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Mr. RUSH introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Communities in Action
5 Neighborhood Defense and Opportunity Act of 2009” or
6 the “CAN DO Act of 2009”.

1 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

2 The Congress makes the following findings:

3 (1) The Department of Justice Bureau of Sta-
4 tistics reports that over 45 Americans are killed
5 daily by gun violence all across the United States.

6 (2) In 2005, gun violence killed 3,027 American
7 children and teens ages 19 and under, an average of
8 8 young people killed each day by guns in the
9 United States, a total that is the highest of any de-
10 veloped country.

11 (3) In 2005, individuals between 17 years of
12 age and 24 years of age made up 11.4 percent of
13 the population but accounted for 33.7 percent of
14 those killed by gun violence.

15 (4) In 2005, firearm homicide was the second
16 leading cause of injury death for men and women
17 between 10 years of age and 24 years of age—sec-
18 ond only to motor vehicle crashes.

19 (5) In 2005, firearm homicide was the leading
20 cause of death for black males between 15 years of
21 age and 34 years of age.

22 (6) A study of all direct and indirect costs of
23 gun violence including medical, lost wages, and secu-
24 rity costs estimates that gun violence costs the Na-
25 tion \$100 billion per year.

1 (7) The average total cost of one gun crime can
2 be as high as \$1.79 million, including medical treat-
3 ment and the prosecution and imprisonment of the
4 shooter, and at least 80 percent of the economic
5 costs of treating firearm injuries are paid for by tax-
6 payer dollars.

7 (8) In 1995, Boston’s Operation Ceasefire,
8 which entailed a problem-oriented policing approach,
9 and focused on specific crime hot spots, was estab-
10 lished as a strategy for stemming the epidemic of
11 youth gun violence in Boston, and within two years
12 the number of youth homicides dropped from 73 to
13 ten, with only one handgun-related youth homicide
14 occurring in 1999 and 2000.

15 (9) Programs targeted at entire communities,
16 such as community revitalization, after-school pro-
17 grams, and media campaigns, have been proven to
18 be more effective in reducing the general level of vio-
19 lence that children are exposed to.

20 (10) Sociologist James D. Wright suggests that
21 to convince inner-city youths not to carry guns “re-
22 quires convincing them that they can survive in their
23 neighborhood without being armed, that they can
24 come and go in peace, that being unarmed will not
25 cause them to be victimized, intimidated, or slain”.

1 **SEC. 3. ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMUNITIES IN ACTION**
2 **GRANT PROGRAM.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Attorney General, through
4 the Office of Justice Programs of the Department of Jus-
5 tice, shall establish a 5-year competitive grant program
6 (in this Act referred to as the “Grant Program”) under
7 which the Attorney General may provide grants to six
8 communities, through State attorney generals of the
9 States involved, to establish and maintain, in accordance
10 with the provisions of this Act, pilot programs for CAN
11 DO Centers (described in section 4(a)) in such commu-
12 nities to establish, administer, and coordinate each of the
13 following:

14 (1) The CAN DO Safer Streets Strategy Group
15 Program and Guns off Our Streets Program under
16 section 5.

17 (2) The CAN DO Operation Community Patrol
18 Program under section 6.

19 (3) The CAN DO Street Mentoring Program
20 under section 7.

21 (4) The CAN DO Services Providers Network
22 under section 8.

23 (b) ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible to receive a grant
24 under subsection (a)—

25 (1) A community must be a community that
26 has a population within a population size specified

1 by the Attorney General and that has an average
2 rate of gun homicides that is more than the average
3 national rate of gun homicides; and

4 (2) The executive officer of a community shall
5 submit to the Attorney General, through the State
6 attorney general of the State involved, an application
7 at such time and in such manner as specified by the
8 Attorney General, and containing at least—

9 (A) a proposal for establishing and main-
10 taining a CAN DO Center under section 4(a)
11 and each of the programs described in para-
12 graphs (1) through (4) of subsection (a), that
13 will demonstrate—

14 (i) the capacity of the community to
15 establish and maintain a CAN DO Pro-
16 gram Board described in section 4(c) and
17 the commitment of all of the members de-
18 scribed in such section to participate on
19 such board;

20 (ii) the capacity of the community to
21 provide for each of the programs described
22 in such paragraphs; and

23 (iii) the location site for each of such
24 programs;

1 (B) assurances that for each year the com-
2 munity receives the grant the executive officer
3 will submit to the Attorney General, through
4 the State attorney general of the State involved,
5 a report describing the activities for which the
6 grant funds for such year were used; and

7 (C) assurances that for each year the com-
8 munity receives the grant, the community will
9 not violate the limitation under subsection
10 (c)(3)(B).

