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Project Mission Statement

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The Gila County Drug, Gang, and Violent Crimes Task Force is a Multi-Agency/Multi-Jurisdictional Unit that conducts narcotic, gang and violent crime investigations. Our mission is to disrupt, interdict, and dismantle such offenses in order to reduce criminal activities inside and outside our communities. Through city, county, state and federal inter-agency collaborations the Gila County Drug, Gang, and Violent Crime Task Force focuses on identifying and initiating investigations on violent crimes and on individuals, gangs, organizations, and cartels involved in cultivating, manufacturing, transporting, distribution, use and sale of narcotic and dangerous drugs. Through this Multi-Agency effort, the task force has attained successful interdictions, apprehensions and prosecutions of subjects involved in illicit drug, gang, and violent crimes.

Through the Multi-Agency collaboration of the task force training such as K-9, criminal interdiction, tactical SWAT clandestine lab entry, and marijuana cultivation is provided. The task force initiates investigations, provides assistance, resources, and intelligence to all requesting agencies. The task force partners with various community organizations and provides school and public demonstrations and education throughout Gila County, Pinal County, and the San Carlos Apache Reservation. The task force focus is to protect life, property, and the citizens within our community and surrounding areas.

Problem Statement

Identify the problem in your community that the grant funded program will address. Be very specific and include statistical data to define the severity of the identified problems. *Response is limited to 7,000 characters, including spaces.*

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With approximately 54,000, people Gila County covers approximately 4,760 square miles, with 56 % of Gila County being federal forest and state land. The sparse population has a small tax base therefore limiting resources. The terrain is comprised of both high desert, remote and rugged mountain landscape. Gila County also has three tribal reservations the San Carlos Apache, Tonto Apache and White Mountain Apache. These reservations encompass approximately 37% of the land mass.

The nexus that Gila County has to Mexico is that it is a major corridor in Arizona for illegal human and drug trafficking from its borders. According to the United States Drug Enforcement Administration, Arizona serves as a major distribution, hub, storage area and transshipment point for Mexican marijuana, meth, cocaine, and heroin being smuggled into domestic cities throughout the United States. Gila County has identified four (4) major drug corridor routes: U.S. Highway 60 from Phoenix through the State of New Mexico, U.S. Highway 70 from Lordsburg, New Mexico to Interstate 40, State Route 77 from Tucson to Interstate 40, and State Route 87 from Phoenix to Interstate 40. Phoenix, Tucson, Lordsburg, and other metropolitan areas are in close proximity to Gila County and have been deemed distribution centers for Mexico, Columbia, and Asian countries.

The Tonto National Forest is very conducive to the cultivation/distribution of marijuana due to its abundant water supply, elevation, vast remote forest lands, and dense vegetation making aerial surveillance difficult. Marijuana grow sites that we have encountered are generally at the bottom of steep ravines, with no direct trails that lead into the grow sites. These factors have made the Tonto National Forest the seventh largest outdoor marijuana grow cultivation site in the United States. The primary suspects found in grow sites, sales, distribution and smuggling are undocumented aliens which is indicative of large drug organizations/DTO's inside and outside of the United States. Generally, a language barrier is encountered when identifying the suspects. The grow sites also have a direct impact on the public safety suspects are known to be armed and have fired upon unsuspecting hikers, campers, hunters, and forest service personnel who accidentally have stumbled upon or near a grown site. Environmental issues are also a concern to the forest area due to the increased fire hazards from unsafe propane usage, unattended fires, destruction/cutting of forest trees and brush, the use of fertilizers and pesticides, processing and packing materials, and human waste/garbage. During FY13/14 the collaboration between the Gila County Drug, Gang, and Violent Crimes Task Force, Phoenix P.D., D.E.A. Arizona D.P.S. , the United States Forest Service, the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the San Carlos Apache Recreation and Wildlife Law Enforcement Division disrupted/dismantled one major drug trafficking organization operating out of Mexico, California, and Arizona.

The San Carlos Apache, Tonto Apache and White Mountain Apache Reservations pose a great challenge to law enforcement as it relates to the inability to enforce laws, gather intelligence on drug trafficking and gang activities, and utilization of resources to suppress criminal activities traveling through and into our communities. The Gila County Drug, Gang, and Violent Crimes Task Force has collaborated with the tribal police agencies assisting and sharing case information as well as working on the indoor/outdoor marijuana cultivation investigations.

