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District Attorney's Office Forfeiture Fund - AntiViolence & Community Wellbeing Grants

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Forfeiture Fund Background

Pursuant to obligations under the Pennsylvania Controlled Substances Forfeiture Act, 42 Pa.C.S.A. § 5802, and the final order entered in *Sourovellis v. City of Philadelphia*, Civ. Action No. 2:14-cv-04687-ER, the Office of the District Attorney of Philadelphia must utilize funds forfeited to it to support **community-based anti-crime and anti-narcotics programs**.

Organizations may use funds to support anti-crime/anti-drug/anti-violence initiatives consistent with guidance from the Office of the Attorney General of Pennsylvania and the United States Department of Justice.

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DAO Partnership with PF

The Philadelphia Foundation (PF) provides administrative support to the District Attorney's Office (DAO) for the Forfeiture Fund Anti-Violence Grants.

PF will assist applicants as needed, make initial review of applications and conduct fiscal due diligence. DAO will make final award decisions.

Project budgets, expense and impact reports are gathered by PF and shared with DAO.



General Areas of Focus

Programs that:

- Engage at-risk youth or community members and explicitly counter violence or aim to prevent violence or addiction
- Assist with recovery and rehabilitation from addiction
- Focus on reintegration and finding gainful employment after imprisonment
- Promote community safety and wellbeing

For the first cycle of 2024, grants will focus on recovery from or prevention of addiction.

Eligibility Requirements

- 501(c)3 nonprofit or fiscally sponsored organization operating in Philadelphia that offers services in line with grant focus for the grant cycle
- Track record of delivering programming that helps Philadelphians escape poverty and avoid crime and drug addiction, so that they may live productive, successful, and fulfilling lives.

Priority given to:

- Programs that focus explicitly on violence prevention, or other grant focus for that cycle
- Organizations with annual operating budgets under \$1 million; majority of grants will be awarded to organizations with experience managing outside funds and budgets between \$50,000-\$500,000*
- Programs serving individuals in areas facing multiple risk factors, including but not limited to: West/Southwest, North Central, Eastern North and River Wards, and Germantown

* Organizations with total budgets up to \$5M may apply, though grant request should specify an aligned project and demonstrate why this funding would fill a gap and support greater impact.

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Non-Permitted Uses

- Alcoholic beverages, tobacco products and controlled substances (except those used to reverse drug overdose)
- Cash on hand, secondary accounts, and stored value cards
- Costs related to lawsuits
- Creation of endowment or scholarships
- Excessive food and beverage
- Extravagant or wasteful expenditures and entertainment
- Judicial trainings
- Loans
- Personal use or political gain, including but not limited to any purpose that creates the appearance that the funds are being used for political gain or personal benefit
- Political campaigns, including but not limited to contributions
- Purchase of items to be used by or for an entity other than the grantee
- Use of property purchased with grant funds by non-grantee personnel
- Uses contrary to state or local laws (i.e., Any purpose that would constitute an illegal or improper use of the funds under the laws, rules, regulations of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or the City and County of Philadelphia)

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Grant Cycles and Deadlines for 2024-25

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| Grant Cycle Focus Area | Opening | Application Deadline |
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| Addiction Recovery and Prevention | 2/14 | 3/6 |
| Cycling, Swimming, Summer Camps | 4/1 | 4/19 |
| Gun Violence Intervention | 5/20 | 6/7 |
| Trauma, Healing and Support for Youth Impacted by Violence | 8/26 | 9/20 |
| Support for Elder Victims and Anti-Violence Programs that Impact Seniors | 11/25 | 12/27 |
| Re-entry and Workforce | 2/3/25 | 3/14/25 |

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Required Attachments

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Nonprofits that meet basic eligibility requirements may complete the online application and upload supplemental documents including:

- 501(c)(3) IRS determination letter
- List of Board of Directors
- Most recent 990 or reviewed financial statements (Profit Loss Statement may be acceptable, email to confirm)
- Organizational Budget (Project Budget will be requested if awarded a grant)
- Board-approved Nondiscrimination Policy (especially important for any programs with a religious orientation in the mission of the organization)

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FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO APPLY:

- Visit <https://smr.to/p93020>

QUESTIONS:

- Submit any additional inquiries to kthompson@philafound.org

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