11 (c) ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—A grant awarded under sub-
13 section (a) shall be awarded to a community through
14 the State attorney general of the State in which the
15 community is located and shall be administered to
16 such community by such State attorney general.

17 (2) PILOT PROGRAM SITES.—Grants under sub-
18 section (a) shall be awarded to six communities, 4
19 of which shall be urban communities and 2 of which
20 shall be suburban or rural communities, as selected
21 by the Attorney General.

22 (3) AMOUNT OF GRANTS.—

23 (A) IN GENERAL.—The amount of a grant
24 awarded to a community under subsection (a)
25 shall be for each year of the grant—

1 (i) in the case of an urban commu-
2 nity, \$4,000,000; and

3 (ii) in the case of a suburban or rural
4 community, \$2,000,000.

5 (B) LIMITATION.—Of the amount de-
6 scribed in subparagraph (A) awarded to a com-
7 munity under subsection (a) for a year—

8 (i) not more than \$1,000,000 may be
9 used for purposes of carrying out sections
10 5, 6, and 7; and

11 (ii) not more than \$3,500,000 may be
12 used for purposes of carrying out section
13 8.

14 (4) DURATION.—

15 (A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subpara-
16 graph (B), a grant awarded to a community
17 under subsection (a) shall be for five years.

18 (B) CONDITION FOR RECEIPT OF ANNUAL
19 FUNDS.—If, based on a report described in sub-
20 section (c)(2)(B) submitted by a community for
21 a year, the Attorney General determines that
22 the community is not in compliance with the
23 terms of the grant or the proposal submitted by
24 such community under subsection (c) the com-
25 munity shall not be eligible for a payment

1 under the grant for any subsequent year of the
2 Grant Program.

3 (d) STATE DEFINED.—For purposes of this Act, the
4 term “State” includes the 50 States and the District of
5 Columbia.

6 **SEC. 4. CAN DO CENTERS.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Each community that receives a
8 grant under subsection (a) shall establish and maintain
9 a CAN DO Center to establish, administer, and coordinate
10 each of the programs described in section 3(a) and
11 through which information about and access or referral
12 to such programs may be obtained.

13 (b) ADMINISTRATOR.—Each CAN DO Center shall
14 be administered by an administrator (in this Act referred
15 to as the “Administrator”) to be selected by the executive
16 officer of the community involved. Such Administrator
17 shall oversee the operations of the Center and the pro-
18 grams established, administered, and coordinated by the
19 Center.

20 (c) CAN DO PROGRAM BOARD.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—Each CAN DO Center shall
22 have a CAN DO Program Board to consult and ad-
23 vise the Administrator and executive officer of the
24 community involved, with respect to the programs

1 established, administered, and coordinated by the
2 Center.

3 (2) MEMBERS.—Each CAN DO Program
4 Board, with respect to a community, shall be com-
5 posed of members as follows:

6 (A) INITIAL MEMBERS.—Initial members
7 of the Board shall be appointed and selected as
8 follows:

9 (i) Ten members shall be appointed as
10 follows:

11 (I) 1 shall be a representative of
12 the executive officer's office;

13 (II) 1 shall be a representative of
14 the local court;

15 (III) 1 shall be a representative
16 of the local prosecutor's office;

17 (IV) 1 shall be a representative
18 of the local public defender's office;

19 (V) 1 shall be a representative of
20 the office of the executive officer of
21 the community;

22 (VI) 1 shall be a representative
23 of a local educational agency;

24 (VII) 1 shall be a representative
25 of a local mental health agency;