The Gila County Drug, Gang, and Violent Crimes Task Force have seen a tremendous increase in the amount of gang, drug, and violent crimes connected back to the gang affiliations in Gila County. An example of this is the strong representation of outlaw motorcycle gangs such as the "Loners" and the "Hell Angels" in Gila County. Intelligence shows that a "Hell Angels" associate has purchased property in northern Gila County as a hidden owner for the outlaw motorcycle gang. Additionally the "Loners" motorcycle members are actively being used by the "Hell Angels" to recruit new members. It has been well published the outlaw motorcycle gangs distribute illegal drugs. Another example of gang affiliation involves the collaboration of the task force and the Gila County Sheriff's Office in two separate violent crime investigations. These cases involved suspects from the "East Side Globe Crips" and "Sangre Marron" which have ties to the Mexican Mafia prison gang. We are finding that these gangs are starting to have a heavy presence in the Gila County area. In comparison to FY12/13 Gila County Drug, Gang, and Violent Crimes Task identified (0) gang members of this affiliation, but in FY13/14 (35) gang members of this affiliation were identified.

Gila County has had an 880% increase in heroin cases, 149% in psilocybin mushroom cases, and 485% in prescription pill cases, along with a 575% increase in drug cases involving weapons. The following statistics below will reflect this:

March 1, 2012, through March 21, 2013, the task force conducted 89 drug related arrests and 99 other arrests. During this time, 12,504 marijuana plants were seized and eradicated which equates to 18,756 pounds of marijuana at one and half pounds per plant. At approximately \$850.00 per pound, the street value is \$15,942,600.00. Related statistical data is as follows:

- Marijuana (374.3) lbs
- Meth (7.15) lbs
- Heroin (27.02) gms
- Cocaine (30) gms
- Psilocybin Mushroom (6.7) gms
- Prescription drugs (37.5) du
- Interdiction stops (1431)
- Drug Presentations (23) with (2806) attendees
- Undocumented aliens detained (2)
- Agency assists (321)
- Knock and talks (132)
- Search warrants (27)
- Weapons seized (4)
- Cash seized (\$2,635.00)
- Vehicles seized (5)
- Hospice calls (40) (destruction)
- Warrant roundups (13)

March 22, 2013, through March 21, 2014, the Task Force conducted 226 drug related arrests and 127 other arrest. During this time 12,746 marijuana plants were seized and eradicated which equates to 19,119 pounds of marijuana at one and half pounds per plant. At approximately \$850.00 per pound, the street value is \$16,251,150.00. Related statistical data is as follows:

- Marijuana (132.87) lbs
- Meth (565.62) gms check on Phelan dope
- Heroin (238) gms
- Cocaine (15.1) gms
- Psilocybin Mushroom (10) gms
- Prescription drugs (182) du
- Interdiction stops (2009)
- Drug Presentations (27) with (1729) attendees
- Undocumented aliens detained (18)
- Agency assists (549)
- Knock and talks (105)
- Search warrants (29)
- Weapons seized (23)
- Cash seized (\$13,932.00)
- Vehicles seized (14)
- Hospice calls (68) (destruction)
- Warrant roundups (21)

As a community based program, the Gila County Drug, Gang, and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinated with the Crossing Hospice Care Center to try to curtail the availability of pharmaceutical narcotic prescription drugs. This collaboration of taking for destruction

the narcotic drugs left behind by deceased individuals curtails the availability of drugs reaching the street.

Project Summary

Provide a summary of the program the ACJC grant funds will support. Include how the program addresses the problem in the community, what services are provided, the population served, why it is important, and how it is unique. *Response is limited to 7,000 characters, including spaces.*

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The Gila County Drug, Gang, and Violent Crimes Task Force is overseen by a three member Task Force board consisting of the Gila County Sheriff, the Director of the Arizona Department of Public Safety, and the Gila County Attorney. The Gila County Sheriff's Office is the umbrella agency and handles the administrative and financial operations of the Task Force. It is comprised of a Task Force Commander, a Sergeant, and five detectives to include two K-9 units which are based out of Globe and Payson. The Gila County Attorney's Office has a prosecutor assigned to all the cases maintaining a strong working relationship. The Task Force serves an approximate population of 54,000 people encompassing approximately 4,760 square miles.

The Task Force coordinates efforts with the Arizona Department of Public Safety, Gila County Sheriff's Office, Gila County Adult and Juvenile Probation, Globe PD, Miami PD, Hayden PD, Payson PD, San Carlos Apache Recreation and Wildlife Law Enforcement Division, the United States Forest Service and the United States Marshall's Office in conducting warrant roundups for drug and violent crime offenders. In addition, the Task Force coordinates with Community Bridges, the Gila County Attorney's Office, the Boys and Girls Club, Community Civic Organizations, The Gila County and San Carlos School Districts in providing drug awareness and K-9 demonstrations throughout Gila County, Pinal County, and the San Carlos Apache Reservation.

In collaboration with law enforcement officers from the Arizona Department of Public Safety, Gila County Sheriff's Office, Globe PD, Miami PD, Payson PD, Phoenix PD, U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, United States Forest Service and the San Carlos Apache Recreation and Wildlife Law Enforcement Division conducts criminal interdiction/saturation details of the major drug corridor routes consisting of U.S. Hwy 60 and 188 and SR 70 and 77. The daily operations include north and southbound interdiction efforts dictated by actionable intelligence and focuses on arrest operations, prosecutions, and appropriate civil sanctions.

