

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1965

PART I. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROGRAM

1. Objectives

Objective is to assist in the development of projects and demonstrations involving new techniques and innovative approaches in all areas of law enforcement, including training and professional education for personnel. Included are programs dealing with crime prevention, law enforcement, criminal justice and corrections. Emphasis will be placed upon projects having a regional or national significance, or value as a model for other States and communities.

2. Operation

Operates through grant or contract assistance to State or local public agencies or private nonprofit organizations. Technical assistance will also be provided. Administered from Washington, D.C.

3. History

Program authorized by Law Enforcement Assistance Act of 1965 (Public Law 89-197) signed by President on September 22, 1965. Appropriation of \$7,249,000 authorized by Public Law 89-309, October 31, 1965. Office of Law Enforcement Assistance established by Attorney General which is currently staffed by 17 personnel, with 8 additional positions to be filled during current budget year. Over 700 inquiries have been received; one grant and one contract authorization have been executed; and, several others are nearing finalizing.

4. Level of operations. (See table 1.)

Program: Law Enforcement Assistance Act of 1965.

Department or agency, and office or bureau: Department of Justice.