- 1 (VIII) 1 shall be a representative
- 2 of the local law enforcement agency;
- 3 (IX) 1 shall be a representative
- 4 of a local job training agency; and
- 5 (X) 1 shall be a representative of
- 6 the regional office of the Department
- 7 of Health and Human Services;
- 8 (ii) Seven members shall be selected
- 9 by the community in accordance with a
- 10 process specified by the executive officer of
- 11 the community, of whom—
- 12 (I) 1 shall be a local parent;
- 13 (II) 1 shall be a local student;
- 14 (III) 1 shall be a representative
- 15 of the local faith-based community or
- 16 clergy;
- 17 (IV) 1 shall be a representative
- 18 from a local business; and
- 19 (V) 3 shall be representatives
- 20 from a community-based nonprofit or-
- 21 ganization that works with at-risk
- 22 youth in areas of education, life skills,
- 23 job readiness, management, coun-
- 24 seling, or any other related area.

1 (B) ADDITIONAL MEMBERS.—The initial
2 members of the Board appointed and selected
3 under subparagraph (A) may by the affirmative
4 vote of two-thirds of such members select addi-
5 tional members to be included on the Board.

6 (3) MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT.—Each
7 Community in Action Advisory Board shall establish
8 a memorandum of agreement, which must be signed
9 by each member of the Board before participating
10 on such Board, that provides for the duties of each
11 member with respect to establishing, administering
12 and coordinating the programs described in section
13 3(a) and the timeframes involved in establishing, ad-
14 ministering, and coordinating such programs.

15 (4) TERMS.—

16 (A) IN GENERAL.—The terms of members
17 of each Community in Action Advisory Board
18 shall be 1 year, except as provided in subpara-
19 graph (B). There shall be no limit for the num-
20 ber of terms that such a member may serve.

21 (B) VACANCIES.—Any member appointed
22 to fill a vacancy occurring before the expiration
23 of the term for which the predecessor of the
24 member was appointed shall be appointed only
25 for the remainder of that term. A member may

1 serve after the expiration of that member’s
2 term until a successor has been appointed or se-
3 lected. A vacancy in the Commission shall be
4 filled in the manner in which the original ap-
5 pointment or selection was made.

6 (5) MEETINGS.—Each Community in Action
7 Advisory Board shall meet at least once every three
8 months.

9 **SEC. 5. CAN DO SAFER STREETS STRATEGY GROUP PRO-**
10 **GRAM.**

11 (a) STRATEGY GROUP.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—Each community that re-
13 ceives a grant under section 3(a) shall establish a
14 CAN DO Safer Streets Strategy Group (in this Act
15 to be known as the “Strategy Group” to develop a
16 coordinated community-wide intervention strategy,
17 through the coordination and knowledge of the com-
18 munity’s law enforcement and criminal justice agen-
19 cies, to deter firearm violence and homicides, includ-
20 ing such crimes committed by youth, in the commu-
21 nity.

22 (2) MEMBERS.—Each Strategy Group, with re-
23 spect to a community, shall consist of the following
24 members:

1 (A) At least one representative of the local
2 police anti-gang unit or similar local police unit.

3 (B) At least one representative from the
4 United States Attorney's office involved.

5 (C) At least one representative from the
6 State probation office and the State parole of-
7 fice involved or similar office for such State.

8 (D) At least one representative of the
9 United States Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco,
10 Firearms and Explosives.

11 (E) At least one representative of the
12 United States Drug Enforcement Administra-
13 tion.

14 (F) At least one representative of the Fed-
15 eral Bureau of Investigation.

16 (G) At least one representative of the De-
17 partment of Youth Services of the Department
18 of Health and Human Services.

19 (H) If applicable, at least one representa-
20 tive of the county district attorney's office.

21 (I) At least one representative of the Com-
22 munities in Action Street Mentoring Program
23 under section 7.

24 (J) At least one representative of the local
25 clergy.

1 (K) Representatives of any other applicable
2 community-based organization.

3 (3) SPECIFIC DUTIES.—Each Strategy Group,
4 with respect to a community, shall have the fol-
5 lowing duties:

6 (A) TRACKING GANG ACTIVITY.—The
7 Strategy Group shall geographically map the
8 areas of the community with the highest rates
9 of gun homicides and gather and coordinate in-
10 formation on the sizes of gangs in the commu-
11 nity, the areas of the community affected by the
12 activities of such gangs, and any alliances or
13 conflicts between gangs in the community.

