TRAINS AND PREPARES JUSTICE-INVOLVED YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS FOR EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNTIES IN IN-DEMAND INDUSTRIES TO REDUCE VIOLENCE AND EMPOWER AMERICA'S YOUNG PEOPLE.

WHAT IT DOES

Growth Opportunities grants prepare justice-involved youth and young adults for the world of work through education and training, paid work experiences, mentorship, and leadership development; and the program contributes to community violence intervention among youth and young adults. This program contributes to the Biden-Harris Administration's comprehensive strategy to combat gun violence and crime, in part, with preventative measures proven to reduce violent crime.

The Growth Opportunities program simultaneously addresses multiple core issues important to youth and young adults in low-income communities. These issues include mentorship, conflict resolution, leadership development, education, and employment opportunities in in-demand industries, with a focus on paid work experiences during program enrollment.

SELECTED GRANTEES WILL:

- Have a violence prevention partner with significant experience in culturally competent outreach to individuals with a high risk of committing violence to interrupt the cycle of violence;
- Regional or local justice system partners that collaborate with violence prevention partners;
- Demonstrate commitment to equity and a successful track record of advancing equity for historically excluded and underrepresented populations

WHO IT SERVES (Target Population)

- Youth and Young Adults
- Re-Entry, Previously Incarcerated Workers
- Underserved Communities

WHO CAN APPLY

- Labor organizations / unions
- City, county, or township governments
- Native American Tribal organizations
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- County Governments, Regional government organizations, special district governments
- Nonprofit entities, Faith-based organizations, Community-based organizations

HOW TO APPLY?

Grants.gov (Round 2 Applications are due by 10/5/2022 no later than 11:59 pm ET)

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