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CCI Members to Make Final Legislative Priority Decisions on Friday!



By John (Chip) Taylor

We hope you have made your plans to engage with CCI this Friday as we have a full agenda and lots of information to share and decisions to be made! We will start off the day with a small group meeting on the recent, dramatic cost increases for counties to utilize the state CUBS/CATS data systems. More information on this discussion is included in the article below.

The Legislative Committee meeting begins at 10:00 and we must have 31 counties – one-half of CCI's members – represented at the beginning of the meeting to transact business. Even if you cannot stay for the whole meeting, your participation at the beginning will be greatly appreciated! There are still about 10 county members who have not designated a Legislative Committee member. If your county is one of those, you may get a call from Jeanne DeHaven in the next couple of days to make that designation. The Legislative Committee's agenda, including the draft 2018 Policy Statement, is [here](#). The Legislative Committee meeting will be immediately followed by a general membership meeting to ratify the Legislative Committee's action. These are the final steps in approving the CCI 2018 legislative agenda and policy statement.

At 2:00 or as soon as the Membership Meeting is concluded, the Justice and Public Safety steering committee will begin its review of interim committee bills on courthouse funding and jail crowding. More information on this meeting is included below, as well.

If you have questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to let us know. We look forward to seeing everyone at the end of the week!

John (Chip) Taylor is CCI's Executive Director.

IMPORTANT NEWS FOR COUNTIES:

Legislators to Set Priorities on Courthouse, Jail Funding Options

The CCI-initiated Interim Committee on County Courthouse and County Jail Funding and Overcrowding Solutions will meet for the last time on **October 23, 2017**. At this meeting, the legislators will vote on which five of the following 11 bills and one resolution they will sponsor in the 2018 Legislative Session:

- 1) Create an entity with \$20 million from marijuana tax fund (or another source) to provide low-interest loans to counties to assist with the operation of courthouses and jails. Could include a new fund to allow the state to match 50 percent of a county's debt service for new capital construction.
- 2) Bail reform and pre-trial services evaluations - Disallow cash bonds for parole violations, petty offenses, misdemeanors, non-violent offenses. Require hearings within two days or release with no bond. Require pre-trial risk assessments in all criminal cases.
- 3) Create a lease/buy-back program for county courts to allow them to renovate or build new facilities funded with "50 percent state moneys."
- 4) Double the current reimbursement rate that DOC pays counties. The current long bill rate for 2017 is \$54.39. *(continued on next page)*

- 5) Create a state “telejustice” service to facilitate the conduct of hearings with remote participants through internet communications.
- 6) Set up a call system in the Office of the State Court Administrator to use phone, e-mail, and text to remind people to show up for court.
- 7) Reduce the imposition of parole in criminal sentencing
- 8) Incentivize the use of criminal justice coordinating councils by county courts. Mirror CCJJ statutes and create a fund in CDPS.
- 9) Require the state to provide emergency medical insurance coverage to county jails to cover inmate medical costs.
- 10) Send a resolution to the federal government regarding Medicaid coverage for inmates, to request that the Social Security Act be amended to allow coverage for jail prisoners who are not yet convicted.
- 11) Double the \$5 surcharge for the court security cash fund and earmark the new funds for security purposes.
- 12) Increase number of parole review officers, require televised hearings to be used where possible, and appropriate funds.

Legislators have asked for CCI to weigh in on these bill drafts. They will be reviewed at a special Justice & Public Safety steering committee meeting after the Legislative Committee/Business Meeting on **Friday (October 13)**. If you want to view the bill drafts in full, send an email to CCI’s [Alli Daley](#), who is also available to answer questions or receive feedback from those of you who may be unable to attend the Friday meeting.

CDHS Invites County Feedback on Mental Health Holds Rulemaking

The Colorado Department of Human Services (CDHS) has drafted rules for the implementation of SB17-207, which outlaws the use of jail for mental health holds and creates a pilot program for the transportation of these individuals. CDHS is accepting feedback on the proposed rules until 5 pm on **October 31, 2017**. The proposed rules can be found [here](#) and the feedback form is linked [here](#).