14 (B) INFORMATION ON HIGH RISK INDIVID-
15 UALS.—The Strategy Group shall collect and
16 maintain information on individuals identified
17 by law enforcement officials as being involved in
18 multiple gun homicides and violent crimes, in-
19 cluding information on probation, parole, war-
20 rants, criminal violations committed, arrests,
21 and other information related to the criminal
22 history of such individuals.

23 (C) DETERRENCE MEETINGS.—The Strat-
24 egy Group shall meet with the following individ-
25 uals to communicate with such individuals that

1 the community has a zero tolerance policy for
2 homicides:

3 (i) Individuals identified under sub-
4 paragraph (B).

5 (ii) At-risk youth (as defined in sec-
6 tion 6(b)), through group and individual
7 meetings in schools, homes of such youth,
8 neighborhoods of such youth, courthouses,
9 and other appropriate locations.

10 (iii) Teens and youth who are on pro-
11 bation.

12 (D) ORDER MAINTENANCE AND ENFORCE-
13 MENT TACTICS.—In the case of any gun homi-
14 cide that occurs in the community, the Strategy
15 Group shall provide for, through working and
16 consultation with the appropriate law enforce-
17 ment agencies, intensive order maintenance and
18 enforcement tactics to quickly suppress poten-
19 tial resulting firearm violence in emerging vio-
20 lent hotspots in the community, as identified by
21 the Strategy Group. Such tactics may include
22 targeting individuals identified under subpara-
23 graph (B) in the community with aggressive en-
24 forcement of penalties for motor vehicle viola-
25 tions, outstanding arrests, public drinking and

1 disorderly conduct, loitering, probation and pa-
2 role violations, breaking curfew, child support
3 arrears, and other criminal violations.

4 (E) ADDITIONAL SERVICES.—The Strategy
5 Group shall inform individuals in the commu-
6 nity about services provided by the community,
7 specifically services provided or coordinated by
8 the Communities in Action Center of the com-
9 munity, including job training and placement
10 services, drug treatment services, tutoring serv-
11 ices for General Education Development (GED)
12 testing, psychological and mental health serv-
13 ices, and conflict mediation and resolution serv-
14 ices.

15 (F) GUNS OFF OUR STREETS PROGRAM.—
16 The Strategy Group shall oversee the Guns off
17 Our Streets Program under subsection (b) for
18 the community and shall—

19 (i) flag for investigation each firearms
20 trace conducted under such program that
21 shows guns used or found in high-risk
22 neighborhoods of the community, as identi-
23 fied by the Strategy Group, and guns that
24 are associated with gang members in the
25 community; and

1 (ii) establish and maintain a database
2 or other data collection that compares
3 trace data determined through the pro-
4 gram, as described in subsection (b)(2),
5 and data on individuals collected or main-
6 tained by the Strategy Group under sub-
7 paragraph (B) on individuals described in
8 such subparagraph.

9 (b) GUNS OFF OUR STREETS PROGRAM.—Each com-
10 munity that receives a grant under section 3(a) shall pro-
11 vide for a Guns off Our Streets Program under which—

12 (1) the local law enforcement agencies work to-
13 gether with the district attorney’s office involved
14 and, as appropriate, in consultation with the United
15 States Attorney’s office involved and the Bureau of
16 Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, to in-
17 vestigate firearm trafficking in the community and
18 crime committed by repeat criminal offenders in the
19 community;

20 (2) the local law enforcement agencies shall
21 submit to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms,
22 and Explosives information necessary for the Bureau
23 to trace through the Bureau’s National Tracing
24 Center each gun recovered by such agencies to dis-
25 cover sources of illegal weapons and firearms-traf-

1 ficking patterns in the community and the Bureau
2 shall conduct such traces;

3 (3) the local law enforcement agencies and the
4 Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explo-
5 sives will work in collaboration to ensure all Federal
6 firearms licenses issued in the community are in
7 compliance with Federal laws; and

8 (4) the local law enforcement agencies shall at-
9 tempt to gather information on the firearms market
10 from criminal offenders in the community.

11 (c) DOJ ASSISTANCE.—Upon request of the Strategy
12 Group, the Attorney General may detail, on a reimburs-
13 able basis, the appropriate personnel of the Department
14 of Justice to the Strategy Group to assist it in carrying
15 out its duties under this section.

