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HOUSE BILL 84

55TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2022

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AN ACT

RELATING TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM; EXPANDING THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH A CRIME REDUCTION GRANT MAY BE MADE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. Section 31-28-1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2019, Chapter 192, Section 5) is amended to read:

"31-28-1. SHORT TITLE.--~~[Sections 5 through 10 of this act]~~ Chapter 31, Article 28 NMSA 1978 may be cited as the "Crime Reduction Grant Act"."

SECTION 2. Section 31-28-4 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2019, Chapter 192, Section 8) is amended to read:

"31-28-4. APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS--PURPOSES--
CONDITIONS.--

A. A member of a criminal justice coordinating council with the consent of the council may apply to a grant

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1 administration agency for a grant to accomplish any of the
2 enumerated purposes provided in Subsection B of this section.

3 B. Crime reduction grants may be made to:

4 (1) develop, expand and improve evidence-based
5 treatment and supervision alternatives to incarceration;

6 (2) reduce barriers to participation by
7 criminal offenders in preprosecution diversion or specialty
8 court programs;

9 (3) develop or improve pretrial service
10 programs; ~~and~~

11 (4) develop or improve coordination of
12 services between law enforcement agencies and treatment
13 programs;

14 (5) establish law enforcement crisis
15 intervention teams;

16 (6) coordinate access to programs for
17 transitional or reentry homes for individuals recently released
18 from incarceration;

19 (7) recruit or retain law enforcement
20 officers, prosecutors, public defenders, corrections officers
21 and mental health workers;

22 (8) develop or expand data-driven policing
23 programs;

24 (9) staff a criminal justice coordinating
25 council; and

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1 [~~(4)~~] (10) purchase equipment or provide
2 training to support any of the purposes provided in this
3 section.

4 C. Crime reduction grants shall be conditioned on
5 the criminal justice coordinating council and the recipient
6 member complying with the following:

7 (1) using not more than five percent of a
8 grant for administrative costs of the recipient;

9 (2) in consultation with the commission,
10 developing data-sharing agreements and methods of data sharing
11 among criminal justice agencies and with the commission to
12 allow system-wide analysis of criminal justice operations
13 within the judicial district and statewide;

14 (3) using or developing evidence-based best
15 practices for any programs operated with crime reduction
16 grants;

17 (4) developing performance measures in
18 consultation with the commission and the grant administration
19 agency relevant to the grantee's application;

20 (5) collecting data to evaluate the
21 effectiveness of programs operated with crime reduction grants;

22 (6) evaluating quarterly the process, outputs,
23 outcomes and other performance measures of programs funded with
24 grants for compliance with all provisions of the Crime
25 Reduction Grant Act;

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(7) providing a quarterly report to the commission for review and comparison with other programs receiving grants for similar purposes; and

(8) providing an annual report to the grant administration agency by October 1 of each year regarding program outcomes from use of the grant.

D. The commission shall assist with the implementation of data-sharing agreements to ensure compliance with crime reduction grants.

E. Each grant administration agency shall identify and require the use or development of evidence-based best practices for programs operated with crime reduction grants distributed by that grant administration agency.

F. A grant administration agency may consider any outcome reported to it by a grant recipient from a previous year in making a determination of whether to make subsequent grants or the amount of a subsequent grant."