Commissioners Invited to Discuss CUBS/CATS Changes on Friday

This **Friday (October 13)**, from 8:30 am to 9:30am in the 6th floor conference room at CCI, commissioners and other county leaders are invited to an important meeting hosted by the Colorado Department of Human Services (CDHS) and the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment (CDLE) representatives to discuss the Colorado Unemployment Benefits System (CUBS) and the Colorado Automated Tax System (CATS) systems. The CUBS/CATS system is used by county departments of human services and workforce centers to help determine eligibility for public assistance. The concern counties have expressed is the fact that CDHS/CDLE are changing what they charge counties to access these databases, which is likely to have a financial impact on counties. An advisory group consisting of county human services representatives has been meeting with members of both departments about this. The meeting is held just before the 10 am start of the CCI Legislative Committee meeting and is accessible by phone: 1.857.216.6700, passcode 823817.

Colorado Climate Plan Open for Public Comment Until November 3

As part of Governor Hickenlooper’s executive order “Supporting Colorado’s Clean Energy Transition,” the Department of Natural Resources, in collaboration with other state agencies, has updated the Colorado Climate Plan. The plan is available by clicking [here](#) and is open for public comments between now and 5 pm on **November 3, 2017**. Comments should be submitted, in writing, to Taryn.Finnessey@state.co.us. In addition, there will be a stakeholder engagement meeting on **October 18, 2017** at Colorado Parks and Wildlife in the Hunter Education Building located at 6060 Broadway in Denver. State agency staff will be on hand to discuss the plan and answer questions. RSVP to Ben.Wade@state.co.us by 5 pm on **October 16, 2017**.

Recycling Resources Economic Opportunity Program Offers Mini-Grants

The Recycling Resources Economic Opportunity (RREO) Grant Program exists to fund projects that lead to new opportunities to divert waste from landfills and create jobs. As funding opportunities for infrastructure development through the RREO Grant Program have grown more complex over time, a need arose to offer “mini-grants” through a simplified application process for small-scale projects. Proposals from public and government agencies will be accepted between now and **October 31, 2017** from applicants who have a need for equipment, supplies, and/or informational and outreach materials that will be used to support a new or existing recycling, organics, reuse, or waste reduction program. A total of \$400,000 is available for this funding opportunity. The maximum amount of funds an applicant can request is \$25,000. The minimum amount that can be requested is \$3,000. It is anticipated that awardees will have approval to make purchases per their project budget on **January 2, 2018**. Grantees must spend their full grant award by **June 30, 2018**. For a grant application, click [here](#).

Health Disparities Grants Aimed at Reducing Chronic Disease in Colorado



The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) Office of Health Equity (OHE) has announced the release of the Health Disparities Grant Program (HDGP) for fiscal year 2019-2021 to fund initiatives that reduce chronic disease in Colorado through prevention, early detection, and treatment of cancer and cardiovascular and pulmonary diseases to under-represented populations. In its Request for Application (RFA), HDGP is seeking applications from agencies with existing multisector partnerships to work on systems and policy changes focused on upstream determinants of health. The deadline for application submission is **November 29, 2017** by 5 pm (MST). For details of the funding opportunity and application materials, click [here](#).

Underfunded Courthouse Facility Grant Applications Are Due Friday

The [application](#) for Underfunded Courthouse Facility Grants is posted and the list of eligible counties for these grants is attached to *eCounty Lines*. Grants can be used for master planning services, matching or leveraging additional grant funds, or to address emergency needs due to the imminent closure of a courthouse. Applications are due **Friday (October 13)** and grants will be awarded in December. The [application](#) process for Courthouse Security Grants opened earlier this month and applications are due **October 28, 2017**. These grants are available to all counties and can be used to provide security staffing and equipment. For questions, contact Marty Galvin, Office of the State Court Administrator, at 720.625.5853 or marty.galvin@judicial.state.co.us.

