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## Press Release

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### **Lehigh County announces 2021 Youth Violence Prevention Grant**

**Lehigh County, PA-** On Thursday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, Lehigh County's Department of Community and Economic Development will begin to accept applications for the 2021 Youth Violence Prevention Grant. The program is open to non-profit organizations within Lehigh County seeking to reduce youth violence within their communities. If approved, applicants can receive up to \$25,000-\$50,000 in funding.

#### **Eligibility Requirements:**

- An organization requesting a Youth Violence Prevention Grant must be a cultural or civic, or organization and be recognized as either
  - a.) a nonprofit organization under Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code or
  - b.) a nonprofit organization affiliated with a unit of local government.

If approved, the funding for the grant may be used for the following:

- Activities which detect and interrupt potentially violent conflicts.
- Efforts which identify and treat risk of violence, including behaviors and treatment.
- Job training and skills development to facilitate economic opportunity and advancement.
- Response to community shootings through positive norms and community organizing.

Further details, eligibility requirements, and application information can be found on the Lehigh County website at <https://www.lehighcounty.org/>.

"We must look after the next generation of residents and take the right measures to make sure they have a bright future ahead of them." Said Lehigh County Executive Phil Armstrong, "The 2021 Youth Violence Prevention Grant will allow for eligible organizations to fund programs that could provide skills training, behavioral treatments, economic advancements, and so much more. This grant can influence one's life for the better, and I am excited for our Community and Economic Development team to be a part of such an amazing cause."

The deadline to apply for the 2021 Youth Violence Prevention Grant is Friday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, at 4:00PM. All applications must be received by this date. To apply, please submit all completed applications to Aidan Levinson at [AidanLevinson@lehighcounty.org](mailto:AidanLevinson@lehighcounty.org) or by mail to:

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