

**COPS**Office of Community Oriented Policing Services  
U.S. Department of Justice**COPS Hiring Recovery Program (CHRP)**

The Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office) is pleased to announce the availability of funding under the COPS Hiring Recovery Program (CHRP). The COPS Office will receive the funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 to address the personnel needs of state, local, and tribal law enforcement.

**Applications for CHRP grants will be accepted online via the COPS Office web site at [www.cops.usdoj.gov](http://www.cops.usdoj.gov) beginning March 16, 2009 through April 14, 2009.**

**[CLICK HERE TO APPLY](#)****Quick Overview**

- CHRP is a competitive grant program that provides funding directly to law enforcement agencies having primary law enforcement authority to create and preserve jobs and to increase their community policing capacity and crime-prevention efforts.
- Up to \$1 billion in grant funding will be available for the hiring and rehiring of additional career law enforcement officers.
- There is no local match requirement for CHRP, but grant funding will be based on current entry-level salary and benefits packages and therefore any additional costs for higher salaries or benefits for particular individuals hired will be the responsibility of the grantee agency.
- CHRP grants will provide 100 percent funding for approved entry-level salaries and benefits for 3 years (36 months) for newly-hired, full-time sworn officer positions (including filling existing unfunded vacancies) or for rehired officers who have been laid off, or are scheduled to be laid off on a future date, as a result of local budget cuts.

\*In addition, there is no cap on the number of positions an agency may request, but awards will be limited to available funding. Please be mindful of the initial 3-year grant period and your agency's ability to fill the officer positions awarded, while following your agency's established hiring policies and procedures.

- At the conclusion of federal funding, grantees must retain all sworn officer positions awarded under the CHRP grant. The retained CHRP-funded position(s) should be added to the grantees law enforcement budget with state and/or local funds, over and above the number of locally-funded positions that would have existed in the absence of the grant.

The COPS Hiring Recovery Program funding is in addition to \$2.76 billion in preventing and controlling crime and \$225 million to combat violence against women. For more information on CHRP and additional Department of Justice grant program opportunities, including the Byrne JAG Program, click below:

- [CHRP Letter from the Acting COPS Director](#)
- [Office of Justice Programs](#)

- Office on Violence Against Women

To determine if your agency will be eligible to apply for CHRP funding, please [click here](#)

To learn about the Department of Justice's implementation of the Recovery Act, visit [www.usdoj.gov/recovery](http://www.usdoj.gov/recovery)



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# Welcome to the COPS Hiring Recovery Program

For guidance in the CHRP Application process, browse the links on the left-hand side before starting the application.

Helpful Hints

I understand and agree that entering my username and password serves as an electronic signature when submitting this CHRP grant application online.

CHRP Home

When contacting the COPS Office concerning the submission of this application, please reference your agencies ORI number. Once submitted, agencies are not able to go back in and make changes to your application. If you have any questions or concerns you may contact the COPS Office Response Center at 800.421.6770 or [click here to email COPS](mailto:askConsRC@usdoj.gov).

Application Guide

424 Instructions

**Your current application status is: Application not submitted. Please complete the eligibility worksheet below to start.**

CHRP Application (PDF)

Nonsupplanting FAQ

Retention FAQ's

Program and Financial Requirements

## CHRP Eligibility Worksheet

The answers to these questions will determine your eligibility for funding under this program.

The COPS Office recommends that you review CHRP Application Guide carefully before completing the eligibility worksheet and starting your application.

If you have questions regarding your eligibility after reviewing this information, please contact the COPS Office Response Center at 1.800.421.6770 or [askConsRC@usdoj.gov](mailto:askConsRC@usdoj.gov)

Note that if you are deemed ineligible at any point during your completion of the eligibility worksheet, the system will prevent you from accessing the remainder of the grant application.

Is your law enforcement agency a start-up agency?

*Start-up agencies are not eligible for funding under this program. If you select YES, the system will prevent you from completing the rest of the grant application.*

Yes  No

Is your agency applying for this grant as part of a consortium of agencies?

*Agencies applying for funds as a consortium are not eligible for funding under this program. However, agencies within that consortium are encouraged to apply individually. If you select YES, the system will prevent you from completing the rest of the grant application.*

Yes  No

Is your agency a Tribal law enforcement agency?

Yes  No

Is your agency applying for funds under this grant to contract for law enforcement services?

Yes  No

Does the law enforcement agency have primary law enforcement authority for the population served?

*Only agencies that have primary law enforcement authority are eligible to apply for funding under this grant program. An agency with primary law enforcement authority is defined as the first responder to calls for service, and has ultimate and final responsibility for the prevention, detection, and/or investigation of crime within its jurisdiction. If you select NO, the system will prevent you from completing the rest of the grant application.*

Yes  No

Is your law enforcement agency a type other than a local, state, or tribal agency (e.g., Transit, School, University/College, Public Housing, Natu

Yes  No

Has your agency planned to retain all position(s) awarded under this grant program for at least 12 months following the conclusion of 36 months

*Agencies that do not plan to retain all position(s) awarded under CHRP for at least 12 months are not eligible for funding under this grant program. If you select NO, the system will prevent you from completing the rest of the grant application.*

Yes  No

**Eligible**

Good news! Based on your responses and the eligibility criteria set up by the COPS Office for the CHRP grant program, your agency will be eligible to apply for CHRP funds. The COPS Office expects to open the CHRP application online by the end of March.