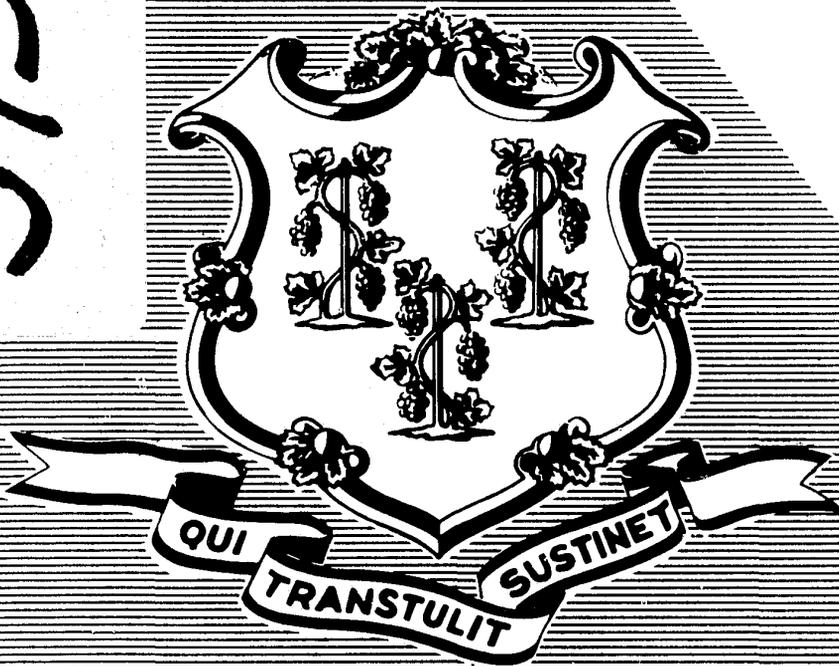


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FOREWORD

The Connecticut Justice Commission is one of fifty state and five territorial criminal justice planning agencies working to improve the criminal justice system and reduce crime. To do this, each year the Justice Commission prepares a plan which identifies the State of Connecticut's criminal justice needs and crime problems and proposes projects to improve the system and lessen the incidence of crime.

Once the annual plan is prepared and approved by the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration, the Justice Commission awards federal LEAA dollars, along with state matching funds, to projects consistent with the plan. The CJC is also responsible for the administration of these funds, for monitoring the progress of the projects funded, and ultimately for auditing and evaluating the effectiveness of a selection of the programs supported.

This booklet lists by program area and briefly describes the projects funded from Connecticut's 1976 bloc grant of \$7.9 million. Also listed are planning grants to the CJC's seven regional planning agencies and discretionary grants received directly from the LEAA by Connecticut agencies and municipalities during the 1976 fiscal year.

THE CONNECTICUT JUSTICE COMMISSION

In 1968 the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act instituted a program of federal block grants to the states to support improved, innovative state and local law enforcement, crime control, and criminal justice programs.

At the federal level the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration was set up to administer this program. Each state was required to create a criminal justice planning agency to be eligible to receive LEAA funds.

In 1968 the Planning Committee on Criminal Administration was designated by the Governor as Connecticut's official criminal justice planning and funding agency. In 1976 its name was changed to Connecticut Justice Commission and the Commission was established legislatively by PA 76-432, signed by the Governor June 9, 1976.

Each year, after research into Connecticut's law enforcement and criminal justice needs and problems, the Connecticut Justice Commission produces a statewide plan. As a part of this plan, the CJC allots the State's annual LEAA block grant to a variety of programs in the adult and juvenile justice systems--programs addressed to the police, the courts, corrections, juvenile justice, organized crime, and to system improvements in the areas of manpower and training and communications and information systems.

Once its annual plan is approved by LEAA, the CJC accepts applications for grants from state agencies and local governments. It reviews these applications, makes awards, administers grant funds and monitors project progress, and ultimately audits and evaluates a percentage of total grants.

The twenty-one member Justice Commission, the final decision-making body in this planning and funding process, is appointed by the Governor and State legislative leaders. It includes representatives of law enforcement and justice agencies, juvenile justice agencies, state and local government, and related organizations and concerned citizens. Day-to-day support is provided by professional and clerical staff of about 45 under an Executive Director appointed by the Governor.

Seven regional planning offices assist the CJC in planning and grant administration. These regional offices are supported with forty percent of the State's annual "planning grant." The regional offices are the usual point-of-contact for local applicants and grantees and also provide technical assistance to criminal justice efforts in their areas.

The CJC funds programs under the LEAA's "seed money" concept. This means it directs its funding to getting new, innovative projects off the ground and to supporting justice system improvements so major that they would probably not be attempted without this federal aid. As a rule the CJC has funded projects for limited periods, averaging three years, at declining levels, after which state agencies, local governments, or alternative sources of support have picked up a sizeable percentage of these programs.

For Fiscal Year 1976 Connecticut was allotted an LEAA block grant of \$6,557,000 along with \$303,000 in funds provided under the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974. The CJC received \$909,000 in planning funds to cover agency overhead and support its seven regional offices. For the federal transition Quarter (July 1, 1976, to September 30, 1976) Connecticut was allotted \$1,377,000 in action grant funds, \$75,000 in juvenile justice program funds, and \$184,000 in planning funds.

The CJC also administers discretionary grants awarded directly by the LEAA. Connecticut programs were awarded \$1.7 million in new discretionary monies during FY 1976 while projects worth a total of well over \$2 million were active at one time or another during the period.

Fiscal Year 1976 LEAA funding represents a decrease in Connecticut's action grant from 1975 of nineteen percent or \$1.3 million. Faced with a cut of this magnitude, the CJC has been severely challenged in its 1976 planning to fulfill its commitments to ongoing projects while maintaining its commitment to experiment and innovation in criminal justice.