Rocky Mountain PBS Will Air Program on Veterans in Colorado October 19

In August, CCI was contacted by Rocky Mountain PBS for information on how much counties pay their veteran services officers. CCI does not have this information and has since learned that Rocky Mountain PBS will be emailing county veteran service officers directly for this information. Rocky Mountain PBS' program on veteran services will focus on the level of federal, state and county funding that is dedicated to helping Colorado's veterans. The program will look specifically at 1) the needs of aging Vietnam vets and their access to care in rural areas; 2) the use of medical marijuana as a treatment for post-traumatic stress disorder; and 3) the needs of female veterans and how their health needs will be met. The program is titled “Insight with John Ferrugia: Serving Those Who Served” and will air on **Thursday, October 19, 2017** at 7 pm on RMPBS.

Marijuana Impact, Enforcement Grant Applications Close October 20

The Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) has funds available through the Marijuana Impact Grant Program and the Gray & Black Market Marijuana Enforcement Grant Program. Information on the programs is attached to *eCounty Lines*. The application is electronic only and the deadline for submission is **October 20, 2017**. If you have questions, contact Tamra Norton, financial assistance manager at DOLA, at 303.864.7734 or tamra.norton@state.co.us.

CDPHE Invites County Feedback on Rulemaking Processes by October 31

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) invites elected officials and representatives of local governments to continue providing meaningful and timely input into the development of CDPHE rules. CDPHE has a long history of reaching out to local government during the stakeholder and rulemaking processes and would like to refresh its contact lists in order to continue the practice. CDPHE seeks input on the Board of Health, the Water Quality Control Commission, the Solid and Hazardous Waste Commission, the Air Quality Control Commission, and the Water and Wastewater Facility Operators Certification Board. Anyone interested in being notified about upcoming rulemaking efforts by CDPHE and these boards and commissions should click [here](#) and submit the form by **October 31, 2017**. For questions, email cdphe_rulemaking@state.co.us.

CCI MEETINGS:

November 1 Is Early-Bird Discount Deadline for Winter Conference

The deadline to register at the early-bird discount for the CCI Foundation Winter Conference (**November 27-29, 2017** at the Hotel Elegante in Colorado Springs, El Paso County) is fast approaching. The registration fee for county leaders is \$350 between now and **November 1**... after that date, it increases to \$450. Note as well that **November 1** is the deadline for rooms at the Hotel Elegante at the special conference rate of just \$94 per night, single or double occupancy. The conference offers a wealth of timely educational programs, rich peer-to-peer networking, and a wealth of products-and-services information from over 40 sponsors, many of whom will have table-top displays in the registration area. To register, go to the CCI web site at www.ccionline.org.

'Let's Make a Deal' Conference Workshop Focused on URA Successes



Two knowledgeable county commissioners and four bonafide experts promise to deliver powerful and practical insights into successful urban renewal authority projects when the CCI Foundation Winter Conference presents a “Let’s Make a Deal” workshop on **Wednesday morning, November 29, 2017** at the Hotel Elegante in Colorado Springs, El Paso County. Commissioners Don Suppes of Delta and Chaz Tedesco of Adams highlight the speaker line-up that includes (*pictured left to right above*) Samuel R. Sharp, Managing Director, D.A. Davidson & Co.; Brad Hughes, MAI, Montrose County Assessor; Tyler Carlson, Managing Principal, Evergreen; and Tracy Huggins, Executive Director, Denver URA. Urban renewal provides a set of tools available to counties to combat slum and blight conditions. The workshop will be moderated by Pueblo County Commissioner Terry Hart.

CHSDA Accepting Nominations for Human Services Director of the Year

The Colorado Human Services Directors Association (CHSDA) will present its inaugural Director of the Year Award at the CCI Foundation Winter Conference at the **Tuesday evening, November 28** dinner. CHSDA seeks to recognize a director who most clearly demonstrates leadership and the ability to serve and advance the human services system at a state or regional level or on behalf of CHSDA. Attached to *eCounty Lines* is an Information Sheet and Nomination Form (incorporated into one document). Nomination packets must be received by **November 1** and sent to Kim Hills at khills@bouldercounty.org. Contact Kim if you need further information.

