



Operation Weed and Seed

Operation Weed and Seed, a U.S. Department of Justice community-based initiative, is an innovative and comprehensive multi-agency approach to law enforcement, crime prevention, and community revitalization.

The Weed and Seed Strategy

Operation Weed and Seed is foremost a strategy--rather than a grant program--which aims to prevent, control, and reduce violent crime, drug abuse, and gang activity in designated high-crime neighborhoods across the country. Weed and Seed sites range in size from several neighborhood blocks to several square miles.

The strategy involves a two-pronged approach: law enforcement agencies and prosecutors cooperate in "weeding out" criminals who participate in violent crime and drug abuse, attempting to prevent their return to the targeted area; and "seeding" brings human services to the area, encompassing prevention, intervention, treatment, and neighborhood revitalization. A community-orientated policing component bridges weeding and seeding strategies. Officers

obtain helpful information from area residents for weeding efforts while they aid residents in obtaining information about community revitalization and seeding resources.

The Role of the United States Attorney

At each site, the United States Attorney plays a central role in organizing the Steering Committee and bringing together the communities with other Weed and Seed participants. The United States Attorney also facilitates coordination of federal, state, and local law enforcement efforts. Through such coordination, sites can effectively use federal law in weeding strategies and mobilize resources for seeding programs from a variety of federal agencies.

Official Recognition

On a track separate from funding, DOJ works with sites developing Weed and Seed strategies.

A prospective site applies for Official Recognition of its Weed and Seed strategy by submitting

its proposed strategy-- through the local United States Attorney's Office -- to the Executive Office for Weed and Seed (EOWS) for review and approval. The strategy must be locally driven and developed in accordance with EOWS guidelines. Benefits of Official Recognition include preference in receiving discretionary resources from participating federal agencies; priority for participating in federally sponsored training and technical assistance; use of the official Weed and Seed logo; and eligibility to apply for Department of Justice Weed and Seed funds.

Funding for Sites

During Fiscal Year 2001, approximately 270 communities used funding from the Executive Office for Weed and Seed.

Since Weed and Seed is foremost a strategy rather than a grant program, all Weed and Seed sites must show their capacity to obtain financial and

in-kind resources from a variety of public and private sources.

Many Weed and Seed sites have received support from federal, state, and local agencies, and the private sector (both non-profit and for-profit).

Communities interested in eligibility to apply for Fiscal Year 2003 Weed and Seed funds (subject to the availability of funds as appropriated by Congress) must have filed a Letter of Intent to apply for Official Recognition, co-signed by their U.S. Attorney by August 31, 2002; must have submitted the proposed application for Official Recognition to the local U.S. Attorney's Office for review by October 15, 2002; and must have applied for or received Official Recognition by October 31, 2002. EOWS issues funding application kits *only* to eligible sites.

Evaluation

Evaluation ensures that the Weed and Seed strategy is working in the sites. Therefore, the Department of Justice emphasizes evaluation of the program both locally and nationally. Original sites were required to carry out a local evaluation. National evaluations of Weed and Seed include the national process evaluation by the Institute for Social Analysis (1995) and the national impact evaluation of the program by Abt Associates (1999).

Oversight

The Executive Office for Weed and Seed, Office of Justice Programs, at the U.S. Department of Justice oversees the Weed and Seed program.

The Department of Justice is implementing a broad spectrum of programs to help prevent crime and assist law enforcement efforts around the nation. As one of these programs, Weed and Seed is the key component of the Department of Justice's anti-violence and drug enforcement/comprehensive community revitalization strategy. Through these efforts, residents throughout America have hope that they can enjoy a safer and better quality of life.

For more information on developing and implementing a Weed and Seed Strategy, see our website:
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The attached chart lists sites implementing the Weed and Seed Strategy with Weed and Seed Funding, plus sites which have just gone through the Official Recognition review process and have been listed in the 2002 Competitive Funding Application Kit.