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September 14, 1976

The Connecticut Justice Commission has recently completed its eighth major funding round. To date the Commission has awarded \$5.7 million of its \$7.9 million 1976 Law Enforcement Assistance Administration bloc grant. So far one-hundred and one projects, new and continuing, are recipients of these funds.

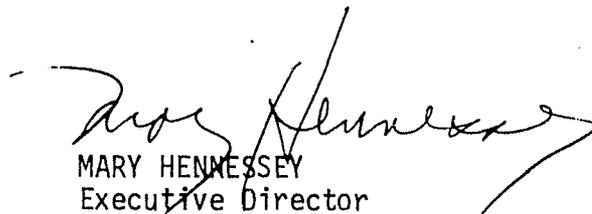
Among particularly significant program efforts we will be watching closely during the coming year are:

- A group of projects geared to development of improved emergency voice communications statewide
- A variety of programs for the improvement of Justice agency administration and management
- An already successful new Economic Crimes Unit
- The continuing development of the State's Criminal Justice Information System--a confederation of individual justice agency information systems that will facilitate information exchange and provide for a core of law enforcement and justice data
- An array of projects to improve police management information and planning capacities and, thereby, to provide more effective and economical police resource utilization and to develop new strategies for deterring crime
- The final phase in a series of experiments in the handling of juvenile probation
- The continued development of Youth Service Systems in Connecticut communities--including a special new pilot Youth Service System specifically geared to serving a large city
- An assortment of programs for rehabilitating offenders and assisting their reentry into the community

This year Justice Commission planning has sought to minimize effects of LEAA budget cuts on the important programs the CJC subsidizes and to maintain the pattern of major system improvement and significant innovation developed over the past eight years.

As part of its efforts to get Connecticut the greatest distance for its reduced LEAA dollar, the CJC has launched initiatives such as increasing the technical assistance it offers justice agencies; improving its program monitoring and management; and requiring projects to incorporate into grant applications concrete benchmarks that will render results more easily and immediately demonstrable.

For the immediate present we hope these efforts can help minimize, as much as possible, the fiscal pinch. Over the longer range, we expect they will also help us demonstrate, more dramatically than has been possible in the past, the positive effects of the LEAA program and the wisdom of escalating, rather than reducing, our efforts--and our spending--to reduce crime and improve criminal justice.



MARY HENNESSEY
Executive Director

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1976 CJC GRANTS

EQUAL ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE: THE COURTS

Pretrial Diversion Programs

DEPARTMENT OF ADULT PROBATION, \$130,000, for the Hartford Pre-trial Diversion Project. Eligible persons can have pending criminal charges continued for a three-or-more-month period while they participate in a program of social, educational and career counseling. Successful completion of the program can result in the court's dismissing charges.

Pretrial-Presentence Diagnostic Clinic

DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, \$70,000, to continue the on-site competency evaluation team. This team performs pre-trial and presentence examinations of mental competency at jails, hospitals, and the project offices, eliminating routine commitments to state hospitals for this procedure and the resulting time lag, costs, and stigmatization of the accused.

Improved Administrative Capacities in Justice Agencies

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT, \$46,425, to continue to support the Rules Committee of the Superior Court's efforts to revise and modernize the procedural rules under which all Connecticut courts operate.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT, \$182,488, to establish and operate a comprehensive planning and research unit in the department.

UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT SCHOOL OF LAW, \$6,170, to prepare a comprehensive commentary on the Connecticut Rules of Criminal Procedure adopted June 7, 1976, by the Connecticut Judiciary and effective October 1, 1976. These rules number in excess of 400 and cover the criminal process from arrest through sentencing and appeal. The Rules Committee will not produce an official commentary on the rules so this project will help bench, bar, and public be as fully informed as possible on the nature, origin, significance, and interrelationship of the new rules.

Economic Crime Unit

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT, \$125,000, to continue the Economic Crime Unit charged with investigating and prosecuting cases involving criminal activities designed to cheat and exploit Connecticut citizens.

STREET CRIME, POLICE SERVICES; ORGANIZED CRIME

Improved Police Resource Deployment

WEST HAVEN, \$200,000, to expand a six-town regional crime analysis and deterrent deployment project. Geared to the police problems of small communities, the project includes the towns of Branford, East Haven, Hamden, Milford, North Haven, and West Haven.

CAPITOL REGION COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS, \$100,000, for a resource allocation project. Under earlier grants the police records systems in Enfield, Rocky Hill, Windsor, Vernon, and East Hartford have been modified and from the improved data these departments will now develop improved crime reduction strategies. This year the program will expand to include Avon, Glastonbury, Newington, South Windsor, West Hartford, and Wethersfield.

OLD SAYBROOK, \$30,000, to expand a semi-automated analysis of police patrol work loads and develop new patrol and crime reduction strategies.

Experimental Anti-crime Projects

NEW HAVEN, \$200,000, to complete development, citywide, of the experimental Directed Deterrent Patrol project. This program aims to prevent crime through a process of analysis of crime occurrence data and the development of innovative patrol strategies to deter criminal activities. In its final phase, beat-oriented patrol will be replaced completely by this new program which instructs officers on where they should be at all times when not responding to calls for service and on what crime-deterrent tactics they should be using.

Organized Crime Investigative Task Force

STATE POLICE, \$175,000, to continue the Statewide Organized Crime Investigative Task Force (SOCITF). The task force aims to reduce organized criminal activity in Connecticut. Its operations have been directed toward such activities as gambling, loansharking, infiltration of legitimate business, cigarette smuggling, etc.