INVOLVEMENT/EDUCATION/NETWORKING:

October 19: SAPGA's 'Conversations on Aging' Tour Comes to Pueblo

As part of its continuing effort to prepare the state for the nearly 68 percent increase of people more than 65 years old by 2030, Colorado's Strategic Action Planning Group on Aging (SAPGA) is presenting a series of meetings across the state to gather input from local residents responding to, and building on, SAPGA's action plan that was released last November. The meetings, entitled "Conversations on Aging," are open to the public, with a special invitation extended to older adults, caregivers, service providers, elected officials and advocates who work with seniors. Upcoming meetings include Pueblo (October 19) and Fort Morgan (October 25). To attend the Pueblo event, click [here](#). For Fort Morgan, click [here](#). The Planning Group seeks opinions, suggestions and guidance on issues facing our aging public that it can use to support local initiatives that improve the lives of seniors in the area. Various members of the Planning Group (including Pitkin County Commissioner Steve Child) make up of a cross-discipline collection of experts designed to address the broad range of issues that are presented around the state's fast-growing aging population, will be attending the meetings. For more information, email [Gene Rose](mailto:Gene.Rose@colorado.gov), or call him at 303.221.4345.

October 24: Webinar on Aquatic Nuisance Species Threats, Solutions

The Colorado Water Congress and Colorado Foundation for Water Education are partnering to host a free webinar on the threat and solutions related to aquatic nuisance species on October 24 from Noon to 1 pm MT. Participants will hear about the threats zebra and quagga mussels pose and how Colorado is working to educate the public and policy-makers to maintain healthy waterways and infrastructure. To register, click [here](#).

October 26: Webinar Helps Counties Reduce Risks of Climate Change



DOLA and CCI are co-sponsors of a webinar entitled "Climate Planning in Colorado" set for **October 26, 2017** from Noon to 1 pm. Details and a link to the session will be provided soon. The webinar will focus on how counties and communities can reduce their risk and vulnerability to the impacts of climate change through effective climate planning. The session will highlight tips and strategies for developing an integrated local climate plan, including how to engage with planners and elected officials, assessing vulnerability and risk, key data and resources to use, and establishing baseline data and metrics. Presenters include Logan Sand, Recovery and Resilience Planner (DOLA); Taryn Finessey (CWCB), Senior Climate Change Specialist; Katy Bigner, Environmental Planner; and Lindsay Ex, Climate Program Manager, of Fort Collins. For more information, contact Logan Sand at 303.864.7705 or logan.sand@state.co.us.

October 26-27: Colorado Communication and Broadband Conference

The Colorado Communications and Utility Alliance will be conducting their annual conference on **October 26-27, 2017** in Denver. Topics will include social media policies, public safety communications, communication plans, updates on local broadband policy, rights-of-way authority and the future of telecommunications and why local governments should care. For more information, including registration and agenda, click [here](#).

November 1-3: National Cybersecurity Symposium in Colorado Springs

The National Cybersecurity Center in Colorado Springs will present a three-day symposium on cyber safety at the Broadmoor Hotel on **November 1-3, 2017**. Topics include: clear and present cyber dangers, cyber innovations, how governments can protect themselves, state vs. federal defense strategies, and ways to manage risk. Local government scholarships are available. For a list of all speakers and topics and for registration information please go to www.cybersymposium.org.

COUNTY NEWS:

Adams County Celebrates Opening of Pete Mirelez Human Services Center



Adams County leaders and proud citizens came together last week to celebrate the ahead-of-schedule, under-budget opening of the new Pete Mirelez Human Services Center. On hand were Commissioners Mary Hodge, Erik Hansen, Eva Henry, Mary Hodge, Steve O'Dorisio, and Chaz Tedesco, and County Manager Ray Gonzales. Pete Mirelez served as Adams County's first Director of the War on Poverty Program and was named Regional Director of the California Migrant Council in 1968. In 1972, Mirelez was named the National Director of the Office of Economic Opportunity Migrant Division in Washington D.C. before becoming an Adams County Commissioner. During his time as an Adams County Commissioner, an edition of the *Brighton Sentinel* named him as one of the most influential people in Adams County. Given his influential stature, the current Adams County Board of County Commissioners determined that the facility would be named after Mirelez, to carry on his legacy by serving the community to the highest standards.