16 **SEC. 6. CAN DO OPERATION COMMUNITY PATROL PRO-**
17 **GRAM.**

18 (a) IN GENERAL.—Each community that receives a
19 grant under section 3(a) shall establish and carry out a
20 CAN DO Operation Community Patrol Program (in this
21 section referred to as the “Community Patrol Program”),
22 under which probation officers of the District Court in-
23 volved shall jointly work with law enforcement officers
24 from the anti-gang violence unit of the local law enforce-
25 ment agency involved (or similar unit) to identify and

1 monitor gang members and other at-risk youth in the com-
2 munity and to carry out the following activities, with re-
3 spect to such members and youth:

4 (1) PATROL ORGANIZATION STRATEGY.—Such
5 individuals and entities shall develop and carry out
6 a patrol organization strategy, including the assign-
7 ment of local law enforcement officers of the com-
8 munity to specific areas of the community to become
9 familiar with such area, criminal activity involved in
10 such area, and develop approaches to reduce violent
11 crime in such area in cooperation with residents of
12 the area.

13 (2) AT-RISK YOUTH VISITS.—Probation officers
14 shall select gang members and at-risk youth for such
15 officers to visit, based on whether or not such mem-
16 ber or youth has defaulted on the terms of the mem-
17 ber or youth's probation or parole, and shall visit
18 such members and youth on a rotational basis.

19 (3) UNANNOUNCED VISITS.—Probation officers
20 and local law enforcement officers shall make unan-
21 nounced visits to homes, schools, and workplaces of
22 gang members and other at-risk youth to ensure
23 that such youths are complying with the terms of
24 their probation or parole, including curfews, geo-

1 graphical restrictions, and restricted associations, as
2 applicable.

3 (4) ENFORCEMENT OF PROBATION AND PAROLE
4 TERMS.—Such officers shall enforce all terms of the
5 probation or parole of each identified gang member
6 and other at-risk youth.

7 (5) COMMUNITY OUTREACH TRAINING.—A rep-
8 resentative from the National Organization of Black
9 Law Enforcement Executives (or similar certified
10 entity) shall train such officers in community out-
11 reach and appropriate sensitivity training in order to
12 enhance cooperation and collaboration between such
13 officers and the community.

14 (6) COMMUNITY OUTREACH.—Such officers
15 shall conduct outreach to residents of the community
16 to identify and address neighborhood concerns. To
17 further such purposes, such officers shall attempt to
18 meet with members of the community in a
19 nonconfrontational, courteous, and professional man-
20 ner in accordance with community law enforcement
21 roles, to establish good relations with members of
22 the community.

23 (7) INFORMATION ABOUT SERVICES AVAIL-
24 ABILITY.—Such officers shall inform members of the
25 community of the services coordinated by or pro-

1 vided for by the Communities in Action Center of
2 the community that are available to gang members
3 and other at-risk youth and their families, including
4 substance abuse prevention and treatment services,
5 mental health and psychological counseling services,
6 job training services, and educational and rec-
7 reational opportunities.

8 (b) AT-RISK YOUTH DEFINED.—For purposes of this
9 Act, the term “at-risk youth” means teens and other
10 youth who are exposed to high levels of crime, sex, drug
11 abuse, gangs, or other risky behavior in daily reactions
12 with their family, their school, or communities in high
13 crime areas.

14 **SEC. 7. CAN DO STREET MENTORING PROGRAM.**

15 (a) IN GENERAL.—Each community that receives a
16 grant under section 3(a) shall establish and maintain a
17 CAN DO Street Mentoring Program (referred to in this
18 section as the “Street Mentoring Program”) under which
19 members of the community shall serve as street mentors
20 who act as liaisons between the law enforcement agencies
21 of the community and other appropriate entities and the
22 members of the community who are gang members or
23 other at-risk youth (as defined in section 6(b)), in accord-
24 ance with this section.