YOUTH CRIME AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION

Improved Police Response to Juvenile Delinquency

DERBY, \$11,676, for a Police Youth Officer who will be trained to work effectively with juveniles, will develop techniques for processing and following up juvenile cases, will act as a liaison between the Police Department and various youth serving agencies, and will assist in the compilation of data on complaints involving juveniles.

STONINGTON, \$11,191, for a youth officer who will deal with juvenile offenders and youth-serving agencies and establish school programs.

MONROE, \$13,000, for the police department's Juvenile Bureau which will emphasize delinquency prevention and development of alternatives to referral to Juvenile Court. The Juvenile Officer will also investigate juvenile cases and assist in officer training.

BRIDGEPORT, \$12,420, for a civilian case screener in the police Youth Bureau. He or she will divert juveniles to community resources.

SHELTON, \$11,770, for a police Youth Bureau whose officer will be trained in dealing with juvenile offenders and will coordinate area efforts to prevent delinquency.

WATERBURY, \$12,870, for a civilian youth coordinator who will coordinate police department and related agencies' handling of delinquents and youths in delinquency-producing situations.

HARTFORD, \$13,000, for a civilian case screener in the Hartford Police Department Youth Services Division. He or she will divert juveniles to available community services and thus reduce Juvenile Court caseloads.

VERNON, \$13,000, for a juvenile officer who will work with community service organizations to coordinate all youth-related services and will help develop police department policy for juvenile cases.

WETHERSFIELD, \$13,000, for a youth officer whose major responsibility will be improving police handling of juvenile offenders.

Community Residential Facilities

DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH SERVICES, \$534,000, to continue supporting twelve group homes which provide alternatives to institutionalizing young offenders along with supporting a coordinating unit which assists these homes in fiscal management and program services.

Youth Service Bureaus/Youth Service Systems

The goal of these programs is diverting children and youths from the traditional criminal justice system. The hope is that this will avoid the stigma attached to involvement with the criminal justice system and minimize other experiences, such as incarceration with hardened offenders, likely to fix a youngster in the role of delinquent.

The ideal youth service bureau is public, non-coercive, and not a part of the traditional criminal justice system. It is not basically a "service delivery" agency; its role is locating and enlisting available community resources to serve its youthful clients and acting as effectively as possible as a brokerage for such services.

Ideally, the Youth Service Bureau takes the youngster in trouble and attempts to put a finger on the nature of his or her needs. It then steers him, even accompanies him, if necessary, to the appropriate agency or other source of help (counseling, legal help, medical care, educational assistance).

CJC contractual funds allow bureaus to purchase those services that are needed by its clients and are not otherwise available in its community--for example, counseling or psychiatric services.

DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH SERVICES, \$30,000, to continue the statewide youth service bureau coordinator who offers some 57 local youth agencies assistance in their development and operation, training, program development, and development of funding sources.

NEW MILFORD, \$29,442, for the Housatonic Regional Youth Service Bureau which serves the youth of New Milford, Sherman, Washington, Roxbury, and Bridgewater with short-term counseling and crisis intervention and development and improvement of existing youth programs.

FAIRFIELD, \$41,598, to continue its new Youth Service Bureau. Besides program development and counseling and referral, the bureau is developing Parent Effectiveness Training, runaway assistance, and Wilderness Experience projects.

WALLINGFORD, \$34,433, to continue its new Youth Service Bureau. Among services it has already promoted are emergency shelter, companion, and alternative school programs. Youth employment and family counseling are among second year program goals.

NORWICH, \$35,105, for its Youth Service Bureau. The bureau's projects have included establishment of a Juvenile Review Board, diagnostic services, and neighborhood outreach.

MANSFIELD, \$30,675, to continue its Youth Service Bureau. Among its efforts the bureau has undertaken to make available psychiatric services and has developed a youth counseling center and a youth employment program.

OLD SAYBROOK, \$21,056, to continue its Youth Service Bureau. Among its special programs are the provision of professional individual and family counseling, formerly unavailable in the community. Proposed projects include a "parent training" program.

MILFORD, \$30,960, to continue a Youth Service Bureau which has undertaken the establishment of a host home network and a wilderness experience project as well as developing counseling, employment, and emergency services.

WETHERSFIELD, \$24,496, for the WAY Youth Service Bureau. Among the WAY's offerings are a host home program, family therapy, and a wilderness experience.

BRISTOL, \$33,519, for its Youth Service Bureau. Project AWARE provides crisis intervention and offers psychological services and has helped establish a Juvenile Review Board.

STAFFORD, \$15,890, for a Youth Service Bureau which aims to mobilize services for youths and to divert them from the juvenile justice system. Family therapy and the development of a job program are among services the bureau is developing.

ENFIELD, \$30,140, for its Youth Service Bureau which provides counseling and activity coordination and the development of resources for youths.

NORTH HAVEN, \$33,889, for the five-town East Shore Youth Services System that also serves Madison, Guilford, Branford, and East Haven.

WINDSOR, \$31,793, to continue its new Youth Service Bureau. Its programs have included groups for teenagers with alcoholic parents or relatives, a youth volunteer corps, and a community speakers bureau.

WEST HARTFORD, \$30,833, to continue its new Youth Service Bureau which offers counseling and referral services and is developing emergency shelter and youth leadership programs among others.

DANBURY, \$35,867, to continue the new Danbury area Youth Service Bureau which also serves Bethel, Brookfield, New Fairfield, Newtown, Redding, and Ridgefield. Child abuse prevention and peer counseling are among its special projects.

WATERBURY was awarded \$50,182 in second year funding for the Youth Services System operated by the Waterbury YMCA. Among programs to be developed are emergency shelter for runaways and a referral and follow-up system for troubled youngsters.