NACo NEWS:

Apply Now for the NACo Creative Counties Placemaking Challenge



The National Association of Counties – in partnership with Americans for the Arts – has launched the Creative Counties Placemaking Challenge to train local leaders from rural and mid-sized counties on how to advance arts-based economic and community development to address local challenges. Counties with populations of less than 250,000 are encouraged to apply today at www.naco.org/creativecounties. Selected teams will have the opportunity to attend a 2 ½ day training in Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa and will receive technical assistance and mentoring. Applications are due **Friday (October 13)**.

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COLORADO JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT UNDERFUNDED COURTHOUSE FACILITY COMMISSION	APPLICATIONS DUE:	
FISCAL YEAR 2018 GRANT APPLICATION	OCTOBER 13, 2017	

UNDERFUNDED COURTHOUSE FACILITY FUND FISCAL YEAR 2018 GRANT CYCLE ELIGIBLE COUNTIES	
Adams	Las Animas*
Alamosa	Lincoln*
Archuleta*	Logan
Baca*	Mesa
Bent*	Mineral
Chaffee	Moffat
Cheyenne	Montezuma
Conejos*	Montrose
Costilla*	Otero
Crowley*	Ouray
Custer*	Phillips*
Delta	Prowers*
Dolores*	Pueblo
Fremont	Rio Blanco
Gilpin	Rio Grande*
Hinsdale	Saguache*
Huerfano*	San Juan*
Jackson	Sedgwick*
Kiowa*	Washington
Kit Carson*	Yuma*
Lake	
*Indicates high priority county	



MARIJUANA IMPACT GRANT PROGRAM NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY/APPLICATION GUIDELINES

Program Purpose

To award grants to eligible local governments who do not allow the sale of retail marijuana within their jurisdiction, but who are experiencing the impacts of retail marijuana from surrounding communities or any other illegal activity related to marijuana. The grant program has two key components:

1. To identify documented impacts to eligible local governments and determine grant dollars needed to reimburse for those impacts; and
2. To prioritize grant awards to applicants who intend to use the grant funds for one or more of the following purposes:
 - To pay for additional law enforcement activities related to retail marijuana, including costs associated with increased arrests, increased traffic violations, and prevention of out-of-state diversions and trafficking of marijuana;
 - To fund youth services, especially those that prevent the use of;
 - To mitigate other impacts that the cultivation, testing, sale, consumption, or regulation of retail marijuana or any other illegal activity related to marijuana has on services provided by an eligible local government.

Total Funding Available

\$1,000,000 annually

Application Timeline

- August 18, 2017: Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) distributed and application posted through on-line portal
- October 20, 2017: Applications due
- December 29, 2017: Awards letters sent

Contacts

Marijuana Impact Grant Program:
<https://www.colorado.gov/dola/marijuana-grant-programs>

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Grant Application Summary

The August 2017 grant application process is available electronically. All applications must be submitted using the online system to be considered for an award. Please allow yourself plenty of time to become familiar with the system. Eligible local governments will need to create an account, log into the system, and complete each section of the application for electronic submittal. You will be able to save and close a completed page of your online application and return to your application to complete at a later time.

Online application details to help complete the online application

- This grant application is available to eligible Colorado counties and municipalities only as defined in C.R.S. 24-32-117(1)(c).
- **Grants will be made to eligible local governments for documented marijuana impacts:** Documented expenses, costs, and other impacts incurred as a result of legal activity related to the sale, transfer, cultivation, or processing of retail marijuana or any illegal activity related to marijuana. Activities may include but are not limited to:
 - Increased arrests and traffic violations
 - Illegal grow investigations
 - Traffic interdictions
 - Staff time
- **Funding priorities:** In awarding grants, the division shall give priority to an eligible local government that intends to use the money for one or more of the following purposes:
 - To pay for additional law enforcement activities related to retail marijuana, including costs associated with increased arrests, increased traffic violations, and prevention of out-of-state diversions and trafficking of marijuana;
 - To fund youth services, especially those that prevent the use of marijuana; and
 - To mitigate other impacts that the cultivation, testing, sale, consumption, or regulation of retail marijuana has on services provided by an eligible local government.
- Applications must include data supporting the impacts covering **January 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017 only**. Examples of documentation may include:
 - List of all marijuana related: calls, cases, traffic stops, youth services, jail days, etc.
 - Cost per all marijuana related: calls, cases, traffic stops, youth services, jail days, etc.
 - Actual costs must show applicant's full operations and how that number was calculated in relationship to the cost for marijuana related activity.
 - Method used to determine: calls, cases, traffic stops, youth services, jail days, etc. are marijuana related and copies of any forms utilized to identify marijuana relationship.
- To ensure you develop a competitive application please read:
 - C.R.S. 24-32-117; and
 - Application Rating Criteria