1 (b) LOCATION AND AVAILABILITY OF STREET MEN-
2 TORING PROGRAM SERVICES.—Services provided through
3 the Street Mentoring Program of a community shall be
4 carried out at a Street Mentoring Program center that
5 is centrally located in the community. Such services may
6 also be made available through schools, churches, commu-
7 nity agencies, local colleges and universities. Services pro-
8 vided at such center shall be provided in such a manner
9 that staff members will be available 24 hours a day to
10 conduct gang and youth outreach.

11 (c) STREET MENTORS.—

12 (1) ELIGIBILITY.—Street mentors shall be
13 members of the community involved who are at least
14 18 years of age.

15 (2) DUTIES.—Street mentors, with respect to a
16 community, shall perform the following duties:

17 (A) Work closely with gang members in
18 the community to mediate disputes and gang
19 truces in schools and throughout the commu-
20 nity.

21 (B) Assist gang members and their fami-
22 lies to gain access to social services available in
23 the community, especially such services made
24 available by the Communities in Action Center
25 of the community.

1 (C) Be assigned to active street mentoring
2 cases.

3 (D) Work closely with the local law en-
4 forcement agencies, probation agencies, clergy,
5 courts, schools, and health and mental health
6 agencies and providers.

7 (E) Provide a critical non-traditional com-
8 munity outreach approach to help reduce crime.

9 (F) Invite gang members in the community
10 to meetings described in section 5(a)(3) with
11 Federal, State, and local law enforcement agen-
12 cies.

13 (G) Inform gang members in the commu-
14 nity of the consequences of continued violence.

15 (H) Refer at-risk youth and their families
16 to the CAN DO Center established under sec-
17 tion 4(a), or directly to the appropriate service
18 administered by such center, as appropriate, to
19 receive information about and access to drug
20 prevention and treatment services, mental
21 health and psychological services, job training
22 and employment services, and educational and
23 recreational opportunities provided by the CAN
24 DO Services Providers Network under section
25 8.

1 (I) Provide training for the Strategy
2 Group under section 5 on ways to develop effec-
3 tive relationships with at-risk youth and gangs.

4 **SEC. 8. CAN DO SERVICES PROVIDERS NETWORK.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Each community that receives a
6 grant under section 3(a) shall establish and maintain a
7 CAN DO Services Providers Network (in this section re-
8 ferred to as the “Providers Network” that provides the
9 community with the mental health services network under
10 subsection (b), the summer of opportunity job training
11 and placement program under subsection (c), and the edu-
12 cational and recreational alternatives to violence program
13 under subsection (d). The central location for information
14 about access to services and programs provided for by the
15 Providers Network shall be the CAN DO Center for the
16 community established under section 4(a).

17 (b) MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES NETWORK.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—The mental health services
19 network under this subsection is a comprehensive
20 network of mental health prevention and interven-
21 tion services and family support services to improve
22 and expand the access of gang members and other
23 at-risk youth (as defined in section 6(b)) and the
24 families of such members and youth who reside in
25 the community to such services, which shall include

1 the services and programs described in paragraph
2 (2). The CAN DO Program Board of the commu-
3 nity, established under section 4(c), shall enter into
4 agreements with local educational agencies, insti-
5 tutes of higher education, community-based centers,
6 State agencies, faith-based organizations, and pri-
7 vate nonprofit mental health, mentoring, and psy-
8 chological counseling agencies, as appropriate, to co-
9 ordinate and provide such services and programs.

10 (2) SERVICES AND PROGRAMS.—The services
11 and programs described in this paragraph, with re-
12 spect to a community, include the following:

13 (A) Community outreach and education to
14 inform the community about the availability of
15 services and activities under this subsection.

16 (B) Training and professional development
17 services for law enforcement personnel, edu-
18 cational personnel, and other appropriate per-
19 sonnel who work with at-risk youth.

20 (C) Family and community programs to
21 prevent and reduce the participation of juve-
22 niles in gangs.

23 (D) Treatment programs for gang mem-
24 bers and other at-risk youth who are victims of

1 child abuse or neglect and for the families of
2 such youth.

3 (E) Mentoring programs for gang mem-
4 bers and other at-risk youth.

5 (F) Mental health services that are avail-
6 able 24-hours a day and 7 days a week to gang
7 members and at-risk youth in the community.

8 (G) Community outreach and education
9 about the programs available under the CAN
10 DO Services Providers Network for gang mem-
11 bers and other at-risk youth and their families.