NEW HAVEN was awarded \$25,182 for development, by its Youth Service Bureau, of an attendance improvement or truancy prevention center.

Among other Youth Services grants awarded were:

STAMFORD, \$50,182, for second year support of its Youth Service System. Emergency Shelter Care and police youth-community workshops will be among special projects.

SEYMOUR, \$29,952, for the Lower Naugatuck Valley Community Council's new Youth Service Bureau. It will also serve Ansonia, Derby, Oxford, and Shelton.

NEWINGTON, \$20,498, for its new Youth Service Bureau.

STRATFORD, \$25,075, to establish a new Youth Service Bureau.

Eight continuing youth service bureaus were awarded grants with which they can purchase needed services, such as psychological counseling, for youngsters on a contractual basis. Recipients were:

HAMDEN, \$10,000, to continue its youth service bureau's Early Intervention program.

THOMPSON, \$10,000, for psychological services, individual and family therapy, crisis counseling, and a Big Brother/Big Sister program.

NEW BRITAIN, \$10,000, for its Black Counseling program and other social service programs.

MIDDLETOWN, \$10,000, for the Youth Service Commission for psychological services and a Wilderness School program.

WEST HAVEN, \$10,000, for truancy prevention and a "youth and community" project.

EAST HARTFORD, \$10,000, for evaluation and treatment of emotional problems.

MERIDEN, \$10,000, for an Alternate School program combining academic and work experience.

LITCHFIELD HILLS REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY, \$10,000, for diagnostic testing and family counseling services.

Juvenile Court Program

JUVENILE COURT, \$45,000, to continue compiling and analyzing data on delinquency cases referred to the juvenile court.

JUVENILE COURT, \$35,000, to continue the statewide Director of Juvenile Probation Services. He is responsible for maintaining uniformity of service while retaining the benefits of the decentralization of Juvenile Court into three districts.

Pilot Juvenile Probation Projects

JUVENILE COURT, \$83,490, for its Second District pilot juvenile probation project. This program, one of three experimental approaches to juvenile probation, serves first and minor offenders, puts emphasis on fast contact and intensive evaluation, service planning, and case follow-up.

JUVENILE COURT, \$145,563, for a First District (Bridgeport) pilot juvenile probation project which established a specialized intake unit for more immediate and individualized handling of delinquency cases.

Administrative Support: DCYS

DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH SERVICES, \$33,173, for its Centralized Analysis and Evaluation project. The project has created an expanded information system which assists in the evaluation of department operations and in research activities.

Youth Service System for a Large City

BRIDGEPORT was awarded \$100,000 to establish a new model Youth Services System to serve a large city. The city's application proposes a multi-agency program of counseling for high-risk and pre-delinquent youth, and will include runaway shelter, youth outreach and prevention, and alternative education programs.

DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE AND ADDICTION

Alcohol Treatment Programs

DANBURY, \$40,000, for the Midwestern Connecticut Council on Alcoholism's counseling program and regional alcohol resource center.

NEW BRITAIN, \$13,105, for the Wheeler Affiliates, Inc., court liaison/alcohol counselor.

WATERBURY, \$15,096, for the Morris Foundation's court liaison and counseling program.

SEYMOUR, \$44,000, for the Lower Naugatuck Valley Council on Alcoholism's development of an eight-bed detoxification and treatment program at Laurel Heights Hospital.

HARTFORD, \$27,799, to continue support of counseling staff members at the Salvation Army's residential treatment program for chronic alcoholics.

Drug Substitution Treatment Programs

NORWALK, \$25,000, for the Norwalk Department of Health's Methadone Maintenance and Treatment program for confirmed heroin addicts.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION, \$25,000, for the Hartford Dispensary's Methadone maintenance and rehabilitation services.

BRIDGEPORT, \$25,000, for that city's methadone maintenance and treatment program. Program aims to divert addicts from crime by obviating the need to support an expensive habit and to aid them in assuming productive roles in society.

WATERBURY, \$25,000, for Waterbury Hospital's methadone maintenance and treatment program.

THE REHABILITATION OF OFFENDERS

Redirection Center for Non-adjudicated offenders

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION, \$70,000, to continue support of the Bridgeport Correctional Center's Redirection Center. This program aims to reduce numbers of pre-trial detainees in correctional centers by developing supervised release, counseling, legal aid, and other programs to serve these persons.

Project P/PREP

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION, \$353,000, for P/PREP--Private/Public Resources Expansion Project. The program aims to assist in the reintegration of offenders into the community upon their release. Involvement of various private and public agencies and improved public acceptance of ex-offenders have been promoted. Pre-release diagnostic services and post-release crisis intervention services are also components of the program.

Pilot Probation Services Project

DEPARTMENT OF ADULT PROBATION, \$160,000, to continue a pilot specialized probation project which attempts to have services needed by certain probationers largely provided by community agencies. Program contracts with service agencies for services, also includes use of paraprofessional probation aides.

Correctional Ombudsman

HARTFORD INSTITUTE OF CRIMINAL AND SOCIAL JUSTICE, \$40,000, for the Correctional Ombudsman. This program provides an independent and impartial mechanism for hearing inmates' complaints and investigating and attempting to resolve them.

Just Community/Cheshire Program Development

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION, \$65,000, to continue developing alternative correctional counseling techniques and training correctional counselors in their use. The program's "Just Community" approach stresses group participation in developing standards of behavior and aims to develop increased ethical perceptions in participants.

Pre-release Planning/Parole Services

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION, \$110,000, to continue a pre-release program and three multi-service centers (in Hartford, New Haven, and Bridgeport) to coordinate community social resources for parolees in those cities.

