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The U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, [Community Capacity Development Office](#) (CCDO) is pleased to announce that it is seeking applications for funding the Weed and Seed Communities Competitive Program. This program furthers the Department's mission to prevent, control, and reduce violent crime, drug abuse, and gang activity. The Weed and Seed initiative is a community-based, comprehensive multi-agency approach to law enforcement, crime prevention, and neighborhood restoration. It is designed for neighborhoods with persistent high levels of serious violent crime and corresponding social problems. Weed and Seed Communities (WSC) must be developed in partnership with many local organizations—including the United States Attorney's Office (USAO)—to reduce crime and improve the quality of life in a community primarily through the redeployment of existing public and private resources into the community. WSC also helps to address related social problems that without proper intervention often lead to violent crime, drug abuse, and gang activity.

## **FY 2007 Weed and Seed Communities Competitive Program Guideline and Application Kit**

### **Eligibility**

Any urban, rural or Indian Tribe and Tribal community with a persistent high level of serious violent crime (Part I) pursuant to this guideline, and which has not previously received Weed and Seed Official Recognition (OR), is eligible to participate in the program.

### **Deadlines**

A Notice of Intent is due by **Thursday, June 29, 2006 [POSTMARK DATE]**.  
Draft WSC applications are due to the local USAO by **Tuesday, January 9, 2007 [POSTMARK DATE]**.  
Applications under this solicitation are due **Wednesday, January 31, 2007, by 8:00 PM EST via electronic submission through Grants.gov.**

### **Contact Information**

For assistance with the requirements of this solicitation, contact CCDO at 202-616-1152. This application must be submitted through *grants.gov*. The funding opportunity number is CCDO-2007-1371. For technical assistance with submitting the application, call *Grants.gov customer support hotline at 1-800-518-4726*.