ID	STATE	CITYOR_CO	SITE_NAME
8	AK	Anchorage	East Anchorage
22	AL	Birmingham	Birmingham
97	AL	Huntsville	Huntsville
134	AL	Mobile	Mobile
135	AL	Montgomery	Montgomery
174	AL	Prichard	Prichard
207	AL	Selma	Selma
165	AR	Pine Bluff	Pine Bluff
220	AR	Texarkana	Texarkana
70	AZ	Flagstaff	Flagstaff
164	AZ	Phoenix	Capitol Mall
163	AZ	Phoenix	Garfield
285	AZ	Phoenix	Sunnyslope
212	AZ	South Tucson	South Tucson
365	AZ	Tucson	Kino Coalition
228	AZ	Tucson	Tucson: Westside Coalition
247	AZ	Winslow	Winslow
48	CA	Compton	Compton
36	CA	Contra Costa	Montalvin Manor
49	CA	Contra Costa County	Rodeo/North Richmond
74	CA	Fresno	Fresno:Southeast
306	CA	Fresno	Fresno:Southwest
116	CA	Los Angeles	Pico Union (LA Central American Resource Center)
115	CA	Los Angeles	South Central (LA Gwen Bold Youth Foundation)
59	CA	Los Angeles	Southeast
151	CA	Oakland	Coliseum/Lockwood Gardens
369	CA	Oakland	West Oakland
158	CA	Oxnard	Oxnard: Area #1: La Colonia Area
159	CA	Oxnard	Oxnard: Area #2: Midtown Area
187	CA	Sacramento	Sacramento
194	CA	Salinas	Salinas
198	CA	San Diego	San Diego
199	CA	San Francisco	San Francisco
201	CA	San Jose	Washington Area
202	CA	Santa Ana	Area #1: Southcoast District
203	CA	Santa Ana	Area #2: SE District/ Minnie St.
286	CA	Santa Maria	Santa Maria

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333	CA	Santa Paula	Santa Paula
208	CA	Selma	Selma
35	CA	Vista	Vista
56	CA	West Oakland	West Oakland
14	CO	Aurora	Aurora
25	CT	Bridgeport	Bridgeport
87	CT	Hartford	Hartford
141	CT	New Britain	New Britain
138	CT	New Haven	New Haven
150	CT	Norwalk	Norwalk
214	CT	Stamford	Stamford
360	DC	Washington	Marshall Heights/Eastgate
237	DC	Washington D.C	Columbia Heights
295	DC	Washington D.C	Congress Heights
238	DC	Washington D.C	Ivy City/Trinidad
239	DC	Washington D.C	North Capitol Area
287	DE	Dover	Dover
246	DE	Wilmington	Wilmington
3	FL	Alachua County	Alachua County
24	FL	Brevard County	Brevard County
44	FL	Clearwater	Clearwater
424	FL	Collier City	Collier City
55	FL	Delray	Delray Beach
65	FL	Eatonville	Eatonville
372	FL	Fort Pierce	Fort Pierce
76	FL	Ft. Lauderdale	Ft. Lauderdale
75	FL	Ft. Myers	Ft. Myers
78	FL	Gainesville	North Gainesville
157	FL	Gainesville	South Gainesville
90	FL	Hillsborough County	Palm River
243	FL	Hillsborough County	USF Area
92	FL	Homestead	Homestead
102	FL	Jacksonville	Community Alliance Development Corporation
169	FL	Lakeland	Lakeland/Polk County
283	FL	Miami	Liberty City
284	FL	Miami	Little Haiti/Lemon City
152	FL	Ocala	Ocala
156	FL	Orlando	Orlando

