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AT LEAST 85 MEET DEADLINE TO APPLY FOR $5 MILLION CRIME PREVENTION GRANT
More applications still under review for certification

INDIANAPOLIS – (September 22, 2008) At least 85 applications were received today before the noon application deadline for the $5 million Community Crime Prevention Grant. More applications are still being processed.

The Community Crime Prevention Grant centers primarily on ways the community can decrease crime by directly connecting community involvement, law enforcement and the criminal justice system. Funding will go toward filling documented gaps in existing services and toward promoting collaboration among existing institutions, programs and efforts that involve neighborhood residents.

Funding areas cover a wide spectrum of topics that include employment, health, at-risk families, foster care youth, neighborhoods, mentoring, youth and adult education, and youth engagement.

Certified grant applications will now go through a review process and upon recommendation of Mayor Greg Ballard will be forwarded to the City-County Council for approval. Entities awarded the grant funding are expected to receive their allotted funds by the end of 2008.

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