Reentry Program for Addicted Offenders

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION, \$100,000, for Project FIRE (Facilitating Integrated Reentry Experiences) which attempts to help offenders with histories of drug abuse reenter the community and provides them with a variety of services with emphasis on employment assistance.

Treatment for Incarcerated Alcoholics

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION, \$100,000, for Project ACT (Alcohol Counseling and Treatment) which provides alcohol programs in Connecticut Correctional institutions.

JUSTICE RESOURCES: MANPOWER

Civilian Specialists for Justice Agencies

NEW HAVEN, \$4,528, to continue a police department statistical analyst.

ENFIELD, \$5,900, to continue the juvenile advocate who evaluates and refers youngsters to local sources of assistance.

WEST HAVEN, \$8,428, to continue a regional police legal advisor who serves the West Haven, Milford, Hamden and North Branford departments.

MERIDEN, \$6,374, to continue a police planner.

ANSONIA, \$6,700, to continue a regional police planner who serves the Derby, Seymour, Shelton, and Ansonia departments.

NEW HAVEN, \$8,625, to continue a crime lab technician responsible for analysis of evidence for the New Haven police department and, on request, seventeen other towns in the region.

MILFORD, \$6,612, to continue a specialist who performs juvenile case screening, referrals, and follow-up.

NEW HAVEN, \$6,611, for a juvenile case screener in the New Haven Department of Police Services Youth Services Unit.

Nonsworn and Volunteer Personnel in Justice Agencies

ROCKY HILL, \$830, for a police department clerk-typist to reduce paperwork demands on officers, freeing them for patrol and investigation.

GLASTONBURY, \$2,336, for a civilian dispatcher to free sworn officers for patrol functions.

NEWINGTON, \$5,688, for the Newington, Wethersfield, and Rocky Hill police departments' civilian court liaison. This civilian employee follows all court cases, notifies witnesses, etc., makes evidence available, and keeps the departments advised of progress of cases. This coverage has returned two officers to street duty.

NEW CANAAN, \$3,500, to continue support for a police department transcription clerk whose work has meant time savings of 28 man-hours per week in the detective bureau, 20 in the patrol division, and has allowed creation of daytime detective patrol.

BETHEL, \$10,500, to continue its civilian dispatcher program.

WATERBURY, \$8,775, to continue three police department paraprofessionals in service and administrative functions in the administration, records and communications, and property and evidence divisions. Program has sought to employ persons preparing for law enforcement careers.

EAST WINDSOR, \$5,625, for a police paraprofessional responsible for report preparation and related administrative and clerical duties.

EAST HARTFORD, \$7,389, to continue information technicians who deal with clerical and complaint duties, relieving desk lieutenants for supervision and training responsibilities.

HAMDEN, \$9,750, to continue three civilian dispatchers in the police department.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION, \$19,012, to continue support of records and research clerks who replace corrections officers on Project Correct File. This program is centralizing and standardizing Department inmate records into a computerized tracking system.

STATE POLICE DEPARTMENT, \$4,044, for a civilian to perform routine photography laboratory duties.

Training for Law Enforcement Personnel

MUNICIPAL POLICE TRAINING COUNCIL, \$175,000, for its recruit and in-service training of municipal law enforcement personnel. Besides 400 hours of recruit training, MPTC offers in-service programs in supervision, training, and middle-management, training programs for constables and supernumeraries, and seminars on topics such as sudden and suspicious deaths. It also offers a library of films, cassettes, etc.

Development of Connecticut Justice Academy

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION, \$108,000, for the Connecticut Justice Academy in Haddam which trains personnel for seven state justice agencies.

Correctional Staff Development Program

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION, \$28,500, to continue an in-service training program for employees at correctional institutions.

Technical Assistance for Local Law Enforcement Agencies

HAMDEN, \$200,000, for statewide technical assistance program for local police departments to be administered with the South Central Criminal Justice Supervisory Board. The program will employ professional consultants to assist in upgrading police voice communications, records and information systems, and personnel administration. All Connecticut departments will be eligible for this assistance.

JUSTICE RESOURCES: COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Collect System

STATE POLICE, \$400,000, to continue the development and operation of COLLECT (Connecticut On-Line Law Enforcement Communications and Teleprocessing) system, a network that connects 82 municipal police departments to State and national motor vehicle and law enforcement files.

Voice Communications Systems

STATE POLICE, \$179,997, to the 1976 phase of its Voice Communications Improvement Program.

Records and Management Information

HARTFORD, \$87,197, to continue development by the Hartford Police Department of a management information system for the Capitol Region. The system is modeled on and adapted from the Salt Lake City Police Department's information system.

Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS)

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND CONTROL, \$30,000, to continue support of the Director of the Criminal Justice Information System. CJIS is a confederation of semi-autonomous information and communications subsystems serving criminal justice agencies (State and local police, courts, corrections, parole, probation, plus the Motor Vehicle Department) individually. It is designed so individual subsystems work together to serve the system as a whole. The CJIS director is responsible for design, implementation, and operation of CJIS as a whole and acts as coordinator of the systems, insuring their compatibility within the statewide system.

RECENT GRANTS OF 1975 FUNDS

Since the beginning of 1976, the following new awards have also been made by CJC using 1975 funds. They total nearly \$890,000.

SEYMOUR, \$43,884, for the Lower Naugatuck Valley Council on Alcoholism, Inc., for an eight-bed residential facility for treatment of alcoholics in the acute stages.

HAMDEN, \$70,000, to help local law enforcement agencies with planning and developing emergency telecommunications systems under the CJC's statewide emergency telecommunications plan.

UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK, \$14,513, to develop and implement procedures for monitoring jails and detention facilities to assure compliance with the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974.

BERLIN, \$4,702, for the police department's youth bureau.

FARMINGTON, \$4,348, to continue the police juvenile officer.

