevention Fund, Center for New Horizons, Tubman Shelter, Clara's House, Abraham Lincoln Center and many others.

The Victim Assistance Program has been funded to date by subsequent grants from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority, the Chicago Community Trust and the Chicago Bar Foundation.

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RE: Requested Changes and Revised Budget

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1. The SOS project sites in Chicago will be located at the Ida B. Wells/Madden Park Housing Development and at 111th Street and Hale (Edna White Park and Metro. An alternate site at West Pullman School is available if necessary.

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3. Per the May 24th meeting, Dr. Adams and Ms. Lipo agreed that a letter of support from CHA outlining the specific roles in and contributions to the SOS program would be faxed to National Service Headquarters no later than Thursday, May 26, 1994. This fax would be sent to the attention of Catherine Pierce and Barbara Glass.

4. Contact with the Chicago Police Department has been initiated and a letter of support from each of the districts involved outlining their specific roles will be provided to the National Service Headquarters by June 1, 1994 by Dr. Valerious.

5. The attached enclosure from Theresa Lipo of CHA addresses the security component requested by the corporation to ensure the

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The participants in the program will earn a small living allowance and a \$1,000 educational award in exchange for their vital service to the community.

One neighborhood site will be the Ida B. Wells Public Housing Development, where the service will be guided by the Chicago Housing Authority and the Ida B. Wells Resident Advisory Council. The other neighborhood site, in which an empty lot will be turned into a community garden, has not yet been named.

Staff from three USDA agencies--Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, Forest Service and Soil Conservation Service--will work with the high school to provide supervision to the participants on a daily basis.

"I am absolutely delighted that USDA will help increase green spaces and gardens in depressed urban areas, boost public safety and advance the President's AmeriCorps initiative that grants educational awards in exchange for significant community service," said Secretary of Agriculture Espy. "National service will fundamentally change the nation because it creates a new civic compact in which any citizen can be tied to the nation by the simple virtue of making a difference in the lives of others

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"The Chicago High School of Agricultural Sciences--a model magnet public school that has received national acclaim--will use this program to increase the knowledge of agriculture in urban areas, while building community, promoting personal responsibility, and providing educational opportunity," Espy added.

The Ida B. Wells Development is currently a participant in the Department of Justice's innovative "Weed & Seed" program aimed at cracking down on both criminals and the root causes of crime. This program has already provided the Development with substantial assistance in both law enforcement and crime prevention services ranging from recreational to educational activities.

"The Clinton Administration is dedicated to using every resource possible to fight crime and increase community cohesion. Placing more police on the streets and getting assault weapons out of the hands of criminals must be coupled with innovative new approaches that are needed to deter criminal activities and to give young Americans viable alternatives to crime," said Attorney General Reno.

Continued Reno, "The 'Weed & Seed' strategy, so successful to date at sites like Ida B. Wells, is based on first 'weeding' out criminals from neighborhoods, and then 'seeding' the communities with significant support for neighborhood services. The Chicago Summer of Safety project will take a similar approach by promoting community pride and harnessing the immense energy of young people through activities that rebuild Chicago's neighborhoods."

The Summer of Safety program--which will involve nearly 7,000 participants in 91 projects throughout urban and rural America--was designed by President Clinton and the Corporation for National Service to involve citizens of all ages and backgrounds in safety activities that will bolster local anti-crime and violence-prevention efforts.

"Summer of Safety participants will help the American people take their communities back," said Eli Segal, CEO of the Corporation. "Chicago certainly can benefit greatly from more urban greenery and increased efforts in violence-prevention activities. Yet, instead of just talking about these problems, this Administration will get things done. The Chicago Summer of Safety project will meet critical community needs."

CHICAGO PROJECT

Until AmeriCorps publishes its final rules it is not clear if they will compute the matching requirement based on the total program cost including the basic living allowance or the total cost excluding the basic living allowance. For that reason match percentages have been computed two ways to ensure that in both cases our application does request more than 75% of the funds from Americorps.

TOTAL	100.00%
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May 2, 1994

To: Mike Rusell, Terry Donahue
From: Joel Berg
Re: Demographic Information for Chicago

Per our discussion, attached is the latest (1990) census data for metropolitan Chicago, the State of Illinois, and the City of Chicago.

Metropolitan Chicago is:

66.3% White
19.2% African-American
11.1% Hispanic
3.2% Asian of Pacific Islander
0.2% American Indian, Alaska Native

The City of Chicago is:

37.3% White
39.1% African-American
19.6% Hispanic
3.7% Asian of Pacific Islander
0.3% American Indian, Alaska Native

Given that the metropolitan area of Chicago is 63% white, and that even the City of Chicago itself is 37.3% white, I believe it would be a serious blow to our goal of diversity if our Chicago program did not have a significant percentage of white participants.

Furthermore, it should be noted, that our program will be the only Summer of Safety AmeriCorps program in the entire state of Illinois.

The State of Illinois is:

78.3% White
14.8% African-American
7.9% Hispanic
2.5% Asian of Pacific Islander

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If you are interested in applying to the Corporation for National and Community Service for national and community service program funding and need more information, help is as near as your telephone or computer.

Application assistance is available through national video conferences, through a six-week schedule for telephone conference assistance, through Internet, and through the mail for the following national and community service programs:

AmeriCorps is the President's new national service program which engages the energy of the American people, especially its young people, in meeting the most critical education, public safety, human, and environmental needs of our communities. AmeriCorps offers opportunities for Americans age 17 or older to make a substantial commitment to serving their country and to earn money for college in return. Grants totalling over \$153 million will be awarded to not-for-profit organizations, to local, State, and Federal agencies, to Indian tribes, to institutions of higher education, to local school and police districts, and to partnerships among any of the above.

Learn and Serve America programs integrate service, and service-learning, into daily academic life for students in both K-12, higher education institutions, and community-based programs. Service-learning is a method by which young people learn and develop through active participation in service experiences that meet community needs and foster a lifetime commitment to service. The **K-12 School-based and Community-Based Programs** support projects that engage school-age youth in service-learning activities and involve adult volunteers in the schools. In fiscal year 1994, \$30 million will be available for teacher training, for the placement of service-learning coordinators in schools, and for grants to local partnerships through State Education Agencies, State Commissions, and grant-making entities. The **Higher Education Programs** will award approximately \$9 million to individual colleges and universities, consortia, or partnerships between higher education institutions and public or private nonprofits in order to develop high-quality programs that make service an integral part of students' education experience.

Summer of Safety is the summer service program which will leverage the energy and talent of over 6,000 Americans in a range of projects designed to strengthen the ability of communities to respond to problems of crime, violence and fear. Though emphasizing youth service, opportunities to participate in the Summer of Safety will be available for citizens of all ages, working through one of several programs sponsored by the Corporation. Some programs will provide full-time participants with minimum wage stipends and a \$1000 educational benefit. Others will provide part-time and non-stipended service opportunities for older adults and for youth in grades K-12.

Application Deadlines

Summer of Safety		March 14, 1994
Learn and Serve America:	K-12 School-based	April 1, 1994
Learn and Serve America:	Higher Education	April 9, 1994
AmeriCorps, National Service:	Direct (national & multi-state)	April 15, 1994
Learn and Serve America:	K-12 Community-based	May 27, 1994
AmeriCorps, National Service:	State	June 15, 1994