

Grant Award Summary

GRANT AWARD NUMBER

COUNCIL FILE NO:
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ATF Firearms/Violent Crimes Impact Team (VCIT) 2016/2017

Grant Type: Continuation

Grantor: United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF)

Grant Period: October 1, 2016 - September 30, 2017

Award Amount: \$82,903.17

Match Required: N/A

Fiscal Agent: Milwaukee Police Department (MPD)

MPD Sub-Awardee: N/A

Allocation Purpose: Federal funding has been allocated for members of MPD working in an over-time capacity as a part of this Violent Crimes Impact Team (VCIT) task force.

Partners: N/A

Research & Evaluation: N/A

Program Goals

The goal of this continuing grant is to provide resources to assist the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives in joint law enforcement operations.

Programmatic Summary

MPD is a member of ATF VCIT, which is geographically based and focused and works to reduce violent crime by targeting and dismantling those criminal groups and gangs that pose the greatest threat to public safety and national security. Further, through collaboration with federal, state, local and tribal law enforcement agencies, to include state and federal prosecutors, VCIT also helps to remove violent criminals and organizations from the community. VCIT uses innovative technologies, analytical investigative resources, and an integrated federal, state, and local law enforcement strategy to identify, disrupt, arrest, and prosecute the criminals and gangs responsible for violent crime in targeted hot spots.

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Data:

During the 2017 federal fiscal year, MPD CGIC assigned eight police officers/detectives to work on the Violent Crimes Impact Team (VCIT). The focus of VCIT was placed on the reduction of gun violence in neighborhoods impacted by high percentages of violent crime. VCIT members worked within the Crime Gun Intelligence Center. Between January 1st and September 30th, 2017, the VCIT initiated 645 investigations based on NIBIN investigative lead developments. VCIT investigations resulted in the following accomplishments: 66 arrests, seven (7) firearms trafficking investigations, three (3) straw purchase investigations, 30 issued warrants for suspects, 20 residential search warrants, 28 other search warrants, 140 witness interviews, and 143 photo arrays. The VCIT made 76 referrals to the Milwaukee County District Attorney's office for state criminal charges and eight (8) referrals to the United States Attorney's Office for federal criminal charges.