WEST HAVEN, \$51,476, for Case Incident Regional Reporting System (CIRRS), the automated records and management information system that serves seventeen South Central Connecticut towns.

DEPARTMENT OF ADULT PROBATION, \$22,383, for an affirmative action specialist.

EAST HAVEN, \$40,000, to continue a sixteen-town regional crime prevention unit.

DEPARTMENT OF ADULT PROBATION, \$56,567, for ex-addict screening teams who screen drug-involved clients for specialized referral.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION, \$13,000, for its Correctional Master Plan project.

STATE POLICE, \$118,000, to support modernization of their long-range radio communications.

HARTFORD, \$138,524, to continue development of an automated police information system for the Capitol Region.

STATE POLICE, \$30,000, to develop a cost allocation system for Connecticut On-Line Law Enforcement Communications and Teleprocessing (COLLECT) system users.

JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION, \$9,990, for a study of all matters within the jurisdiction of the Juvenile Court.

HARTFORD, \$100,000, to continue development of its police department crime analysis capability and thus of better crime prevention programs.

JUVENILE COURT, \$34,311, to test, in the New London YWCA, the National YWCA community-based intervention program for troubled girls.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND CONTROL, \$136,874, to continue support of the Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS), a confederation of justice agency information systems interfacing to provide interagency access to information and a core system of criminal justice information.

LEAA DISCRETIONARY GRANTS

In addition to awarding grants from Connecticut's annual block grant, the Connecticut Justice Commission has encouraged eligible applicants in the State to apply for LEAA discretionary grant awards. During 1976 Connecticut benefited from its largest total ever of discretionary funding. Over a dozen projects supported by discretionary money continued or began during the year. The federal funding involved totals well over \$3 million.

Discretionary grants, awarded through the LEAA's New England Regional Office in Boston, are directed to crime reduction and criminal justice system programs with national implications and to projects in what have been identified as special problem areas.

Below are brief descriptions of projects supported during 1976 with discretionary funds:

COURTS

The JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT received \$91,464 for a project to develop Improved Caseflow Management in a Limited Jurisdiction Trial Court. This award provided funds for staff and consultant assistance to a committee of judges and others knowledgeable in the functioning of Connecticut's courts of limited jurisdiction. The committee was to explore in depth the problems of managing the flow of cases and to seek solutions to those problems. In addition, it addressed itself to the legislated merger of the Circuit Court and the Court of Common Pleas. Proposed results are reduced congestion of court calendars and facilities and an expedited flow of cases to their dispositions.

POLICE

HARTFORD received \$179,000 to test, in several neighborhoods, the Hartford Police Department's Experimental Neighborhood Team Policing program. Team policing divides the city into districts, each with a commander who functions as a Chief of Police in his district. Patrol officers are permanently assigned to districts, and thus neighborhood team policing aims to bring them closer to the community, making their efforts more knowledgeable, effective, and responsive to community needs. Hartford was one of six communities in the country chosen to test neighborhood team policing under awards from the National Institute of Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice.

NEW HAVEN was awarded \$139,735 for its Department of Police Service Victim Services Unit. This new unit is designed to address the often neglected victim of crime. It is directing its major efforts to victims of serious crime and working to help them get needed emergency services-- medical assistance, clothing, food, shelter, financial help, counseling. The unit will also attempt to expedite returns of property and will notify victims of progress in their cases. It will act as an advocate for the victim and will assist victims who are called as witnesses.

ORGANIZED CRIME

CONNECTICUT STATE POLICE DEPARTMENT was awarded \$180,000 to continue operation of Connecticut's Statewide Organized Crime Investigative Task Force (SOCITF). This funding allowed SOCITF to continue to gather intelligence on organized crime in Connecticut and to identify participants, centers of activity, and modus operandi. SOCITF continues to

involve various state agencies and local law enforcement agencies in efforts against organized crime. It also continues to try to educate the public about organized criminal activity.

JUVENILE JUSTICE/DELINQUENCY PREVENTION

The JUVENILE COURT (Third District) was awarded \$88,324 for its Hartford Neighborhood Probation Office. One of three experimental approaches to juvenile probation being tried in Connecticut's three juvenile court districts, the Neighborhood Unit lets the court deal with the child and his or her family in their own neighborhood using resources available in the area. All probation functions--intake, social investigation, referral, probation--will be included with the addition of a wider range of diagnostic and treatment alternatives.

The JUVENILE COURT (First District) received \$234,001 to establish, in Bridgeport, a specialized intake unit which offers more immediate and individualized handling of juvenile cases, reduces detention, and aims to insure appropriate use of diversion from the court process. Ultimately, the Juvenile Court is expected to adopt the most successful strategies developed in these experiments in the three Juvenile Court districts.

The NATIONAL BOARD OF THE YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION was awarded grants of \$160,044 and \$200,000 to support a network of YWCA-operated intervention centers in the six New England States. One of the Intervention Centers, programs designed to remedy the lack of community-based services and provide alternatives in institutionalization for girls and young women who have had brushes with the law, operates in the Greater Hartford Regional YWCA.

NEW HAVEN received a grant of \$7,780 to produce a specialized in-service training package for police youth officers.

NEW HAVEN was awarded \$100,000 to augment and expand an existing counseling-work-study program operated jointly through LEAA and CETA. The grant provides for two work opportunity counselors who will develop employment opportunities for a group of youths identified as "pre-delinquent." The counselors will work in selected inner-city high schools and will place participating youths in supervised work situations in a variety of public and private agencies.

The CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH SERVICES is the recipient of an award of \$1,405,641 that will allow the state to develop alternatives to institutionalizing youthful status offenders--those youngsters who are committed to Juvenile Court for offenses like running away and truancy which are not crimes if committed by adults. Under this grant, three alternative programs for dealing with young status offenders in other-than-institutional settings will be tested.