A. APPLICANT/CONTACT INFORMATION

1. Applicant name (All applicants must be "eligible local governments" as defined on the program website and in C.R.S. 24-32-117(1)(c)).
2. Chief Elected Official.
3. Designated contact person for the application.

B. DOCUMENTED IMPACTS/FINANCIAL DETAIL

1. Local priority, if more than 1 application is being submitted.
2. Amount of grant funds being requested for documented impacts.
3. Detailed description of the documented impacts between January 1, 2016 and July 30, 2017.
4. Detailed Marijuana Impact Budget Request.
5. Demonstration of financial need.
6. Severity or urgency.
7. Local effort.

C. PROGRAM PURPOSE

1. Provide a detailed description of how local government intends to use the money for one or more of the program purposes.
2. Outline how the intended purpose will be determined successful.

D. BOARD APPROVAL/TABOR

1. Official board action: Every application must provide the date the city/town/county board, council or trustees authorized the submittal of the grant application.
2. TABOR: The funds for the Marijuana Impact Grant program are state funds and may be subject to TABOR. Please consult with legal counsel regarding TABOR limits for the local government applicant(s) **before** submitting an application.



Marijuana Impact Grant Program
 Application Rating Criteria

Points per Criteria	Criteria Description (For Rating Consideration)
Relationship to Retail Marijuana and Other Illegal Marijuana Impacts (0-15)	<p><u>Aligns with Application Question B.3</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application clearly describes the relationship between the request and retail marijuana and other illegal marijuana activity. • Documentation of costs and expense of the impact is independently verifiable. Data and calculations used clearly shows costs and expenses due to marijuana impacts.
Demonstration of Financial Need (0-10)	<p><u>Aligns with Application Question B.5</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A specific financial hardship was created due to this documented marijuana impact. • The consequences of no funding have been identified and are significant. • If partial or no funding is provided, plans are in place to cover costs.
Severity or Urgency (0-10)	<p><u>Aligns with Application Question B.6</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The caseload related to marijuana activity has increased significantly from the previous calendar year. • The request is directly related to an urgent health or safety concern. • The request will mitigate adverse direct impacts associated with marijuana.
Local Effort (0-5)	<p><u>Aligns with Application Question B.7</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In an effort to reduce costs, the applicant explored collaboration, cost or equipment sharing arrangements with other organizations. • Moving forward, the applicant has attempted to reduce costs where appropriate through community/local efforts.
Program Purpose (0-10)	<p><u>Aligns with Application Question C. 1 & 2.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The local government intends to use the funds for one or more of the program purposes. • The intended purpose has a measurable outcome to be determined successful.
Maximum 50 Points	



GRAY & BLACK MARKET MARIJUANA ENFORCEMENT GRANT PROGRAM NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY/APPLICATION GUIDELINES

Program Purpose

To provide financial assistance through reimbursements to local law enforcement and district attorneys for actual expenses related to investigation and prosecution of unlicensed marijuana cultivation or distribution operations.

The grant program has four (4) funding priorities:

- 1.) Rural areas;
- 2.) Large scale operations;
- 3.) Organized crime operations; or
- 4.) Operations that divert marijuana outside of Colorado.