Education is a key component in curbing the use of illicit drugs by providing drug awareness education to the communities. The Task Force coordinates with the school districts, Community Bridges, Boys and Girls Clubs of America, and the Arizona Youth Partnership to reach both adult and juvenile populations. Through these collaborated efforts the task force raises awareness of substance abuse education on meth, heroin, prescription medication, substance-abuse prevention, treatment programs and programs offered through law enforcement and the criminal justice system within our communities.

The Task Force has collaborated with the Crossing Hospice Care Center since 2011, picking up narcotic medications from patients that have recently passed away. In prior investigations, the Task Force found that the narcotic medications of the deceased patients were ending up on the streets. The Task Force is continuing the collaborative efforts in collecting and destroying the prescription medications.

The Task Force is an important and unique entity within Gila County because the Task Force brings intelligence, law enforcement agencies, tools, and needed personnel together to complete and prosecute cases that would otherwise go uninvestigated. The Task Force is an aggressive entity that takes charge of investigations dealing with the enforcement of drug, gang, and violent crimes. The Task Force leads this effort by working with every law enforcement officer in Gila County. For example, the Task Force responds to the investigative needs of the Hayden PD, Globe PD, Miami PD, and the San Carlos Apache Recreation and Wildlife Law Enforcement Division due to the absence of criminal investigators in their agencies. Additionally the Task Force coordinates with the Payson PD's personnel in conducting their investigations.

As reported in the 2013 EDGE report (page 35-36) the following were Gila County's quarterly highlights:

- In August 2012, in a collaborated effort among the Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force, the Gila County Sheriff's Office and Payson Police Department, information was received on two indoor marijuana cultivation operations being conducted in the Pine, Arizona area. A knock-and-talk was conducted at both residences and a total of 91 marijuana plants

were seized and two suspects arrested and identified as major street-level marijuana dealers in the Pine/Strawberry/Payson areas. The marijuana seized had a street value of \$116,025. Information from both suspects led to other investigations into more indoor marijuana cultivation sites in Northern Gila County.

- In September and October 2012, in a collaborated effort among the Gila County Drug, Gang, and Violent Crimes Task Force, the Arizona Department of Public Safety, the San Carlos Apache Recreation and Wildlife Department and the Bureau of Indian Affairs Narcotics Division, a raid on two outdoor marijuana cultivation sites on the San Carlos Apache Indian Reservation was conducted after receiving information from the Chandler Police Department Narcotics Unit. During the raid operations, 4,830 marijuana plants were eradicated and seized with a street value of \$4,105,500. Evidence found in both marijuana cultivation sites identified both grow sites as being connected to and operated by a Mexican DTO in the Phoenix area.

- In December 2012, the Arizona Department of Public Safety requested the task force's assistance with a traffic stop on Highway 60. Detectives, along with drug detection canines, met with the investigating officer. After an alert on the vehicle by the canine, a search of the vehicle was conducted and resulted in the seizure of over six pounds of methamphetamines and \$1,547 in U.S. currency. The street value of the methamphetamines was over \$150,000. Information from the interview conducted was passed on to the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) in Albuquerque, New Mexico and the DEA was able to identify a major drug dealer out of the Albuquerque area. The information was also passed on to a New Mexico sheriff's office which led to information on suspected gang members and their operations in the New Mexico and Arizona areas.

- In March 2013 the Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Interdiction Unit along with the Arizona Department of Public Safety conducted a traffic stop on Highway 70. During the investigation, a drug detection canine from the task force conducted a drug sniff of the vehicle, and 121 pounds of marijuana were seized along with \$1,088 in U.S. currency and a vehicle. The marijuana had a street value of \$102,850. Information from the traffic stop was given to an Arkansas law enforcement team and the investigation is ongoing

Project Collaboration

Programs must demonstrate a strong collaborative effort in *each* of these areas: law enforcement, prosecution, service providers, community organizations and other social service agencies. List the public and private organizations your agency collaborates with in connection with your grant (excluding participating agencies already identified in the 'General Information' section).

Enter narrative below:

Local Agencies

Apache County Sheriff's Office - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that may be conducive to furthering cases involving drug, warrants and marijuana cultivation.

Apache County Accent - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that may be conducive to furthering cases involving drug, warrants and marijuana cultivation.

Apache Junction Police Department - - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that may be conducive to furthering cases involving drug, and warrants

Chandler Police Department - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that maybe conducive to furthering case involving drugs, narcotic reversals, and warrants. K-9 training is also coordinated between Chandler Police Department and the Task Force

Coolidge Police Department - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that may be conducive to furthering cases involving drug, and warrants.

Gila County Attorney's Office - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates and promotes the legal interest

of the county and promotes public safety by sharing the legal ramifications for drug abuse offenders in our communities. The Gila County Attorney's Office handles all prosecutions, asset forfeiture and contracts to suspects used in case investigations along with legal opinions in coordination with the Task Force on case investigations.

