

New Hampshire Implementation -American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

Program Title: **Community Oriented Policing**

Short Description: The COPS program funds wages for additional law enforcement officers hired to do community oriented policing. This is a federally managed program.

ARRA Appropriation nationwide: \$1,000,000,000

Estimated New Hampshire Funds: \$5,131,372

Granting Agency: U.S. Department of Justice

Applying Agency: Any New Hampshire municipality could apply for funds

Status: As of July 28, 2009, the following 12 communities were awarded grants: Alexandria, Alton, Claremont, Concord, Epping, Franklin, Keene, Lincoln, Manchester, Plymouth, Rochester and Wakefield. Of the 12 communities, the number of Officers Awarded is 24.

Award Criteria: Review information on the COPS web site

Time Line for use: Application deadline was through 4/14/09.

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- Justice recovery website
 - <http://justice.gov/recovery/>
- COPS specific information
 - <http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/Default.asp?Item=2108>
- Discretionary funding available to multiple applicants.

“The Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office) is pleased to announce the availability of funding under the COPS Hiring Recovery Program (CHRP). CHRP is a competitive grant program that provides funding directly to law enforcement agencies having primary law enforcement authority to create and preserve jobs and to increase their community policing capacity and crime-prevention efforts. Up to \$1 billion in grant funding will be available for the hiring and rehiring of additional career law enforcement officers. There is no local match requirement for CHRP, but grant funding will be based on current entry-level salary and benefits packages and therefore any additional costs for higher salaries or benefits for particular individuals hired will be the responsibility of the grantee agency. CHRP grants will provide 100 percent funding for approved entry-level salaries and benefits for 3 years (36 months) for newly-hired, full-time sworn officer positions (including filling existing unfunded vacancies) or for rehired officers who have been laid off, or are scheduled to be laid off on a future date, as a result of local budget cuts. At the conclusion of federal funding, grantees must retain all sworn officer positions awarded under the CHRP grant.”

All information is the best available as of 8/4/09 and is subject to change. Estimated funds may change significantly as federal agencies finalize allocations and/or competitive grants are awarded.