

## Performance Measures

Documenting the efforts and results of the National Weed and Seed Strategy is critical for future Federal policy and budgetary decisions. Much of this data is drawn from the Government Performance and Results Act, P.L. 103-62, (GPRA) reports that are annually submitted by the local sites. Current GPRA forms and instructions are contained in the appendices to this Application Kit available through the CCDO Web site ([www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ccdo](http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ccdo)).

While the local sites are encouraged to collect any community information that will assist their own strategy development and assessment efforts, at a minimum they must be prepared to provide the annual performance information requested by CCDO. Failure to do so can result in the termination of CCDO's funding and the site's designation status.

Because the success of local Weed and Seed sites depends on sound strategic planning and decisions, CCDO expects the local sites to identify performance measures that will guide their own strategy development and implementation activities.

**Communities should develop and submit for CCDO approval additional performance measures -- beyond those noted in this guideline -- pursuant to their unique program activities.**

The National Weed and Seed Performance Measures chosen to demonstrate the effectiveness of the federal Weed and Seed effort and which are based on information from the local sites are as follows:

Objectives	Performance Measures	Data Provided by Grantees
Enable Weed and Seed Communities (WSC) to reduce serious and violent crime.	<p>Reduction of homicides per WSC site.</p> <p>Number of homicides per WSC site.</p> <p>Percentage of WSC sites including a multi-jurisdictional task force.</p> <p>Percentage of sites that have a prosecutor dedicated to trying firearms cases.</p> <p>Number of sites participating in 3 or more community policing activities.</p> <p>Average change in key crimes</p>	<p>Number of homicides in the WSC site.</p> <p>Number of homicides in the WSC site.</p> <p>Number of agencies involved in multi-jurisdictional task force operations in the WSC site.</p> <p>Number of prosecutors dedicated to trying firearms cases that related to the WSC site.</p> <p>Number of foot/bike patrols, substations, crime watch, and participation in community meetings in the WSC site.</p> <p>Number of homicides, robberies, aggravated assaults, burglaries, weapons offenses, and drug arrests in the WSC site.</p>

		(This information will be used to assess the percent change by the end of year three of their participation as a funded WSC site.)
Strengthen the WSC site's capacity to increase the quality of life in the community.	Number of faith-based and community-based partnerships developed through participation as WSC sites.	Number of faith-based and community-based partnerships, grantees, sub-grantees, and representatives on the Steering Committee in the WSC site.
Promote and sustain long-term community safety and access to essential resources in the WSC site (e.g., law enforcement, health, education, employment, housing, transportation etc).	Number of sources of funding  Number of sites that have found other sources of funding	Number and types of resources made available to the community through participation as a WSC.  Number and amount of additional resources including public and private service and financial and in-kind contributions.
Promote the assessment of effectiveness of services provided in the WSC.	Number of monitoring visits conducted since participation as WSC sites.	Cooperation in planning and conducting monitoring visits as a WSC site.

## How to Apply

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**Grants.Gov Instructions:** Complete instructions can be found at: <http://www.grants.gov/GetStarted> If you experience difficulties at any point during this process, please call the Grants.gov Customer Support Hotline at **1-800-518-4726**.

**Note:** Registering with Grants.gov is a one-time process; however, if the applicant is a first time registrant **it could take 3-5 business days to have the registration validated, confirmed, and user name and password sent**. It is highly recommended applicants start the registration process as early as possible to prevent delays in submitting the application package to CCDO by the deadline specified. In addition, applicants should be concise and focused on “bottom-line” issues; since there are limitations of space in the Grants.gov system, applicants must be able to relay the most critical information succinctly.

**CFDA Number:** The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for this solicitation is 16.595, titled Community Capacity Development Office and the funding opportunity number is **CCDO-2007-1371**.

**DUNS number requirement:** The Office of Management and Budget requires that all businesses and nonprofit applicants for Federal funds include a DUNS (Data Universal Numeric System) number in their application for a new award or renewal of an award.