Gila County Attorney's Office Diversion Division - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates knock and talks and search warrants activities during their home diversion visits of suspects on the diversion program.

Gila County Adult Probation Department – The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force collaborates with probation personnel on home visits and intelligence reference to subject(s) who are on probation and who may be involved in current criminal activity.

Gila County Juvenile Probation Department – The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force K-9 Unit collaborates with the detention staff on random K-9 narcotic sniffs of the detention center and juvenile housing areas.

Gila County Sheriff's Office – The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates investigations and assists in providing resource information to trustees about support and staying away from drugs once they are released. Additionally, they survey trustees on the familiarity with drugs, drug abuse and drug accessibility in the communities to help define which areas the Task Force need to focus on for future programs and investigations.

Gilbert Police Department - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that maybe conducive to furthering case involving drugs, narcotic reversals, and warrants.

Glendale Police Department - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that maybe conducive to furthering case involving drugs, narcotic reversals, and warrants.

Globe Police Department - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that maybe conducive to furthering case involving drugs, narcotic reversals, and warrants.

Globe Fire Department - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates efforts in K-9 training and certification for their Arson K-9 program.

Graham County Sheriff's Office - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that maybe conducive to furthering case involving drugs, narcotic reversals, and warrants.

Hayden Police Department - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that maybe conducive to furthering case involving drugs, narcotic reversals, and warrants.

Maricopa County Sheriff's Office - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that may be conducive to furthering cases involving drug, warrants and marijuana cultivation.

Mesa Police Department - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that maybe conducive to furthering case involving drugs, narcotic reversals, and warrants.

Miami Police Department - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that maybe conducive to furthering case involving drugs, narcotic reversals, and warrants.

Navajo County Sheriff's Office- The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that maybe conducive to furthering case involving drugs, narcotic reversals, and warrants.

Navajo County MCAT- The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that may be conducive to furthering cases involving drug, warrants and marijuana cultivation.

Payson Police Department - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that maybe conducive to furthering case involving drugs, narcotic reversals, and warrants.

Pima County Sheriff's Department – - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that maybe conducive to furthering case involving drugs, narcotic reversals, and warrants.

Pinal County Attorney's Office - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that maybe conducive to furthering cases involving drugs and warrants.

Pinal County Sheriff's Office -- The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that maybe

conducive to furthering case involving drugs, narcotic reversals, and warrants.

Phoenix Police Department Narcotics/Criminal Investigation Division - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force join forces to gather intelligence, creating a data base on suspects involved in marijuana cultivation, and drug activity in the Phoenix metropolitan area with a nexus to Gila County. The Phoenix Police Department is also an active participant on a daily case investigation.

Phoenix Police Department Fugitive Task Force - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force teams up with the Phoenix Police Department Fugitive Task Force with intelligence on wanted suspects that have a nexus to the Gila County area.

Show Low Police Department- The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that maybe conducive to furthering case involving drugs, narcotic reversals, and warrants.

Snowflake/Taylor Police Department- The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that maybe conducive to furthering case involving drugs, narcotic reversals, and warrants.

Superior Police Department- The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that maybe conducive to furthering case involving drugs, narcotic reversals, and warrants.

Yavapai County Sheriff's Office- The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that maybe conducive to furthering case involving drugs, narcotic reversals, and warrants.

Yavapai County PANT- The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that may be conducive to furthering cases involving drug, warrants and marijuana cultivation.

State Agencies

Arizona Attorney General's Office Asset Forfeiture Unit - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force works in partnership with Arizona Attorney General Forfeiture Unit in processing asset forfeiture cases that may not be able to be handled at the county level.

Arizona Department of Child Protective Services - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force works in cooperation with the Arizona Department of Child Protective Services in Gila County to facilitate their case work as well as new drug cases that may involve juvenile(s) in a dangerous or violent atmosphere.

Arizona Department of Corrections Services - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates intelligence on gang members in the Gila County areas well as suspect(s) housed in the Gila County Sheriff's Jail and/or the Arizona Department of Corrections Prison Globe Complex.

Arizona Department of Public Safety Highway Patrol Division Services - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates efforts with narcotic interdictions through their K-9 units and uniform personnel working the major thoroughfares such as US Highway 60, US Highway 70, State Route 77, State Route 87, State Route 188 and State Route 288.

Arizona Department of Public Safety GITEM Services - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any identified intelligence on gang members in the Gila County area as well as suspect(s) housed in the Gila County Sheriff's Jail and/or the Arizona Department of Corrections Globe Prison Complex.

Arizona Department of Public Safety Special Operations Unit/Explosive Ordinance Division/Criminal Investigations Division Services - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force collaborates with the Maricopa County Sheriff's Clandestine Drug Lab Task Force, D.E.A., and the Arizona Department of Public Safety reference to meth lab investigations. The Task Force also provides instruction on clandestine meth lab entries during the Arizona Department of Public Safety SWAT School. The Arizona Department of Public Safety is also an active participant on daily case investigations.

