

U. S. Department of Education

Safe and Drug-Free Schools Program

The Safe and Drug-Free Schools Program (SDFSP) is a component of the Office of Elementary and Secondary Education. SDFSP was established in 1994, through a merger of two offices, to provide a comprehensive, coordinated approach to the prevention of alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use by young people and the prevention of school violence. SDFSP administers a State formula grant program and a discretionary grant program. SDFSP also provides technical assistance to schools in the development of comprehensive programs to prevent violence and drug use.

SDFSP administers Title IV of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1994, as amended; the Safe and Drug-Free Schools Act; Title VII of Goals 2000; Educate America Act of 1994, The Safe Schools Act; and Subtitle D of the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, The Family and Community Endeavor Schools Act.

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Individual programs for the following Department of Education initiative were not funded at the time this information was published. For information about this initiative, contact the agency representative listed below.

Community Schools/FACES

The Family and Community Endeavor Schools Grant Program (FACES) is one of two similar programs authorized under Subtitle D: The Community Schools Youth Services and Supervision Grant Program. FACES supports the development or expansion of programs that are designed to improve the academic and social development of at-risk students at selected public schools in eligible communities. Programs activities may include homework assistance and after-school programs such as educational, social, and athletic programs; nutrition services; mentoring programs; family counseling; and parent training programs.

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Public/Private

Black Community Crusade for Children

Children's Defense Fund

The Black Community Crusade for Children is an intensive, long-term effort to mobilize the African-American community on behalf of black children and families. The goals of this program are to communicate the crisis facing black children and the steps that must be taken to produce positive outcomes for these children and their families; to build effective, informed African-American leadership focused on the needs of black children; and to inspire, encourage, and support high quality, effective personnel and organizational actions, programs, and initiatives that can improve life circumstances and chances for black children. In addition, the goals of the program are to promote sound, effective initiatives and policies at the local, State, and national levels that ensure every black child a healthy start; to reconnect the black middle class and black poor; and to rebuild the extended black community family that historically has provided a web of support and a lifeline of hope for black children.

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California Wellness Foundation's Violence Prevention Initiative

The California Wellness Foundation's 5-year Violence Prevention Initiative is a unique and promising project, designed to reduce the number of violent injuries to youth. The Pacific Center for Violence Prevention is the policy center for the Violence Prevention Initiative. The initiative focuses on three main policy goals: (1) promoting comprehensive community programs that will lead to the prevention of violence; (2) reducing youth access to alcohol; and (3) reducing youth access to firearms. These goals are pursued through the activities of several interrelated components, including 17 Community Action Programs, Academic Fellowships, Community Leader Fellowships, Research Fellowships, several collaborating organizations, and an evaluation team led by Johns Hopkins University, with subcontracts to Stanford University and the Rand Corporation. Community Action grants provide resources and technical assistance to select communities in California to decrease youth violence through a public health approach. The goals of these projects are to identify successful methods of

delivering youth violence intervention at the community level; to determine if multifaceted community programs can reduce rates of violent behavior, injury, and death associated with youth violence; and to build the capacity of local community agencies and organizations to mobilize successfully to prevent youth violence.

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Children At Risk

The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, the Bureau of Justice Assistance, and the Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse of Columbia University have undertaken a joint effort to help communities rescue their high-risk pre-adolescents from the interrelated threats of crime and drugs. This program is testing a specific intervention strategy for reducing and controlling illegal drugs and related crime in target neighborhoods. Multiservice, multidisciplinary neighborhood-based programs are being established to provide a range of opportunities and diverse services for 11- to 13-year-old youth and their families who are at risk of involvement in illegal drugs and crime.

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Families for Kids

W.K. Kellogg Foundation

The W.K. Kellogg Foundation launched Families for Kids in 1991 to encourage fundamental reform in the Nation's adoption systems. Projects that are funded through this initiative promote changes in policy affecting family preservation and adoption, and establish ways to help children and strengthen systems. In addition, these projects create culturally sensitive

strategies to provide children in their early years with adoptive parents and develop new and creative approaches to adoption practices and staff training. These programs also engage multiple agencies in a collaborative effort to achieve project goals and provide information about family preservation, adoption, and postadoption services.

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Fighting Back

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Fighting Back projects are community-wide coalitions designed to reduce the use and abuse of alcohol and illegal drugs by consolidating existing resources into a more accessible system of care. This comprehensive system includes prevention, early identification, treatment, aftercare services, relapse prevention, and neighborhood improvements.