The first of three community-based model programs, a Maximum Intervention Model, will include an intensive evaluation of the child, his family, his social group, etc. An individualized plan of care will be developed and the child will be placed in the community and provided with services and follow-up.

The second, a Minimum Intervention Model, will use special probation officers of the Juvenile Court to intensively counsel the youngster and the family in a limited number of crisis intervention sessions. A second Minimum Intervention Model will function like the first, mainly by providing crisis intervention and short-term counseling; however in this model these will be provided by community agencies.

The grant will also support development of needed support programs such as short- or long-term residential placement options. Under this program it is expected that within the two years of this project all status offenders will be removed from detention or prevented from entering detention facilities.

THE REHABILITATION OF OFFENDERS

The CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION received a \$59,396 award for its Project PLAN. These funds will support the development of a set of standards and a ten-year master plan for the Department of Correction. During the most recent stage of the project, its goals were the development of a comprehensive set of Connecticut-specific correctional standards, the statement of these with sufficient clarity that they will be susceptible to measurement, their adoption, testing, and their restatement in definitive form.

The CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION was awarded \$142,422 for training 40 correctional officers in using the "Just Community" approach to correctional supervision and management. The "Just Community" aims at inmates' ethical development by means of a program in which staff members and living units composed of 20 to 40 inmates participate as a community and each individual has an equal voice in the development of its rules and procedures and in determining how the unit will operate within the institution.

FCON, INC./THE AMERICAN FOUNDATION was recipient of a grant of \$977,830 to develop a model prison industries project. From the 50 states they selected the Connecticut Department of Correction for the initial study. In general, this project's goals will be to introduce

major correctional change by using a "Free Venture" correctional industries model. The dominant theme of this model is productive labor with "outside world" relevance and efficiency and "outside world" wages. The resulting project, at present in its earliest stages, could extend over several years and ultimately receive several million dollars in funding.

In very recent awards, Connecticut agencies have also received the following LEAA discretionary grants:

The DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION was awarded \$146,142 for a Volunteer Adult Basic Reading Tutorial Project. Literacy Volunteers of America, Inc. (LVA), will establish basic reading tutorial programs at four Connecticut correctional facilities along with the State of Maine's single institution. LVA will develop a basic reading tutorial program in each facility. Under this program volunteers and inmates will tutor functionally illiterate inmates in basic reading and will train tutors to give basic literacy instruction.

The DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION, \$107,778, for the third phase of ON-CIT (Objectivity Now-Citizen Involvement Tomorrow). Phase I is an in-patient therapeutic community that uses positive peer pressure to improve participants' behavior. Phase II also occurs within the institution (Cheshire). It emphasizes personal development and education and offers individuals more independence. Phase III will provide a minimum security living facility, outside the institutional walls. It will offer the client the opportunity to test out gains made in the earlier phases in a less-structured setting as well as providing him with a gradual transition into the outside community. Phase III is designed to include a high degree of community involvement.

The JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT was awarded \$288,000 to set up a restitution unit which will provide the administrative machinery needed to more fully implement restitution as a sentencing alternative. The unit will assist sentencing judges with comments on the appropriateness of restitution as a sentence and by preparing restitution plans which describe the ability of the defendant to pay monetary restitution or engage in some alternate service of value. It will arrive at appropriate figures in complex cases. The unit will develop schedules and methods of payment and monitor the plan until restitution has been successfully completed. The unit also proposes to set up a restitution fund, to be used in cases, such as drugs or gambling, where no individual victim is identified but where large restitution might be an appropriate sentence. This fund could then be used to supply immediate restitution to individual victims.

PLANNING GRANTS

Along with a total of \$8.3 million in Law Enforcement Assistance Administration and Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention act funds for programs to improve Connecticut's adult and juvenile justice systems, the Connecticut Justice Commission was awarded LEAA Planning Grants totaling \$1.1 million for 15-month long fiscal 1976. Sixty percent of this finances the agency's operations; the other forty percent is passed through to operate the CJC's seven regional planning agencies. For fiscal 1976 and the additional federal transition quarter, they have been awarded the following planning grants:

Capitol Region Council of Governments	\$ 94,564
Central Connecticut Regional Planning Agency	\$ 38,733
Eastern Connecticut Criminal Justice Supervisory Board	\$ 60,805
Fairfield County Criminal Justice Supervisory Board	\$ 90,135
Litchfield Hills Regional Planning Agency	\$ 22,883
South Central Connecticut Criminal Justice Supervisory Board	\$117,814
Western Connecticut Criminal Justice Supervisory Board	\$ 34,082

1976 AWARDS TO STATE AGENCIES

<u>Grantee</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Page No.</u>
Adult Probation, Department of	Hartford Pre-Trial Diversion	\$130,000	1
Adult Probation, Department of	Specialized Probation Services	160,000	11
Children and Youth Services	Central Group Home Coordinating Unit	534,000	4
Children and Youth Services	Youth Service System Coordinator	30,000	5
Children and Youth Services	Centralized Analysis & Evaluation	33,173	9
Correction, Department of	Hartford Dispensary Methadone Maintenance	25,000	10
Correction, Department of	Redirection Center for Non- Adjudicated Offenders	70,000	11
Correction, Department of	Private/Public Resources Expansion Project	353,000	11
Correction, Department of	Just Community & Cheshire Staff Development	65,000	12
Correction, Department of	Parole Aides & Multi-Service Centers	110,000	12
Correction, Department of	Facilitating Integration & Re-Entry Experience (FIRE)	100,000	12
Correction, Department of	Alcohol Counseling & Treatment (ACT)	100,000	12
Correction, Department of	Correct File	19,012	14
Correction, Department of	Joint Training at Conn. Justice Academy	108,000	15
Correction, Department of	Correctional In-Service Training	28,500	15