HIDTA-Phoenix Services - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates' information gathered on any criminal activity in and outside of the Gila County area.

RISSAFE Services - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates' information gathered on any criminal activity in and outside of Gila County area.

Out of State Agencies

Alamogordo Police Department, Alamogordo, New Mexico - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force collaborates

with intelligence, criminal interdictions, and controlled drug deliveries in their area.

Bernalillo County Sheriff's Office, Albuquerque, New Mexico- The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force collaborates with intelligence, criminal interdictions, and controlled drug deliveries in their area.

Cincinnati Police Department, Cincinnati Ohio- The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force collaborates with intelligence, criminal interdictions, and controlled drug deliveries in their area.

Durango Police Department, Durango Colorado- The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force collaborates with intelligence, criminal interdictions, and controlled drug deliveries in their area.

Hoke County Sheriff's Office, Hoke County, North Carolina- The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force collaborates with intelligence, criminal interdictions, and controlled drug deliveries in their area.

Kansas City Police Department, Kansas City, Kansas- The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force collaborates with intelligence, criminal interdictions, and controlled drug deliveries in their area.

Kansas City Police Department, Kansas City, Missouri- The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force collaborates with intelligence, criminal interdictions, and controlled drug deliveries in their area.

Otero County Sheriff's Office, Alamogordo, New Mexico- The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force collaborates with intelligence, criminal interdictions, and controlled drug deliveries in their area.

Otero County District Attorney's Office, Alamogordo, New Mexico- The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force collaborates with intelligence, expert testimony, involving cases that involve suspect from their area.

Federal Agencies

Bureau of Indian Affairs Criminal Investigation Division - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force collaborates with intelligence, criminal interdictions, and controlled drug deliveries in their area.

Drug Enforcement Administration - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force collaborates with the D.E.A during marijuana cultivation/eradication investigations.

San Carlos Apache Tribal Police Department, San Carlos, Arizona- The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that maybe conducive to furthering cases involving drugs, gangs, warrants and marijuana cultivation

San Carlos Apache Recreation and Wildlife Law Enforcement Division, San Carlos, Arizona- The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that maybe conducive to furthering cases involving drugs, gangs, warrants and marijuana cultivation

White Mountain Apache Police Department - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinates any intelligence that maybe conducive to furthering cases involving drugs, gangs, warrants and marijuana cultivation

Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Department - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force collaborates with intelligence sharing reference to ongoing and current trends in weapon violation, explosive violations and case law. They also provide ongoing K-9 Explosive Detection training for the (2) explosive detection K-9's assigned to the Task Force and the Gila County Sheriff's Office.

United States Border Patrol - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force collaborates with the Border Patrol with intelligence on border crossing suspects and providing training on clandestine labs.

United States Forest Service - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force collaborates with the Forest Service during marijuana cultivation/eradication investigations

United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force coordinate with I.C.E. Agents on undocumented alien detention, intelligence, and identification.

United States Marshall's Fugitive Task Force - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force collaborates with the Fugitive Task Force in tracking down wanted suspects and intelligence on subjects who may be associated.

Schools

The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes collaborates with all the schools listed in conducting drug awareness presentations, K-9

demonstrations, and K-9 sniff's for contraband on a continuing basis.

Charles Bejarano Elementary School, Miami, Arizona
Copper Rim Elementary School, Globe, Arizona
Destiny Elementary School, Globe, Arizona
Globe High School, Globe, Arizona
Hayden Elementary School, Winkleman, Arizona
Hayden Junior High School, Winkleman, Arizona
Hayden High School, Winkleman, Arizona
High Desert Junior High School, Globe, Arizona
Liberty High School, Globe, Arizona
Miami High School, Miami, Arizona
Tonto Basin Elementary School, Tonto Basin, Arizona
Payson High School, Payson, Arizona
Pine/Strawberry Elementary/Middle School, Pine, Arizona
San Carlos Apache Junior High School, San Carlos, Arizona
San Carlos Apache High School, San Carlos, Arizona
St. Charles Parochial School, San Carlos, Arizona
Young Elementary, Middle, High School, Young, Arizona

Other Organizations

Arizona Public Service, Globe, Arizona - The company provides the Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force with information on possible drug activity they may become aware of during their call for service.

Cobre Valley Regional Medical Center, Globe, Arizona - This local hospital provides patients with resources on drug abused as well as insight to the Task Force about what sorts of drugs they are seeing patients deal with.

Community Bridges Drug and Alcohol Rehabilitation Globe and Payson, Arizona- This organization collaborates with the Task Force in providing educational efforts and quality treatment for substance abuse disorder. Recovering addicts share their stories during drug awareness presentations to help draw a clear picture for the attendees about the different stages of addiction and recovery. They also survey their intake patients and provide data on what sorts of drugs are being used in our communities and how accessible the drugs are.