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308	FL	Pensacola	Pensacola
149	FL	Riviera Beach	Riviera Beach
377	FL	Seminole County	Seminole County
193	FL	St. Petersburg	St. Petersburg
218	FL	Tallahassee	Tallahassee
219	FL	Tampa	Tampa
235	FL	Volusia County	Volusia County
241	FL	West Palm Beach	West Palm Beach
4	GA	Albany	Albany
10	GA	Athens	Athens (Clarke-County)
11	GA	Atlanta	Atlanta
13	GA	Augusta	Augusta
46	GA	Cobb County	Cobb County
63	GA	East Point	East Point
120	GA	Macon	Macon
204	GA	Savannah	Savannah
230	GA	Valdosta	Valdosta
309	GA	Waycross	Waycross
379	HI	Honolulu	EWA
93	HI	Honolulu	Kalihi/Palama/Chinatown
236	HI	Honolulu	Waipahu
57	IA	Des Moines	Des Moines
334	IL	Alton	Alton
380	IL	Chicago	Bethel New Life-NAC
381	IL	Chicago	East Aurora (Kane)
42	IL	Chicago	Northwest Austin
64	IL	East St. Louis	East St. Louis
73	IL	Freeport	Freeport
123	IL	Maywood/Bellwood	Maywood/Bellwood
313	IL	Peoria	Peoria
213	IL	Springfield	Springfield
233	IL	Village of Washington Park	Village of Washington Park
296	IN	Evansville	Evansville
382	IN	Fort Wayne	Fort Wayne
80	IN	Gary	Horace Mann Ambridge Neighborhood Improvement Organization
315	IN	Indianapolis	Coalition of Northeast Neighborhoods
99	IN	Indianapolis	Indianapolis --SUMO Area
429	IN	Indianapolis	Indianapolis--NESCO

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326	IN	Indianapolis	Mid-North
310	IN	Indianapolis	UNWA - United Northwest Area
423	IN	Indianapolis	Westside (Formerly WESCO)
383	IN	South Bend	South Bend
224	KS	Topeka	Topeka
245	KS	Wichita	Wichita
117	KY	Louisville	Louisville
104	LA	Jefferson Parish	Jefferson Parish
107	LA	LaFourche Parish	LaFourche Parish
143	LA	New Orleans	Algiers/Bywater
316	LA	New Orleans	Central City
142	LA	New Orleans	Treme
304	LA	Shreveport	Highland/Stoner Area
210	LA	Shreveport	Queensborough/Ingleside
317	LA	Terrebonne Parish	Terrebonne Parish
23	MA	Boston	Grove Hall
26	MA	Brockton	Brockton
41	MA	Chelsea	Chelsea
293	MA	Lawrence	Lawrence
118	MA	Lowell	Lowell
294	MA	Methuen	Methuen
16	MD	Baltimore	Historic East Baltimore Action Coalition, Inc
17	MD	Baltimore	Northwest--Project Garrison Area
18	MD	Baltimore	Washington Village/Pigtown
19	MD	Baltimore	West Area
322	MD	Landover	Landover(LARC)
195	MD	Salisbury	Salisbury
114	MD	Silver Spring	Long Branch
240	MD	Washington Heights	John Carroll Community
9	ME	Androscoggin	Androscoggin
384	ME	Lincoln	Lincoln
127	ME	Sagadahoc (formerly Midcoast)	Sagadahoc
298	MI	Battle Creek	Battle Creek
21	MI	Benton Harbor	Benton Township
300	MI	Detroit	11th Precinct
299	MI	Detroit	9th Precinct
58	MI	Detroit	NW Area Business Assoc.
385	MI	Flint	Eastside

