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MAYOR ANNOUNCES $5 MILLION GRANT FOR CRIME PREVENTION

INDIANAPOLIS – (August 4, 2008) Indianapolis Mayor Greg Ballard and the Crime Prevention Advisory Board announced today the release of the Community Crime Prevention Grant RFP. Funding for this initiative is made possible by an Ordinance by the City-County Council.

The Community Crime Prevention Grants will center 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 promote collaboration amongst existing institutions, existing programs, and efforts that involve neighborhood residents.

“This is a vital piece in our fight against crime,” said Mayor Ballard. “Community involvement is a necessary element in our plan to reduce crime in Marion County. This funding will help community organizations join us in the fight against crime.”

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

For more background information about the Crime Prevention Grant, application and submission details please refer to the Mayor’s Homepage at www.indygov.org.

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