Crossing Hospice Care Center, Globe, Arizona – The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force responds to request for destruction of medication left behind by hospice patients to try and curb prescription drugs from reaching the streets for illicit use.

Freeport McMorhan Copper and Gold Mine, Miami, Arizona - The Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force provides drug awareness training and K-9 detection training/drug sniff for any contraband in their facility upon request.

Payson Regional Medical Center, Payson, Arizona - This local hospital provides patients with resources on drug abused as well as insight to the Task Force about what sorts of drugs they are seeing patients deal with.

Southwest Gas Company, Globe, Arizona - The company provides the Gila County Drug, Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force with information on possible drug activity they may become aware of during their call for service.

Describe in detail a recent collaboration, other than a service referral, involving one or several of the agencies listed above. Discuss the purpose of the collaboration, your agency's contribution to process and the outcomes. *Response is limited to 4,000 characters, including spaces.*

Enter narrative below:

In February of 2013, the Gila County Drug, Gang, and Violent Crimes Task Force in coordination with the Navajo County MCAT, Yavapai County PANT, the Payson Police Department and the Gila County Sheriff's Office conducted a joint operation/search warrants at four different locations in Navajo and Gila County in reference to indoor marijuana cultivation sites. During the investigation (120) marijuana plants were found in a residence in Payson and numerous items of edibles were located in a business, owned by the owner of the residence. One suspect was arrested on drug and criminal syndicate charges.

In September 2013, the Gila County Drug, Gang, and Violent Crimes Task Force received intelligence through the Globe Police Department and the Gila County Sheriff's Office G.I.T.E.M Detention Liaison Officer in reference to drug and gang activity at a residence in Globe. Due to the collaboration by the Globe Police Department, Gila County Sheriff's Office G.I.T.E.M Detention Liaison Officer, the Arizona Department of Public Safety Special Operations Units, the Arizona Department of Public Safety Explosive Ordinance Units, the Gila County Attorney's Office and the Gila County Sheriff's Office executed a search warrant on the residence. During the investigation, (13.7) grams of methamphetamines was seized, (4) guns were seized along with surveillance systems and numerous items of drug paraphernalia. During the investigation the Gila County Sheriff's Office G.I.T.E.M. Detention Liaison Officer was able to connect (6) suspects back to the East Side Globe Crips gang and (1) suspect was connected to "Sangre Marron" gang that has ties back into the Arizona Mexican Mafia prison gang. Six suspects were arrested for drug, weapon and criminal street gang violations.

In November 2013, the Gila County Drug, Gang, and Violent Crimes Task Force in coordination with the San Carlos Apache Recreation and Wildlife Law Enforcement Division, conducted an investigation into an outdoor marijuana cultivation site on the San Carlos Apache Indian Reservation. During the investigation (253) marijuana plants were located and eradicated. Three suspects were identified and later arrested on cultivation charges.

In November 2013, the Gila County Drug, Gang, and Violent Crimes Task Force in collaboration with the Gila County Sheriff's Office and the San Carlos Apache Recreation and Wildlife Law Enforcement Division conducted a high risk traffic stop on a vehicle in Globe. During the investigation a task force canine alerted to the vehicle and during the search of the vehicle, (43.6) grams of methamphetamines and 2.2 grams of marijuana along with \$204.00 in currency. Three suspects were arrested and the money and vehicle were seized.

In December of 2013, the Gila County Drug, Gang, and Violent Crimes Task Force in collaboration with the Hayden Police Department through intelligence sharing, conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle in Hayden. During the investigation, a task force canine alerted to the vehicle and (14.8) grams of methamphetamines, (38.9) grams of marijuana, (14.1) grams of cocaine were located along a .22 mag handgun and \$287.00 in currency. Two suspects were arrested on drugs, weapons and money laundering charges. The money, weapon and vehicle were seized.

In January of 2014, the Gila County Drug, Gang, and Violent Crimes Task Force in collaboration with the Gila County Sheriff's Office with a domestic violence call where two suspects were arrested. During the investigation, one suspect was in possession of approximately half a pound of methamphetamines. The suspect agreed to cooperate and Detectives with the Safford Police Department, Arizona Department of Public Safety and the Graham County Sheriff's Office were contacted. In coordination with these agencies, a controlled delivery was conducted in the Safford area. Two additional suspects were arrested and numerous items of stolen property and drug paraphernalia were located.

Evaluation Plan

How will you evaluate the effectiveness of the program activities? *Response is limited to 4,000 characters, including spaces.*

Enter narrative below:

Each month, the Gila County Drug, Gang, and Violent Crimes Task Force Commander will compile statistical data filled out by each detective on a task force generated "Alliance Report" form. The hand counted information will be summarized onto a monthly report and the monthly reports will be reported back to the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission in an on-line quarterly report.