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<u>Grantee</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Page No.</u>
Finance and Control	Criminal Justice Information System Staffing	\$ 30,000	16
Hartford Institute of Criminal and Social Justice	Correctional Ombudsman	40,000	12
Judicial Department	Judicial Department Planning Unit	182,488	1
Judicial Department	Rules Committee Staff Unit	46,425	1
Judicial Department	Economic Crime Unit	125,000	2
Judicial Department	Judicial Research	45,000	3
Judicial Department	Director, Juvenile Probation Services	35,000	9
Judicial Department	Early Intervention (Juvenile Court)	83,490	9
Judicial Department	Case Assessment Unit (Juvenile Court)	145,563	9
Mental Health	Pre-Trial & Pre-Sentence Diagnostic Clinic	70,000	1
Municipal Police Training Council	Training for Law Enforcement Personnel	175,000	14
State Police	Statewide Organized Crime Investigative Task Force	175,000	3
State Police	Civilian Photographer	4,044	14
State Police	COLLECT System	400,000	15
State Police	Voice Communication Improvement Program	179,997	15
University of Conn. School of Law	Commentary on Revised Rules of Criminal Procedure	6,170	2

1976 AWARDS TO LOCAL GRANTEEES

<u>Grantee</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Page No.</u>
Ansonia	Sub-Regional Police Planner	\$ 6,700	13
Bethel	Civilian Dispatchers	10,500	14
Bridgeport	Juvenile Case Screening Specialist	12,420	4
Bridgeport	Youth Service System	100,000	10
Bridgeport	Drug Substitution Treatment Program	25,000	11

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<u>Grantee</u>	<u>Project.</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Page No.</u>
Bristol	Project AWARE	\$ 33,519	7
CRCOG	Capitol Region Resource Allocation Process	100,000	2
Danbury	Danbury Area Youth Service System	35,867	7
Danbury	Assistance to Alcoholic Offenders	40,000	10
Derby	Police Youth Officer	11,676	3
East Hartford	Youth Services Bureau	10,000	8
East Hartford	Information Technician	7,389	14
East Windsor	Paraprofessional Personnel	5,625	14
Enfield	Youth Service System	30,140	7
Enfield	Juvenile Advocate	5,900	13
Fairfield	Fairfield Youth Services Center ...	41,598	6
Glastonbury	Subprofessional Dispatcher	2,336	13
Hamden	Youth Service System	10,000	8
Hamden	Civilian Dispatchers	9,750	14
Hamden	Technical Assistance for Local Law Enforcement Agencies	200,000	15
Hartford	Juvenile Screening and Diversion	13,000	4
Hartford	Alcoholic Treatment Program	27,799	10
Hartford	Management Information System	87,197	15
Litchfield Hills Regional Planning Agency	Youth Service System	10,000	9
Mansfield	Youth Service System	30,675	6
Meriden	Youth Services Bureau	10,000	9
Meriden	Police Planner	6,374	13
Middletown	Youth Services Bureau	10,000	8

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<u>Grantee</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Page No.</u>
Milford	Milford Youth System	\$ 30,960	6
Milford	Delinquency Prevention	6,612	13
Monroe	Juvenile Bureau	13,000	4
New Britain	Youth Service Bureau	10,000	8
New Britain	Court Liaison/Alcoholism Counselor	13,105	10
New Canaan	Transcription Clerk	3,500	13
New Haven	Directed Deterrent Patrol	200,000	3
New Haven	Attendance Improvement Center	25,182	8
New Haven	Statistical Analyst	4,528	12
New Haven	Crime Lab Technician	8,625	13
New Haven	Police Screening and Diversions	6,611	13
Newington	Youth Services Bureau	20,498	8
Newington	Non-Sworn Court Liaison	5,688	13
New Milford	Housatonic Regional Youth Services Bureau	29,442	5
North Haven	East Shore Youth Service System	33,889	7
Norwalk	Methadone Maintenance	25,000	10
Norwich	Youth Service Bureau	35,105	6
Old Saybrook	Improved Resource Deployment	30,000	3
Old Saybrook	Youth Services Bureau	21,056	6
Rocky Hill	Clerk Typist	830	13
Seymour	Valley Youth Services Bureau	29,952	8
Seymour	Acute Alcohol Treatment Programs	44,000	10
Shelton	Shelton Police Youth Bureau	11,770	4
Stafford	Stafford Youth Services Bureau	15,890	7
Stamford	Youth Services Bureau	50,182	8

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<u>Grantee</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Page No.</u>
Stonington	Youth Officer	11,191	33
Stratford	Youth Service System	25,075	8
Thompson	Quinebaug Valley Youth Services Bureau	10,000	8
Vernon	Juvenile Officer	\$ 13,000	4
Wallingford	Youth Services Bureau	34,433	6
Waterbury	Civilian Youthful Offender Coordination	12,870	4
Waterbury	Youth Services Bureau	50,182	7
Waterbury	Aid for Alcoholic Offenders	15,096	10
Waterbury	Methadone Maintenance Program	25,000	11
Waterbury	Police Paraprofessionals	8,775	14
West Hartford	Youth Service Coordinator	30,833	7
West Haven	Crime Prevention Planning for Small Communities	200,000	2
West Haven	Youth Services Bureau	10,000	8
West Haven	Regional Police Legal Advisor	8,428	13
Wethersfield	Youth Officer	13,000	4
Wethersfield	The WAY	24,496	6
Windsor	Windsor Youth Services Bureau	31,793	7