Fighting Back communities orchestrate the efforts of many public, private, and voluntary organizations; and motivate them to go beyond their separate missions to address the common problem of substance abuse. By mobilizing the wider community around the primary issue of substance abuse, Fighting Back attempts to consolidate existing programs, develop creative new solutions, and fill service gaps. Although it is not intended to be a direct service provider, Fighting Back communities attempt to expand and enhance existing drug and alcohol-related services.

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Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative

The Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative enables grantee sites to form collaborative bodies of key decisionmakers to examine how detention space is utilized and to develop a comprehensive plan to reduce reliance on secure confinement without compromising public safety. Successful implementation of these plans will enhance the efficiency and fairness of the juvenile justice system, avoid disruptive litigation, and save scarce dollars.

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National Community Development Initiative

The National Community Development Initiative (NCDI) is a unique partnership that combines the resources of three major national corporations (Prudential, Metropolitan Life, and J.P. Morgan & Co.), seven foundations (Rockefeller, MacArthur, Knight, Pew Charitable Trusts, Surdna, Annie Casey, and McKnight), the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and scores of other local and private organizations. The organizations and corporations work together through two national intermediaries--the Enterprise Foundation and the Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC)--to build housing, spur economic revitalization, and provide essential services that will restore a decent quality of life in distressed inner-city neighborhoods.

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National Funding Collaborative on Violence Prevention

The National Funding Collaborative on Violence Prevention is a partnership among foundations, corporate grantmakers, experts in the field, and Federal agencies that have combined funds into a national pool. The funds are made available to as many as 12 jurisdictions to support promising, locally driven violence prevention and intervention efforts, based on local needs assessment and broad participation of the community. The goals of the program are to increase support for violence prevention programs from national and local philanthropic organizations; to encourage communities to undertake violence prevention and to participate in a national violence prevention program; to develop coordinated, interdisciplinary plans and programs to prevent and reduce violence; to model and stimulate effective collaborations involving public, private, and nonprofit sectors; to build local capacity for leadership; to improve violence prevention efforts; and to increase awareness of the crisis of violence and the importance of intervention and prevention initiatives.

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Neighborhood and Family Initiative

Ford Foundation

The goal of this initiative is to test whether investments are maximized when they occur in single neighborhoods and simultaneously to target the whole family, the physical and economic environment, and community leadership and organizational needs. A partnership has been developed with community foundations in four cities, each of which has selected a neighborhood and is overseeing a local collaborative that manages project planning and implementation. The cities are Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Detroit, Michigan; Memphis, Tennessee; and Hartford, Connecticut.

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Rebuilding Communities

Annie E. Casey Foundation

Rebuilding Communities is a neighborhood reinvestment strategy that is intended to enhance knowledge, support programs, and influence local and national policies to help residents of troubled low-income neighborhoods transform their neighborhoods into safe, supportive, and productive environments. The program is a multisite, multiyear demonstration grant program that supports comprehensive social and economic reinvestment in physical, social, and economic development.

Rebuilding Communities invests in neighborhoods where residents have already organized around an urgent need for change; made real progress toward improving the neighborhoods' social, physical, or economic environment; and want to expand their agenda. The program provides leverage and encourages investment and support to increase public and private capital investments in the neighborhoods; to develop and maintain housing and infrastructure; to improve social, health, and education services for children and youth; to maximize the commitment, capacity, and effort of neighborhood residents; to reform existing investment streams to maximize economic impact in the neighborhoods; and to develop capable and effective neighborhood collaborative relationships.

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Services to Children, Youth, and Their Families

Pew Charitable Trusts Projects

The Pew Charitable Trusts funds a number of youth-related activities in the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania area that target at-risk and delinquent youth. Funds are awarded to individual agencies or organizations to improve maternal and child health, to enhance the delivery of child care and early childhood programs, to prevent child abuse and neglect, and to strengthen and preserve troubled families. In addition, funds are awarded to support the ability of families to nurture children, to address the special needs of children with disabilities and their families, to promote the positive development of young children, to promote healthy adolescent development, and to prevent risk behavior.

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Small Business Administration One Stop Capital Shops

As a result of the Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993, the Empowerment Zone/Enterprise Community initiative was created. The Small Business Administration's (SBA's) portion of this multiagency initiative is the establishment of One Stop Capital Shops (OSCS's). The purpose of these shops is to bring the SBA's business development and capital resources together with other Federal, State, local, and private-sector resources. Customer needs will be the focus of the delivery system. Although many agencies will provide services to meet community needs for public safety, housing, and health, the SBA will provide the economic tools for sustained economic development and growth. SBA, one of many participants in this initiative, will complement and leverage other available business development and financial resources.