

LANCASTER COUNTY GRANT FORM

Submitted by: Becky Steiner      Today's date: 3/13/2020

1. Funding source: Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP)
2. Grant due date: May 26, 2020
3. Amount requested: \$500,000
4. Other sources of funding anticipated:

Funding Source	In-kind	Cash	Committed	Pending
a. None				
b.				
c.				
d.				
e.				

5. Project Contact: Becky Steiner  
Phone Number: 402-441-8495
6. Number of years grant will run if funded: 3 years
7. This grant is:      **New** or      Continuing
8. General purpose for grant: (2-3 sentences)  
Operation Tipping Point is a program developed to combat gang activity through gang prevention and awareness strategies. Operation Tipping Point focuses on providing youth, an alternative to gang activity through mentorship, positive role models, and positive and productive activities.  
Requesting: \$500,000  
Match: Not required
9. Attach a one page summary of grant.
10. Attach a one page budget of grant.

## Budget

Gang Specialist	\$330,000
Evaluation	\$60,000
LPD equipment	\$40,000
Incentives	\$7,500
Training	\$40,000
Indirect	\$22,500
Total	\$500,000

This grant will help fund the LPD Gang Unit, which includes the Gang Prevention Specialist that operates Operation Tipping Point. These grant funds will assist the LPD Gang Unit in efforts over the next three years to assist in reducing gang and gun violence. The funding allotted to the Gang Unit for suppression efforts would be used for gang training, investigative equipment, and evaluation for the collection and analysis of gang related statistics. The grant funds allotted to Intervention would aid in the prevention and intervention efforts of Operation Tipping Point.

These funds would directly aid the youth in our community who are at risk for gang affiliation through the creation of gang prevention specific programming and activities that would otherwise not be available. Funds would also assist in the payment of salary and benefits to the Gang Prevention Specialist who coordinates the Operation Tipping Point program.

The Lincoln Police Department Gang Unit employs a comprehensive gang strategy consisting of Suppression, Prevention, and Educational efforts. This model works to address the gang issues at all levels to include suppression efforts with hardcore gang members, prevention efforts with those at risk of gang affiliation and educational efforts to educate parents, community members, social service partners, and other law enforcement officers. Additional funding will certainly increase the Lincoln Police Department Gang Unit in carrying out this comprehensive strategy.

The Operation Tipping Point Program is the Lincoln/Lancaster community leader in gang prevention efforts. This program, coordinated by one Gang Prevention Specialist, works with those youth at risk for gang affiliation and coordinates these programs and efforts with numerous other community organizations and social services. The program works to provide mentorship and positive programs and activities for those at risk in an effort to insulate them from the dangers of gang affiliation. Additional funding over the next three years for this program would be an enhancement for this program, this would ensure this programs success and ability to continue to provide these vital services in our community.