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Bureau of Justice Assistance

Gang Resistance Education and Training (GREAT) (CFDA 16.737)

FY 09	6,877,986
FY 10	4,978,573
FY 11	12,500,000

Grant Type: Competitive Grants

Grantee Type: All State, county, tribal and municipal units of general purpose government and law enforcement agencies and other special purpose law enforcement agencies (i.e., independent school districts) in the United States and U.S. Territories.

Grant Uses: The Gang Resistance Education and Training (G.R.E.A.T.) is a school-based, law enforcement officer-instructed classroom-training curriculum. G.R.E.A.T.'s violence prevention curriculum is a life-skills competency program designed to provide students with the skills they need to avoid gang pressure and youth violence. The program's primary objective is prevention and minimizing the probability of high-risk youth engaging in delinquency, youth violence, and gang membership. The instruction is taught in the classroom by specially trained, uniformed law enforcement officers. The curriculum can be used in conjunction with other prevention programs encouraging positive relationships between the community, parents, schools, and law enforcement.

The G.R.E.A.T. program is comprised of a continuum of curricula – Middle School (6th – 8th grades); Elementary (3rd and 4th grades); Families Component (parents/guardians and youth) and Summer Component. The various components and curricula build on and reinforce each other in addressing the factors that contribute to youth violence and gang involvement.

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