

Contract summary

Industry

Other Services

Location of contract

England and Wales

Value of contract

£1.1m

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29/09/2022

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09/11/2022

Contract start date

19/12/2022

Contract end date

31/03/2024

Description

The Home Office is seeking to award grant funding of up to £1.1m in FY 22/23 and FY 23/24 to Police and Crime Commissioners (PCCs), Police Forces and/or Regional Organised Crime Units (ROCU) in England and Wales.

Whilst the evidence shows overall crime continues to fall, homicide is rising. To the year ending March 2022, there was a 25% increase in police recorded homicide offences compared to the year ending March 2021. The proportion of homicides where a knife or sharp instrument was the method of killing was 40% in the year ending March 2022¹.

Despite the recent rise in homicide, serious violence has decreased, resulting in an uncharacteristic divergence of these trends. This reinforces the need for specific homicide funding, as the work carried out on serious violence is not working to reduce homicide as we would expect.

The purpose of the Homicide Prevention Fund (HPF) is to address this gap by funding projects which have an evidenced impact on homicide reduction or seek to improve national process, enhance capabilities, or improve analysis and use of data.

To do this, the HPF will fund selected PCCs, Police Forces and ROCUs to deliver work to target the drivers of homicide locally and regionally, in addition to separate funding for national police system leaders from the NPCC, College of Policing and NCA to deliver projects that will improve homicide prevention nationally across all 43 police forces.

We welcome proposals from PCCs, Police Forces and ROCUs that take forward activity to:

- a) **Tackle any of the drivers of homicide.** We are particularly interested in proposals that focus on tackling the drivers linked to the recent increase in homicide, and welcome local data to back bids in this category.
- b) **Build on the current understanding and evidence base of the drivers** linked to the recent increase in homicide, with the aim of developing targeted interventions that work.
- c) A combination of both.

Eligibility

PCCs, Police Forces and ROCUs across England and Wales.

Bidders are welcome to apply as a single entity or in partnership with other PCC's, ROCU's and/or Police Forces. While each PCC/ROCU/Police force will be eligible to submit **one bid only** as a lead organisation but can be part of a joint bid as a delivery partner. For example, two or more PCCs or Police Forces may wish to come

¹ [Crime in England and Wales - Office for National Statistics \(ons.gov.uk\)](https://ons.gov.uk/crime-in-england-and-wales)

together and submit a joint bid with a proposal that will have an impact on homicide across two or more police force areas.

PCCs, Police Forces and ROCUs bidding as single entities may bid up to a maximum of £150,000 per financial year. Bidders who can provide evidence that their proposal will impact multiple police force areas, will be eligible to bid for up to a maximum of £300,000 per financial year.

Bidders must be able to demonstrate that they can spend their potential award for each financial year. Given the reduced delivery period in 22/23, we ask that bidders provide a breakdown of grant funding that they will be able to spend within this financial year.

Outcomes

The desired outcomes of the HPF are:

1. To prevent homicides in England and Wales;
2. To support system leaders, and regional and local policing partners to improve their response to prevent homicide;
3. To improve knowledge and understanding of the drivers of homicide, and develop and deliver interventions that will target these drivers;
4. To build the evidence base for what works on reducing homicide;
5. To improve the quality of violent crime data that forces record and share with the Home Office, to ensure we continue to accurately target activity.

Successful bidders will be required to:

- Work within the parameters set out in their proposal and subsequent Grant Agreement;
- Provide regular reporting, including financial reporting, to Home Office on delivery of their proposal, including successes, challenges, risks and mitigations;
- Work with Home Office and/or police system leaders to evaluate the success and impact of the work once the funding period concludes, through a review of the outcomes achieved and how they will continue to benefit the policing system response to homicide going forward;
- Work collaboratively with the NPCC and College of Policing to ensure any learning identified through their funded work is shared more widely through mechanisms such as the Homicide Prevention Framework.

Bids to the HPF can be for one or both financial years (22/23 and/or 23/24). Bidders must be able to demonstrate the ability to spend their entire potential award within the financial year for which it is awarded.

Bidders should note that a Home Office condition of any grant funding will be that recipients are not permitted to charge, apply fees to or require payment for any activity provided in connection with this funded programme or otherwise use the grant to undertake or engage in activities that result in commercial gain or profit.

NOTICE TO SUPPLIERS

In December 2016, the Cabinet Office launched its minimum standards for government grants: These include the requirement that competition should be the default option when considering award of grant funding.

To comply, the Home Office has decided to manage its competitions using their Jaggaer eSourcing portal.

How to register

In order to bid for funding, bidders will first need to register on the Home Office (HO) Jaggaer portal via the following link:

<https://homeoffice.app.jaggaer.com/web/login.html>

Bidders should be approved for usage within 24 hours of registering on the system.

After clicking on the eSourcing portal link, it should take you to the home page. On the left-hand side of this page, just below the login boxes, there is an option to register.

To register as a supplier, you will need to provide information which will include:

- the full legal name of your organisation
- your DUNS number - a unique nine-digit number provided to organisations free of charge by Dun & Bradstreet
- profile information describing your organisation and the size of your business

Once registered as a supplier on the portal please send a notification email to **HomicidePreventionFund@homeoffice.gov.uk** to request access to the associated documents for the HPF fund.

If you have any difficulties registering on the system, then you should contact the Supplier eSourcing Helpdesk: customersupport@jaggaer.com

The HO Jaggaer eSourcing portal is independent of other eSourcing portals. Therefore, if you have registered on the Crown Commercial Service Jaggaer eSourcing portal, you will also need to register on the HO Jaggaer eSourcing portal.

Please note that bids will only be accepted via the HO eSourcing portal. Any bids received outside of this system will not be considered by the Authority.

Please note that registering for access to the eSourcing tool will not make you a Home Office supplier. To be considered for award of funding you must first respond to an opportunity.

Further information about procurement at the Home Office can be found on the [gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk) website.

About the buyer

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Other information

This competition will be managed electronically via the Home Office Sourcing Suite.

How to apply

Once successfully registered on the system you should email **HomicidePreventionFund@homeoffice.gov.uk**. You will then be given access to the event on the eSourcing portal, where you will find all the documentation needed. Applications for the fund will be submitted via the eSourcing portal.