Senator Charles E. Shannon Community Safety Initiative

GANG PREVENTION GRANT PROGRAM
8100-0111

Overview
In 2006, the Metropolitan Mayors Coalition worked with the legislature to establish the Senator Charles E. Shannon Community Safety Initiative. Shannon Grant funding has been dedicated to combating youth violence, gang violence and substance abuse through regional, multi-disciplinary efforts.

SUPPORT
Regional law enforcement operations and after school programs

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<td>Hotspot Patrols</td>
<td>An effective mobilization tool for police departments, hotspot patrols are used to monitor known gang areas, resulting in safer neighborhoods. To accommodate limited resources, police departments creatively ration funding to cover the cost of overtime and resources used during these patrols.</td>
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<td>Metro Gang Taskforce (MGTF)</td>
<td>A specialized multiagency unit working throughout the region to train and support local police departments, the Metro Gang Taskforce’s regional capacity has decreased significantly due to lack of funding.</td>
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<td>Prevention Programs</td>
<td>Prevention-based programs for high-risk youth, such as after-school tutoring, recreational programs that target after school hours, and outreach to youth and their families to get them back in school.</td>
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<td>Community Awareness</td>
<td>Increased community awareness through training community groups, schools, hospitals, and community partners to better understand and identify gangs and gang youth, as well as steering committee meetings to better assess community resources and gaps in services and where to apply these resources.</td>
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Shannon Grants support:
We respectfully request your support to increase Shannon Grant Funding to $10 million in the FY18 Budget.

Shannon Grant Funding

We thank the Legislature and the Governor for their long-term support and respectfully request $10 million of funding in the FY2018 Budget for the Senator Charles E. Shannon Community Safety Initiative.

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