Total Funding Available

\$6 million annually (*including program operations*)

Application Timeline

- August 18, 2017: Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) distributed and application posted through on-line portal
- October 20, 2017: Applications due
- December 29, 2017: Awards letters sent

Contact

Gray & Black Market Marijuana Enforcement Grant Program:
<https://www.colorado.gov/dola/marijuana-grant-programs>

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Grant Application Summary

The 2017 grant application process is available electronically. All applications must be submitted using the online system to be considered for an award. Please allow yourself plenty of time to become familiar with the new system. Local governments will need to create an account, log into the system, and complete each section of the application for electronic submittal. You will be able to save and close a completed page of your online application and return to your application to complete at a later time.

Online application details to help complete the online application:

- Applications should include expenses for investigations and prosecutions covering **January 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017 only.**
- Do not provide confidential information in the application or supporting documents. Enough detail should be made available to confirm expenses, but confidential information should be omitted or redacted as appropriate.
- **Funding priorities:** To provide financial assistance through reimbursements to local law enforcement and district attorneys for actual expenses related to investigation and prosecution of unlicensed marijuana cultivation or distribution operations as it relates to:
 1. Rural areas
 2. Large scale operations
 3. Organized crime operations or
 4. Operations that divert marijuana outside of Colorado.
- Rural areas are defined in C.R.S. 24-32-119(5) as:
 - a) a county with a population of less than 200,000 people, according to the most recently available population statistics of the United States Bureau of the Census; or
 - b) a municipality with a population of less than 30,000 people according to the most recently available population statistics of the United States Bureau of the Census, that is located 10 miles or more from a municipality with a population of more than 50,000 people.
- **DOLA will confirm applicants that meet the “rural area” definition at the time of submittal.**
- Applications should include expenses for investigations and prosecutions related to marijuana activities only, as defined in C.R.S. 24-32-119. Marijuana related activities are the only expenses eligible for reimbursement.
- To ensure you develop a competitive application please read:
 - C.R.S. 24-32-119 or HB 17-1221; and
 - Application Rating Criteria

A. Applicant/Contact Information

1. Applicant name (All applicants must be county or municipal local governments for law enforcement and district attorney activities).
2. Chief Elected Official.
3. Designated contact person for the application

B. Investigation and Prosecution Description/Financial Detail

1. Amount of funds being requested for reimbursement.
2. Program priority as defined in C.R.S. 24-32-119(1)(c).
3. Description of investigation and prosecution activities.
4. Investigation and prosecution expenses.
5. Demonstration of financial need.
6. Severity or urgency.
7. Local effort.

C. Board Approval/Tabor

1. Official board action: Every application must provide the date the city/town/county board, council or trustees authorized the submittal of the grant application.
2. TABOR: The funds for the Gray & Black Market Enforcement Grant program are state funds and may be subject to TABOR. Local jurisdictions are responsible for their own TABOR compliance. Please consult with legal counsel regarding TABOR limits for the local government applicant(s) before submitting an application.



Gray & Black Market Marijuana Enforcement Grant Program
 Application Rating Criteria