The Gila County Drug, Gang, and Violent Crimes Task Force personnel will meet periodically to discuss the statistical data to be reported and where that data stands with our goals and objectives to interdict, assist, initiate and prosecute cases. Also during these meetings, informant case status will be discussed to determine if any new informants are being utilized or the need to deactivate old informants due to inactivity.

The Gila County Drug, Gang, and Violent Crimes Task Force, in collaboration with community civic organizations, evaluate the drug awareness presentations by taking surveys from the different groups that receive presentations. The Community Bridges Drug and Alcohol Rehabilitation in coordination with the Gila County Drug, Gang, and Violent Crimes Task Force will continue providing an alternative for suspects such as rehabilitation, in lieu of prosecution in the courts when the situation is feasible, as well as conducting presentations. The Task Force personnel will document all the information received and the number of attendees which is documented on Task Force Alliance Report forms.

Goal: To reduce or disrupt the flow of illicit drugs imported, transported, and sold in the community.

Objectives (please complete at least 1):

Description	%	#	Performance Measure
1.1 Increase Arrest for importing/transporting of illicit drugs.	%	20	Number of arrests for transport/import of drugs.
1.2 Increase arrests for the distribution of illicit drugs.	%	25	Number of arrests for distribution/sale of drugs.
	%	40	Number of arrests for buying and receiving drugs.
1.3 Disrupt methamphetamine labs.	%	60	Number of methamphetamine related investigations.
	%	1	Number of clandestine labs seized.
	%	1	Number of methamphetamine dump sites discovered.
	%	1	Number of methamphetamine sites referred from mitigation/cleanup.
1.4 Eradicate marijuana grows.	%	10	Initiate investigations and arrests on suspects cultivating.
	%	5	Number of indoor marijuana grows.
	%	10	Number of outdoor marijuana grows.
1.5 Disrupt or dismantle drug trafficking organizations.	%	6	Number of D.T.O.'s disrupted.
	%	5	Number of D.T.O.'s dismantled.
1.6 Arrest members of criminal street gangs.	%	30	Number of arrests of criminal street gang members.

Goal: Strengthen collaborative partnerships between federal, state, and local law enforcement, and prosecutorial agencies.

Objectives (please complete at least 1):

Description	%	#	Performance Measure
2.1 Conduct coordination or collaboration activities with other agencies.	%	20	Number of deconfliction events.
	%	10	Number of tips/leads referred to other task forces.
	%	3	Number of counter terrorism referrals.
	%	10	Number of drug-endangered child referrals or calls to C.P.S.
	%	60	Number of drug interdiction activity assists.
2.2 Conduct intelligence-driven collaborative investigations.	%	15	Number of intelligence-driven collaborative investigations.
	%	15	Number of intelligence-driven investigations resulting in arrests.
	%	15	Number of intelligence-driven investigations resulting in drug seizures.

Personnel

Enter narrative below:

Drug, Gang, and Violent Crimes Task Force consists of: a Commander, 1 Sergeant, and 3 Detectives (Grant Funded G.C.S.O.)

positions)

Full Time/Part Time

Position Title	# Pos (FTE)	Annual Salary	Subtotal Salary	ERE Rate	ERE Subtotal	Total
Commander	1	\$68,993.60	\$68,993.60	56.57%	\$39,029.68	\$108,023.28
Sergeant	1	\$55,244.80	\$55,244.80	59.33%	\$32,776.74	\$88,021.54
Detective	1	\$45,344.00	\$45,344.00	62.36%	\$28,276.52	\$73,620.52
Detective	1	\$45,344.00	\$45,344.00	62.36%	\$28,276.52	\$73,620.52
Detective	1	\$45,344.00	\$45,344.00	62.36%	\$28,276.52	\$73,620.52
					Salary Subtotal: \$260,270.00	
					ERE Subtotal: \$156,636.00	
					Total: \$416,906.00	

Overtime

Position Title	Hours	Hourly Wage	Subtotal Wages	ERE Rate	ERE Subtotal	Total
					Wages Subtotal: \$0.00	
					ERE Subtotal: \$0.00	
					Total: \$0.00	

ERE Breakdown

Enter narrative below:

Commander Position: \$68,993.60

Health Insurance: 11.10% (\$7659.12/annually)

Deputies Retirement: 34.20%

FICA/Medicare: 7.65%

Deputies Workman's Comp: 3.62%

Total ERE: 56.57%

Sergeant Position: \$55,244.80

Health Insurance: 13.86% (\$7659.12/annually)

Deputies Retirement: 34.20%

FICA/Medicare: 7.65%

Deputies Workman's Comp: 3.62%

Total ERE: 59.33%

Detective Position: \$45,344.00

Health Insurance: 16.89% (7659.12/annually)

Deputies Retirement: 34.20%

FICA/Medicare: 7.65%

Deputies Workman's Comp: 3.62%

Total ERE: 62.36%

Consultant/Contractual Services

Enter narrative below:

Expense Type	Hours	Rate	Total
			Total: \$0.00

Travel (In State)