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71	MI	Flint	Flint
81	MI	Grand Rapids	Grand Rapids
89	MI	Highland Park	Highland Park
100	MI	Inkster	Inkster
105	MI	Kalamazoo	Kalamazoo
137	MI	Muskegon/Muskegon Heights	Muskegon/Muskegon Heights
32	MN	Burnsville	Burnsville
386	MN	Cass Lake	Cass Lake
376	MN	Cottage Grove	Cottage Grove
136	MN	Mahnomen County	Mahnomen County
131	MN	Minneapolis	Central
132	MN	Minneapolis	Northside
133	MN	Minneapolis	Phillips
190	MN	St. Paul	ECON
191	MN	St. Paul	Frogtown
192	MN	St. Paul	Summit University
328	MO	Cape Girardeau	Cape Girardeau (SEMO)
329	MO	Caruthersville	Caruthersville (SEMO)
330	MO	Charleston	Charleston (SEMO)
98	MO	Independence	Independence
106	MO	Kansas City	Kansas City
331	MO	Poplar Bluff	Poplar Bluff (SEMO)
332	MO	Sikeston	Sikeston (SEMO)
189	MO	St. Louis	St. Louis
83	MS	Greenville	Advent Heights
84	MS	Greenville	Amy Covington/Metcalf
101	MS	Jackson	Jackson
229	MS	Tupelo	Tupelo
425	MT	Great Falls	Great Falls
148	MT	Northern Cheyenne	Northern Cheyenne
38	NC	Charlotte	Charlotte
60	NC	Durham	Durham
388	NC	Fuquay-Varina	Fuquay-Varina
389	NC	Gastonia	Gastonia
82	NC	Greensboro	Greensboro
85	NC	Greenville	Greenville
88	NC	High Point	High Point
119	NC	Lumberton	Lumberton

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140	NC	New Bern	Community Resource & Development Center of Eastern NC
179	NC	Raleigh	Southeast Raleigh
185	NC	Rockingham	Rockingham
248	NC	Winston-Salem	Winston-Salem
390	NE	Omaha	South Side
154	NE	Omaha	North Side
268	NH	Manchester	Manchester
12	NJ	Atlantic City	Atlantic City
33	NJ	Camden	Camden Site I
392	NJ	Camden	Camden Site II
393	NJ	Newark	Clinton-Hill
144	NJ	Newark	Newark
155	NJ	Orange	Orange
318	NJ	Pleasantville	Pleasantville
226	NJ	Trenton	Trenton Northwest
303	NJ	Trenton	Trenton Southeast
234	NJ	Vineland	Vineland
6	NM	Albuquerque	Albuquerque
108	NM	Laguna Pueblo	Laguna Pueblo
110	NM	Las Cruces	Las Cruces
126	NV	Las Vegas	Las Vegas
305	NV	Reno	Extended Northeast Reno
181	NV	Reno	Northeast Reno
5	NY	Albany	Albany
398	NY	Binghamton	Binghamton
28	NY	Bronx	Castle Hill
27	NY	Bronx	Mott Haven
29	NY	Brooklyn	East New York
31	NY	Buffalo	Eastside
399	NY	Buffalo	Westside
96	NY	Huntington Station	Huntington Station
103	NY	Jamestown	Jamestown
139	NY	New Cassel	New Cassel: Westbury Neighborhood Advisory Council
145	NY	North Amityville	North Amityville
146	NY	North Bellport	North Bellport
173	NY	Poughkeepsie	Poughkeepsie
176	NY	Queens	Far Rockaway

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184	NY	Rochester	Northeast
319	NY	Rochester	Southwest
186	NY	Roosevelt	Roosevelt
216	NY	Syracuse	Home Headquarters: Westside Area
215	NY	Syracuse	Northside
227	NY	Troy	Troy/Rensselaer Co
419	NY	Utica	Utica
232	NY	Village of Hempstead	Village of Hempstead
2	OH	Akron	Akron
43	OH	Cincinnati	Cincinnati - Coalition of Neighborhoods
400	OH	Cincinnati	Lincoln Hgts/Lockland
401	OH	Cincinnati 2	Madisonville
47	OH	Columbus	Columbus
402	OH	Dayton	Dayton
68	OH	Euclid	Euclid
86	OH	Hamilton	Hamilton
403	OH	Hamilton	North End
366	OH	Lima	Lima Site #1
113	OH	Lima	Lima Site #2
222	OH	Toledo	Toledo (ONYX)
223	OH	Toledo-Lagrange	Toledo-Lagrange
249	OH	Youngstown	Youngstown
112	OK	Lawton	Lawton Outreach Center
153	OK	Oklahoma City	Oklahoma City
320	OR	Burns-Paiute	Burns-Paiute Tribe
69	OR	Eugene	Eugene
407	OR	Gresham	Rockwood
171	OR	Portland	Albina
172	OR	Portland	Area #2 (Southeast)
406	OR	Portland	Peninsula Site
160	PA	Philadelphia	26th District
161	PA	Philadelphia	North Philadelphia (24/25th Dist)
162	PA	Philadelphia	West Philadelphia (16/19th Dist)
167	PA	Pittsburgh	East Liberty
166	PA	Pittsburgh	Hazelwood
168	PA	Pittsburgh	Homewood
420	PA	Reading	Reading
291	PR	Aguadilla	Aguadilla
396	PR	Caguas	Caguas

