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### Agenda

- Overview of Crime Gun Intelligence Centers (CGIC)
- Overview of BJA and CGIC Grant
- Overview of National Resource and Technical Assistance Training Center for Improving Law Enforcement Investigations
- Question and Answer Session



# CGIC 7 – Step Workflow

#### **Crime Gun Intelligence Center Workflow**





### **CGIC Program Key Roles**

- Commitment from the Chief and Command Staff.
- Comprehensive Firearms-related Crime Forensics and Tracing.
- Crime Gun Intelligence Analysis.
- CGIC Investigations.
- Law Enforcement and Prosecution Collaboration and Offender Arrest.
- State and Federal Prosecution.
- Local CGIC Feedback.



## Bureau Justice Assistance ("BJA") Mission Statement

BJA provides leadership and services in grant administration and criminal justice policy development to support local, state, and tribal justice strategies to achieve safer communities.

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### Crime Gun Intelligence Centers (CGICs)

 BJA through a competitive process provides grant funding to local law enforcement to develop a model for utilizing the ATF CGIC and their technology for collecting, processing, analyzing, investing and prosecuting illegal firearms.

- FY 2020 Opportunities
  - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 6
  - Estimated Award Average Amount: Up to \$750,000



### **Eligibility**

Eligible applicants are limited to state, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies, as well as governmental non-law enforcement agencies, federally recognized Indian tribal governments that perform law enforcement functions (as determined by the Secretary of the Interior), or tribal consortia consisting of two or more federally recognized Indian tribes (including tribal consortia operated as nonprofit organizations) acting as a fiscal agent for one or more law enforcement agencies.



# Local Law Enforcement CGIC Integration Initiative Overview

- The purpose of this initiative is to encourage local jurisdictions to work with their ATF partners to utilize intelligence, technology, and community engagement to swiftly identify firearms used unlawfully and their sources, and effectively prosecute perpetrators engaged in violent crime.
- CGIC utilizes proactive law enforcement practices and technology that provide timely NIBIN and tracing information that promotes relevant real-time investigative leads.
- The primary outcome of a CGIC is the identification of armed violent offenders for investigation and prosecution in order to obtain convictions and prevent them from committing further crime.



# Local Law Enforcement CGIC Integration Initiative Overview

- Resulted in a joint partnership with BJA and ATF formalized through letters of agreement.
- In 2016, BJA awarded grant funding to three cities in coordination with ATF to replicate the CGIC model in their jurisdictions:
  - Los Angeles, CA
  - Milwaukee, WI
  - Washington, DC



# Local Law Enforcement CGIC Integration Initiative Overview

In 2017, BJA awarded two additional sites: Phoenix, AZ and Kansas City, MO.

#### In FY 2018 and FY 2019:

- San Francisco, CA
- Tulsa, OK
- Indianapolis, IN
- Detroit, MI
- Baton Rouge, LA
- Memphis, TN
- Winston-Salem, NC

- Baltimore, MD
- Tampa, FL
- Little Rock, AR
- Saint Paul, MN
- Columbia, SC
- Houston, TX
- Wichita, KS





# National Resource and Technical Assistance Center for Improving Law Enforcement Investigations (NRTAC)

- Consistent with the evidence-based/evidence informed emphasis of the Bureau of Justice Assistance.
- The *Center* provides guided and tailored, site-specific assistance from some of the nation's most accomplished investigators, analysts, prosecutors, researchers and policy experts who are directly relevant to the investigative and prosecutorial process and the criminal justice system.



With BJA funding support, the National Police Foundation and its partners:

- Create and maintain a community of practice among the sites and provide ongoing assistance throughout the duration of the grant awards.
- Provide a 2-day, onsite assessment of the site's CGIC workflow and processes with CGIC Subject Matter Experts.
- Develop CGIC guides and checklists that will be used to support an onsite CGIC assessment and gap analysis for new replication sites.



With BJA funding support, the National Police Foundation and its partners:

- Utilize the assessments to serve as the foundation in the development of the site's strategic plan.
- Facilitate regular calls and web-based meetings with site CGIC teams on the implementation of recommendations and strategic plan.
- Provide tailored training and technical assistance based on identified needs garnered from the comprehensive CGIC assessment.



#### Roles and Responsibilities of CGICs:

- Facilitate and participate in a 2-day onsite assessment of CGIC capabilities and processes.
- Provide the assessment team with process documents (e.g. MOUs, SOPs).
- Provide the assessment team with additional follow-up documentation or clarification of processes after the onsite assessment.



Roles and Responsibilities of CGICs:

- Participate in the community of practice by having ongoing connections with the other sites.
- Develop and submit a CGIC Strategic Plan that builds on improving policies and procedures and evaluation measures for sustainability.
- Identify and collect relevant data to ensure performance measures are achieved and site researchers can provide an effective evaluation.



#### **CGIC Best Practices**

- In August 2018, the ATF's National Crime Gun Intelligence
  Governing Board released a Crime Gun Intelligence best
  practices guide for implementing a crime gun intelligence
  program as part of a comprehensive violent crime strategy. A
  copy of the guide can be found at:
   <a href="https://crimegunintelcenters.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/CGI-Manual-Best-Practices-ATF-27-AUG-18.pdf">https://crimegunintelcenters.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/CGI-Manual-Best-Practices-ATF-27-AUG-18.pdf</a>
- NRTAC will be working in conjunction with the ATF field division and with each site to ensure compliance with the ATF best practices guide.



## CGIC Webpage crimegunintelcenters.org





### **Questions?**



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#### FY 2020 Resources for Funding Opportunities

The <u>Department of Justice Program Plan</u>

(<a href="https://grantsnet.justice.gov/programplan/html/Solicitations.htm">https://grantsnet.justice.gov/programplan/html/Solicitations.htm</a>) is a tool to help applicants and grantees find funding opportunities (solicitations) that address their criminal, juvenile, and civil justice needs. The plan provides summary details on the funding opportunities that DOJ agencies are expecting to release in the current fiscal year.



#### FY 2020 Resources for Funding Opportunities

For information on funding opportunities, publications, and initiatives, visit **BJA's website** at <a href="https://www.bja.gov">https://www.bja.gov</a>

#### **OJP Grant Applicant Resource Guide**

https://ojp.gov/funding/Apply/Resources/Grant-App-Resource-Guide.htm

Office of Justice Programs – Award Data <a href="https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/OJPAwardData.htm">https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/OJPAwardData.htm</a>

#### NIJ's CrimeSolutions.gov

- Web-based clearinghouse of programs and practices that have been rated in terms of effectiveness in addressing different criminal justice issues.
- https://www.CrimeSolutions.gov



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- web chat <a href="https://webcontact.ncjrs.gov/ncjchat/chat.jsp">https://webcontact.ncjrs.gov/ncjchat/chat.jsp</a>
- toll free at 800–851–3420;
- TTY at 301–240–6310 (hearing impaired only)

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