Enter narrative below:

Expense Type	Units	Amount	Total
			Total: \$0.00

Travel (Out of State)

Enter narrative below:

Expense Type	Units	Amount	Total
			Total: \$0.00

Confidential Funds

Enter narrative below:

Expense Type	Amount	Total
		Total: \$0.00

Other Operating Expenses

Enter narrative below:

Expense Type	Type	Quantity	Each	Total
				Supplies Subtotal: \$0.00
				Registration/Training Subtotal: \$0.00
				Other Subtotal: \$0.00
				Total: \$0.00

Equipment Purchases

Enter narrative below:

Expense Type	Type	Quantity	Each	Total
				Capital Subtotal: \$0.00
				Non-Capital Subtotal: \$0.00
				Total: \$0.00

If matching funds are required for this grant program, provide a description of what funds will be used as the required match. General fund will provide any match to this grant program.

Total Project Cost

State: \$145,917.00 Federal: \$166,762.00 Match: \$104,227.00 Grand Total: \$416,906.00

Financial Capacity

Will ACJC funds be used as matching funds for other grant program(s)? No

If yes, please list the name(s) of the grant program and funding agency.

Audit Requirements

Provide the date of your last financial audit (A-133 or independent audit).

6/5/2013

Did the audit result in finding listed in the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs?

Yes

Policies & Procedures

Does the organization maintain policies which include procedures for assuring compliance with the terms of the grant award?

Yes

Does the organization maintain written codes of conduct for employees?

Yes

Does the organization maintain written procurement policies and procedures?

Yes

Accounting System

Is there a separate account maintained for grant funds?

Yes

How frequently does posting to the General Ledger occur?

Daily

Does the accounting system completely and accurately track the receipt and disbursements of funds by each grant or funding source?

Yes

Does the accounting system provide for the recording of actual costs compared to budgeted costs for each budget line item?

Yes

Internal Controls

Are time and effort distribution reports maintained for employees working fully or partially on grant programs and account for 100% of each employee's time?

Yes

Are employee time sheets supported by appropriately approved/signed documents?

Yes

Are duties of the bookkeeper/accountant segregated from the duties of cash receipt or cash disbursement?

Yes

Are checks signed by individuals whose duties exclude recording cash received, approving vouchers for payment, and the preparation of payroll?

Yes

Are all accounting entries and payments supported by source documentation?

Yes

Does the organization have adequate staff to comply with the terms of the grant agreement?

Yes

Are the officials of the agency bonded or covered by a liability policy?

Yes

Please upload any additional documentation here. You may upload multiple files if necessary.

NOTE:

Non-profit organizations can demonstrate its non-profit status in any one of four methods. Please attach one of the following to this application:

1. Submission of proof of 501(c)(3) status from the Internal Revenue Service.
2. Submission of a statement from the state taxing authority or state Secretary of State, or other similar official certifying that the organization is a non-profit operating within the state, and that no part of its net earnings may lawfully benefit any private

shareholder or individual.

3. Submission of a certified copy of the applicant's certificate of incorporation or similar document.
4. Submission of any item above, if that item applies to a state or national parent organization, together with a statement by the state or parent organization that the applicant is a local nonprofit affiliate.

Max size per upload 10MB.

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Special Conditions

1. ACJC grant funds shall not be used to supplant federal, state, county, or local funds that would otherwise be made available for such purposes.
2. The applicant shall operate in a manner consistent with, and in compliance with, the provisions and stipulations of the approved grant application and agreement.
3. The applicant agrees that ACJC grant funds are not to be expended on any indirect costs that may be incurred in administering the funds.
4. The applicant agrees that payment obligation is conditioned upon the availability of funds appropriated or allocated for the payment of such obligation.
5. The applicant agrees to provide accounting, auditing and monitoring procedures to safeguard grant funds and keep such records to assure proper fiscal controls, management, and the efficient disbursement of grant funds. In addition, agrees to retain all books, account reports, files, and other records for a period of five years after the completion of the expiration of the project. All such documents shall be subject to inspection and audit at reasonable times.
6. The applicant agrees to submit financial and activity reports through mechanisms or forms provided and frequency needed to the Commission.
7. The applicant has read and agrees to comply with the requirements concerning program income as set forth in the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) Financial Guide, Chapter 9 Program Income if the program generates or expends program income; has read and agrees to abide by the conditions concerning confidential funds as set forth in the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) Financial Guide Chapter 17 Confidential Funds if grant funds or Anti-racketeering funds (RICO) will be used for this project; and has read and agrees to abide by the requirements of 28 CFR Part 23 if grant funds or anti-racketeering funds (RICO) will be used to support a Criminal Intelligence System.



On behalf of the applicant agency I certify that: I have read and understand the conditions listed above; all the information presented in this application is correct; there has been appropriate coordination with affected agencies; and the applicant agency will comply with the provisions of all applicable laws and conditions if awarded funds.