Program Priorities	<p>The requesting agency incurred costs for one or more of the following program priorities that addressed unlicensed marijuana cultivation or distribution operations conducted in violation of state law. Per statute, funds will be directed to applicants meeting priority #1 first. Remaining funds will be directed to applicants meeting priority #2, then priority #3, and then priority #4.</p> <p><u>Aligns with Application Question B.2:</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1. Law Enforcement agencies and District Attorneys in rural areas (applicant must be a rural area* as define by C.R.S. 24-32-119);</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2. Law Enforcement agencies and District Attorneys investigated and prosecuted large-scale operations (exceeding 30 plants);</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3. Law Enforcement agencies and District Attorneys investigated and prosecuted organized crime; or</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4. Law Enforcement agencies and District Attorneys investigated and prosecuted operations that diverted marijuana outside of Colorado.</p> <p><i>* Rural areas are defined in C.R.S. 24-32-119 as:</i> <i>(a) a county with a population of less than 200,000 people, according to the most recently available population statistics of the United States Bureau of the Census; or</i> <i>(b) a municipality with a population of less than 30,000 people according to the most recently available population statistics of the United States Bureau of the Census, that is located 10 miles or more from a municipality with a population of more than 50,000 people.</i></p> <p>DOLA will confirm applicants meet the "rural area" definition at the time of submittal.</p>
<p>Points per Criteria Criteria Description (For Rating Consideration)</p>	
Supporting Documentation (0-20)	<p><u>Aligns with Application Question B.4</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application shows clear evidence of expenses incurred during investigation and prosecution of unlicensed marijuana cultivation or distribution operations conducted in violation of state law. • Documentation of actual expenses includes all appropriate salaries, overtime, equipment purchased, receipts, database or other independently verifiable systems used to track expenses in the investigation and prosecution.
Demonstration of Financial Need (0-15)	<p><u>Aligns with Application Question B.5</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A specific financial hardship was created as a result of the investigation or prosecution. • The consequences of no funding have been identified and are significant. • If partial or no funding is provided, plans are in place to cover costs.
Severity or Urgency (0-10)	<p><u>Aligns with Application Question B.6</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The number of cases and/or the average cost per case related to unlicensed marijuana cultivation or distribution, in comparison to all case totals, identifies a clear severity or urgency to the local law enforcement agency and district attorney.
Local Effort (0-5)	<p><u>Aligns with Application Question B.7</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In an effort to reduce costs, the applicant explored collaboration, cost or equipment sharing arrangements with other organizations during the investigation and prosecution. • Moving forward, the applicant has attempted to reduce costs where appropriate, to make the investigation and prosecution affordable and sustainable.
<p>Maximum 50 Points</p>	



CHSDA is dedicated to a human services system that promotes the strength, well-being, and self-sufficiency of individuals, families, and communities.

To accomplish this mission, the Association will:

- **Support and make recommendations to** Boards of County Commissioners, Council Members, and Mayors in the governance, policy, development, and desired outcomes pertaining to local human services delivery
- **Advocate** for policies through CCI that will further the mission of the organization and produce integrated service delivery
- **Educate** state and federal policy-makers and the public regarding the impact of human services policies on individuals, communities, and county social services operations
- **Collaborate** with governmental and community-based organizations to ensure efficient and effective service delivery.
- **Facilitate** effective communication between and among county social service agencies, and state and federal administrative agencies, including the exchange of knowledge and best and promising practices.

CHSDA Director of the Year Award

With this award, CHSDA seeks to recognize a director who most clearly demonstrates leadership and the ability to serve and advance the human services system at a state or regional level or on behalf of CHSDA. CHSDA places a high value on recognizing and honoring those directors who have made significant and memorable contributions to their region and/or the state for the betterment of service to the people of Colorado.

Eligibility

- **The nominee must be a current member of CHSDA.**
- **The immediate past President, current President, and past recipients are not eligible.**
- **The nominee must have been in their director position for at least 1 year.**

Nominators

Nominations can come from a variety of sources, including:

- **Peer directors**
- **Self-nomination**
- **Commissioners**

Nomination Packet

The Nomination Packet must include the Nomination Form, and may include:

- Letters of support.
- News articles/videos.
- Other supporting documents that help describe the accomplishments/contributions.

Nomination Deadline

Nomination packets must be received by November 1, and sent to Kim Hills at khills@bouldercounty.org.

The CHSDA Director of the Year Award will be presented at the CCI Awards Ceremony at the CCI Winter Conference.

Nomination and Selection Criteria

Selection for the CHSDA Director of the Year Award will be based on the following criterion:

- How do the contributions/accomplishments of this director significantly advance the quality of service to the people of Colorado broadly, their region, or CHSDA?
- How do the contributions of this director align with the mission and strategies of CHSDA?



CHSDA Director of the Year Award

Nomination Form

Please answer the following prompt in support of your nomination of a County Director/CHSDA member for the CHSDA Director of the Year Award. The award will be presented at the CCI/CHSDA Winter Conference at the Dinner for the Delegates on Tuesday, November 28. Please submit the form to Kim Hills (khills@bouldercounty.org) by November 1.

- **Please describe how your nominee has contributed to the human services system in Colorado (at a statewide or regional level) or the Colorado Human Services Directors Association and why you feel your nominee should receive the Director of the Year Award.**