

Cleveland
Community
Police
Commission

2023

Community Grants Program

Violence Prevention | Restorative Justice | Mediation

www.clecpc.org/community-grants

Introduction to the CPC's grants program

The CPC's community grants program fund local, Cleveland-based **violence prevention, restorative-justice, and mediation programs** that **reduce the need for police activity.**

Community-led initiatives that address trauma, violence prevention, and conflict resolution are beneficial for both the community and officers.

These programs typically empower citizens at the grassroots level to take direct action when faced with certain problems. This can reduce the overall strain on police resources and free them to focus on other matters of public safety.

“We’re excited to launch a grant program that directly supports Cleveland residents in creating meaningful impact in our community. This grant opportunity will give funds directly to Cleveland organizations to develop community-centered initiatives that can reduce and prevent violence in our community and improve relationships between our communities and our police department.”

- CPC Co-Chair Jan Ridgeway

Eligibility

Grants will be awarded to:

- Non-profit 501(c)(3) organizations based in Cleveland, Ohio.
- Grassroots organizations and/or individuals based in Cleveland working with an established fiscal agent with active 501(c)(3) tax exempt status.

policing, law enforcement, social justice, and racial justice.

Implement the Commission's decisions and, on the Commission's... with other City departments, on improvement of law-enforcement se... accountability; work to remove inequalities that may be related to m... related to law enforcement and related matters; conduct educational a... and prepare reading materials, that will lead to better community-pol...

Exercise such other and further authority and duties as this Section

Budget. The Commission's annual budget may not be less than \$1,0... under the federally established Consumer Price Index (CPI), unless th... a lower budget. Council must increase the Commission's budget by th... percentage of increases in the Division of Police's budget. In addition... may be adjusted), the Commission will receive a budget for its grantm... violence-prevention, restorative-justice, and mediation programs that i... amount budgeted for the Division of Police.

Open Meetings and Public Comment. Commission meetings will b... consistent with the Open Meetings Act. The Commission will afford re... public comment at its meetings.

This Section Controls. Where conflicts exist, this Charter Section sup... ny previously adopted provisions in the Charter, Cleveland Codified O... bargaining agreements.

Consent Decree modification. Upon the effective date of this Section... lated Charter sections amended or adopted with it, the Director of Law... istrict Court to modify the fed...

Budget

In accordance with the city of Cleveland's Charter Section 115-5, the CPC receives an annual budget for grantmaking that is at least 0.5% of the Cleveland Division of Police's total budget.

2023 Total Grantmaking Budget: \$1.08 million

Funding Levels

The CPC will award grants up to \$50,000. We will consider grant requests for larger amounts with the understanding there will be a longer and more extensive approval process.

Applicants should request the amount that meets the needs of the proposed program and that is consistent with the organization's capacity and other anticipated or received support.

The CPC does not make multi-year commitments but may fund the same organization on a year-by-year basis.

Program definitions

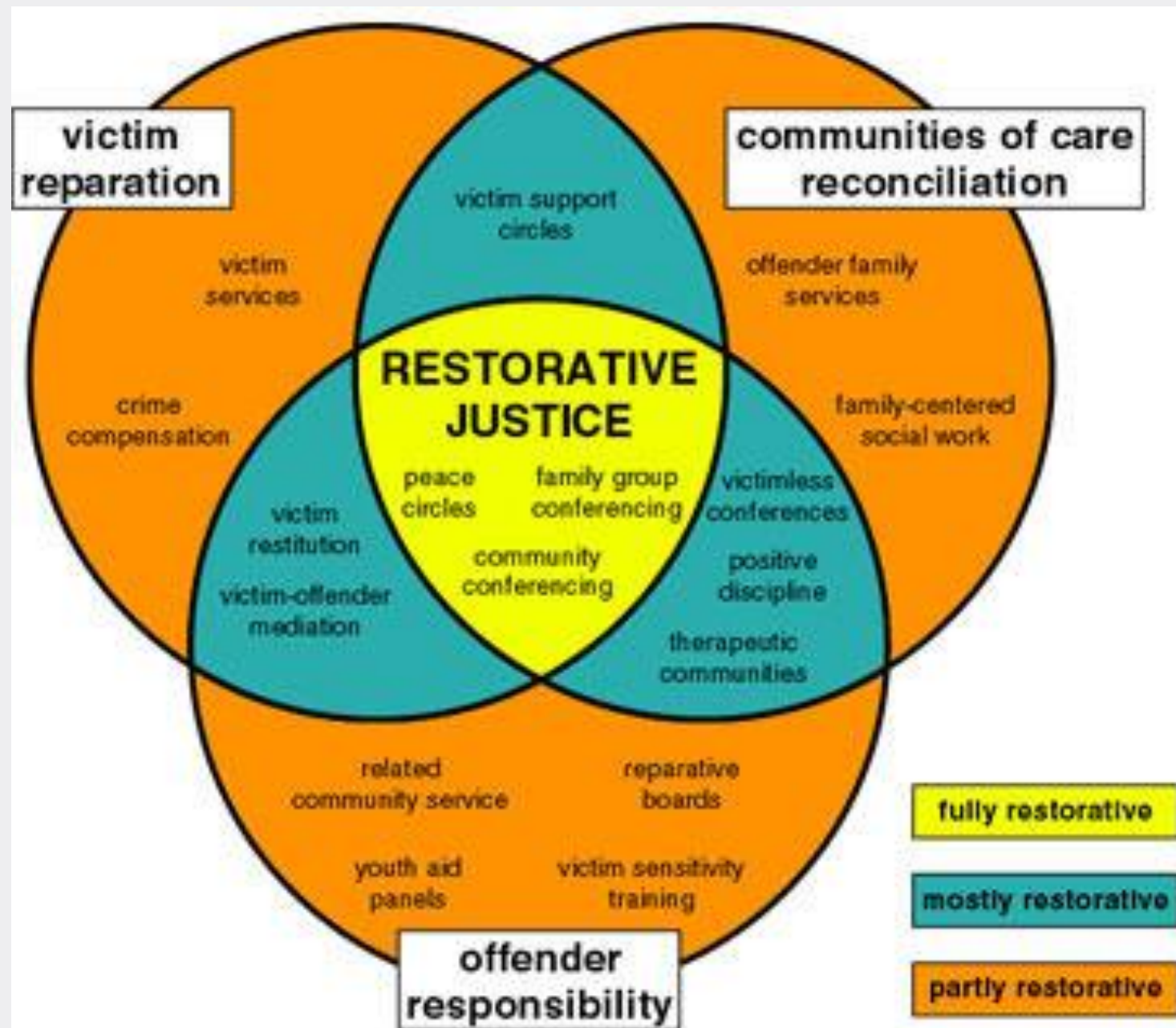
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Restorative Justice Program:

An approach that seeks healing by bringing together the community member who has been harmed and the person responsible for the harm. The goal is to give the person who committed the offense an opportunity to take responsibility for their action and to discourage them from causing further harm. For the community member who has been harmed, the goal is to give them an active role in the process and to reduce feelings of anxiety and powerlessness.



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Violence Prevention Program:

An approach that uses evidence-informed strategies to reduce violence through community-centered initiatives that address trauma, provide opportunity, and improve the physical, social, and economic conditions that drive violence.

Violence Prevention Examples

1. Hospital-based violence interruption programs (HVIPs) are programs that reach victims at their most vulnerable. HVIPs are located in trauma centers and emergency rooms to reach victims the moment they reach the hospital. Case managers engage survivors, while also working to prevent retaliation.

2. Group Violence Intervention involves collaboration between social service providers, community members, and law enforcement. These programs are intended to increase trust between law enforcement and the communities they police.

3. Violence Interrupters or Street Outreach programs are led by interventionists that live in the community. The programs focus on building relationships, supporting survivors of violence, and implementing restorative justice solutions to gun violence. These programs are immediate crisis responses and also long term support.

Violence Prevention Examples

4. Cure Violence programs aim to change the norms about community violence and create pathways for young people involved in gun violence. This model trains community members to detect and interrupt violence, identify and treat individuals at the highest risk of violence, and mobilize the community to change norms.

5. Community-driven crime prevention through environmental design are programs where communities reduce crime and violence by using architecture and urban planning to create or restore public spaces where the community can gather and feel a sense of safety. Restoration of vacant lots and investing in a community's physical environment has been proven to reduce crime and gun violence. When communities look safe, people

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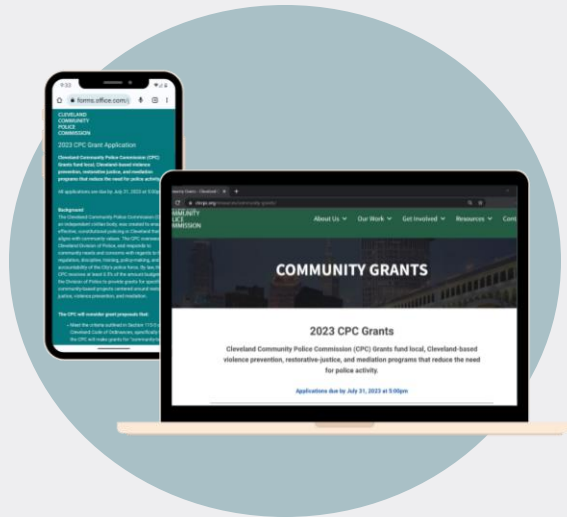
Mediation Program:

A constructive, participant-led process for resolving conflicts between individuals, groups and organizations that offer participants an opportunity to discuss their own and their community's unique concerns and needs. Mediators provide a safe and supportive environment for participants to hold difficult conversations and ensure participants retain decision-making authority over the conflict resolution process and outcome.

How to apply - Online -

Visit our website at, clecpc.org/community-grants, to complete the online application.

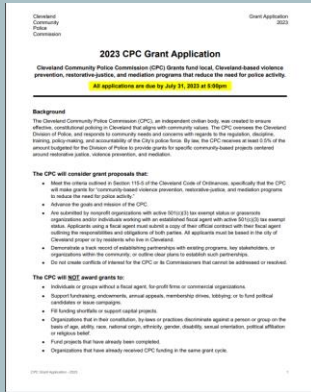
- **Application Link:** <https://bit.ly/cpc-grant-2023>
- Email requested support documents as attachments to: cpcgrants@clevelandohio.gov



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How to apply - Paper Application -



Paper Application
.pdf and printed apps available

- Download the PDF from our website
- Printed applications are available at the CPC office for pickup. Office hours: Mon. - Fri. - 8:00am – 4:30pm.
- Request to be mailed a paper application by calling the CPC office: 216-505-5920

Mail or hand deliver completed paper applications to the CPC office: 3631 Perkins Avenue, 4th Floor, Cleveland, OH 44114

Grant Report

An interim report will be due six months after funds are disbursed; a final report is required within 30 days of project completion or 12 months after funds are disbursed.

Both reports should include measured impact of the work completed as part of the funded project

Timeline and Deadlines

Applications are due by Monday, July 31st, 2023 at 5:00pm.

Proposals will be reviewed two to three weeks after you submit your proposal. Decisions will be made by the CPC by August 31, 2023. Funds will typically be available starting in October.

Contact Us

If you have any questions, we are available to help guide you through the application process.

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Questions?