



## Crime Reduction Grants Overview

### *Background of the Crime Reduction Grants Act*

- The Crime Reduction Grant Act (CRGA), Chapter 31, Article 28 NMSA 1978 was passed in 2019 to spur local-level innovations to address criminal justice issues.
- The CRGA designated the New Mexico Sentencing Commission to administer the grant funds.
- Under the CRGA, every Judicial District has established a Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC), whose members are the key criminal justice agencies in the Judicial District. Some Judicial Districts also have non-profits on their CJCC.
- The CRGA is intended to fund pilot projects proposed by local entities, focusing on local solutions to local problems.
- Under the CRGA, it is anticipated that certain programs might be funded through the crime reduction grants process for multiple grant cycles, but once a program has been shown to be effective, the program would then turn to the Legislature for funding.

### *Grants Award Process*

- Members of a CJCC may apply for a crime reduction grant under the CRGA.
- Applications for crime reduction grants must be approved by the CJCC to ensure that there is a strong nexus between the grant request and local needs, and support for the project from local criminal justice stakeholders.
- All applications are reviewed by the NMSC's Grants Committee for award selection.

### *FY 2027 Grants Awarded*

- For FY 2027, the NMSC received over **\$1 million** in requests for crime reduction grants.
- There were no additional funds appropriated to the NMSC for crime reduction grants for FY 2027. Only **\$328,500**, which came from the Commission's base budget, was available for crime reduction grant awards for FY 2027.
- The Grants Committee awarded **10** FY 2027 grants, for a total of **\$310,640**. None of the awarded grantees received their full requested amount. The remaining **\$17,860** available for crime reduction grant awards for FY 2027 will be allocated to the FY 2027 grantees later in the fiscal year, depending on grant performance and demonstrated need.
- FY 2027 crime reduction grant awards were made to the following Judicial Districts:

<u>JD</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Grant Subject</u>	<u>Amount Awarded</u>
2nd	LOPD	Warrant workshops	\$20,000
3rd	Dona Ana County	Strategic Plan	\$53,200
4th	District Court	Trainer and therapy garden	\$11,200
4th	Mora County	CIT in-state training	\$36,800
5th	District Court	CCATCP incentives	\$4,000
5th	Artesia Municipal Ct.	Compliance incentives	\$16,000
6th	Luna County	Pathways to Success	\$40,488
8th	District Court	Pretrial services	\$36,256
11th	District Court	Transportation	\$16,000
11th	San Juan County	Re-entry services	\$76,696