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292	RI	Pawtucket	Pawtucket
175	RI	Providence	Providence
37	SC	Charleston	Charleston
72	SC	Florence	Florence
147	SC	North Charleston	North Charleston
408	SC	Spartanburg	Spartanburg
302	SD	Brown County	Brown County
66	SD	Enemy Swim/Waubay	Enemy Swim/Waubay
301	SD	Martin	La Creek/Martin
180	SD	Rapid City	Rapid City
321	TN	Bristol	Bristol
409	TN	Chattanooga	Martin Luther King Neighborhood
40	TN	Chattanooga	Westside Community Development Corp.
45	TN	Cleveland	Cleveland
61	TN	Dyersburg	Dyersburg
95	TN	Humboldt	Humboldt
323	TN	Jackson	Jackson
125	TN	Memphis	Memphis
426	TN	Trenton	Trenton
7	TX	Aldine (Harris County)	Aldine (Harris County)
15	TX	Austin	Austin
20	TX	Beaumont	Beaumont
30	TX	Brownsville	Brownsville
411	TX	Brownsville	Brownsville Site #2
50	TX	Corpus Christi	Corpus Christi: Area #1 Northside Area
51	TX	Corpus Christi	Corpus Christi: Area #2 West Area
53	TX	Dallas	Ferguson Road Initiative
52	TX	Dallas	Old East Dallas
54	TX	Dallas	South Dallas
413	TX	Fort Worth	Near SE Comm.
77	TX	Ft. Worth	Ft. Worth
79	TX	Galveston	Galveston
427	TX	Grand Prairie	Grand Prairie
289	TX	Houston	Greater Fifth Area
94	TX	Houston	Gulfton
290	TX	Houston	Near Northside
414	TX	Laredo	Laredo
124	TX	McAllen	McAllen
428	TX	Port Arthur	Port Arthur

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182	TX	Richmond	Richmond
197	TX	San Antonio	San Antonio
415	TX	San Antonio	West
221	TX	Texarkana	Texarkana
231	TX	Vernon	Vernon: Visions Econ Dev Corp
244	TX	Wichita Falls	Wichita Falls
196	UT	Ogden City	Ogden City
324	UT	Salt Lake City	Salt Lake City
242	UT	West Valley City	West Valley City
39	VA	Charlottesville	Charlottesville
325	VA	Harrisonburg	Harrisonburg
183	VA	Richmond	Richmond
188	VI	St. Croix	Estate Grove Place
67	VI	St. Thomas	Estate Bovoni
109	WA	Lakewood	Lakewood
417	WA	Rochester	Rochester
273	WA	Seattle	Central Seattle
206	WA	Seattle	Southeast Seattle
418	WA	Spokane	Edgecliff
217	WA	Tacoma	Tacoma
225	WA	Toppenish	Toppenish
121	WI	Madison	Madison
128	WI	Milwaukee	Northside/CSP Area #1
129	WI	Milwaukee	Southside Area #2
130	WI	Milwaukee	United South Area #3
177	WI	Racine	Racine
327	WV	Wheeling	Wheeling