



GOVERNMENT ALLIANCE FOR SAFE COMMUNITIES



Unprecedented governmental collaboration between the State of Illinois, Cook County, and the City of Chicago to support communities in building and promoting safety



HOW IT STARTED

The Government Alliance for Safe Communities (GASC) was established in 2021 to maximize the impact of federal funding coming to the greater Chicago region and respond to the rise in gun violence experienced nationally and locally. Since its inception, GASC has successfully stewarded a historic level of investment of nearly \$350 million in public funding for community safety.



WHY IT MATTERS

GASC exists because active coordination, collaboration, and communication within government are essential to effectively and sustainably reduce gun violence and increase safety in the communities most impacted by the gun violence crisis in our region.



HOW IT WORKS

Since 2021, GASC has met continuously to coordinate investments, align on data collection practices, and focus on capacity building. GASC has engaged key partners in research and philanthropy and is collaboratively developing sustainability strategies to fund community safety initiatives.



WHAT WE DO

- **Funding:** Unifying and streamlining grantmaking processes to ensure effective, sustainable, and equitable administration of grants across agencies
- **Capacity Building:** Increasing access to organizational capacity building support for community-based organizations working to prevent violence in our community
- **Performance Management:** Implementing efficient and effective data collection and evaluation processes to understand the collective impact of violence prevention investments



WHO WE ARE

- Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority
- Illinois Department of Human Services
- Cook County Office of the President
- Cook County Justice Advisory Council
- City of Chicago Office of the Mayor
- Chicago Department of Public Health

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