12 (H) Family-based, school-based, and com-
13 munity-based anti-violence and anti-drug pro-
14 grams to educate youth and their families about
15 the dangers of violence and drugs.

16 (I) Drug treatment programs and dem-
17 onstration programs to reduce the use of alco-
18 hol and other drugs.

19 (J) Partnerships between the CAN DO
20 Program Board and local educational agencies
21 to improve school-based mental health pro-
22 motion, prevention, and intervention services
23 and to hire student service providers as needed,
24 including school counselors, school psycholo-
25 gists, or other qualified psychologists, child or

1 adolescent psychiatrists, and school social work-
2 ers insofar as such additional personnel are to
3 support the goal of increasing the availability of
4 mental health services in the school involved.

5 (K) A peer support counseling program.

6 (L) Partnerships between a State, county,
7 or local mental health authority and one or
8 more local public or private entities to provide
9 violence-prevention education, mentoring, coun-
10 seling, and mental health services to gang mem-
11 bers and other at-risk youth in the community.

12 (M) Community-based efforts to coordinate
13 educational, developmental, family, health, and
14 other comprehensive services through commu-
15 nity-based organizations and public and private
16 partnerships.

17 (N) Partnerships between the CAN DO
18 Program Board and psychology departments
19 that can provide promotion, prevention, and
20 intervention services related to the reduction of
21 community gun violence, including through doc-
22 toral training programs.

23 (c) SUMMER OF OPPORTUNITY JOB TRAINING AND
24 PLACEMENT PROGRAM.—The summer of opportunity job
25 training and placement program under this subsection is

1 a program, with respect to a community that receives a
2 grant under section 3(a), under which the CAN DO Pro-
3 gram Board of the community, established under section
4 4(c) shall—

5 (1) implement a program that will be available
6 to youth in the community any time after school, on
7 the weekend, or during the summer, which will pay
8 such youth stipends in exchange for working in com-
9 munity-based jobs to improve the community as an
10 alternative to participating in gang activities, drug
11 activities, and violence;

12 (2) create a community office of public works
13 and jobs in partnership, as appropriate, with faith-
14 based organizations, schools, local businesses and
15 corporations, neighborhood programs, local colleges
16 and universities, and other community-based organi-
17 zations in order to assist individuals in the commu-
18 nity to find community-based employment or entry
19 level jobs, including jobs in tutoring, mentoring, jobs
20 in renewal energy, neighborhood beautification, com-
21 munity gardening, tree planting, cleaning vacant
22 properties and lots, community service, construction,
23 entry level local government jobs, typing, filing, an-
24 swering telephones, and data entry;

1 (3) enter into agreements with local businesses
2 and corporations to offer job training, internships,
3 apprenticeships, and employment opportunities to in-
4 dividuals in the community; and

5 (4) enter into agreements with State and local
6 agencies, faith-based organizations, community-
7 based agencies, schools, and local colleges to offer
8 offender reintegration projects and employment pro-
9 grams for gang members and other at-risk youth to
10 reduce recidivism and promote long-term employ-
11 ability.

12 (d) EDUCATIONAL AND RECREATIONAL ALTER-
13 NATIVES TO VIOLENCE PROGRAM.—The educational and
14 recreational alternatives to violence program under this
15 subsection, with respect to a community that receives a
16 grant under section 3(a), is a program that provides year-
17 round after-school and weekend educational and rec-
18 reational activities, either at or through the CAN DO Cen-
19 ter for the community established under section 4(a), for
20 youth in the community through partnerships with local
21 government agencies, churches and faith-based organiza-
22 tions, schools, local colleges and universities, museums,
23 galleries, and community-based organizations, as applica-
24 ble. Such educational and recreational services shall in-

1 clude as many of the following, as practicable, for mem-
2 bers of the community:

3 (1) Parenting education classes.

4 (2) Mentoring and tutoring programs.

5 (3) General Education Development (GED)
6 testing tutoring programs.

7 (4) Computer rooms to provide access to com-
8 puters for members of the community.

9 (5) College counseling and tours.

10 (6) Organized youth sports leagues.

11 (7) Martial arts and self defense classes.

12 (8) Nutrition programs.

13 (9) Music and dance classes.

14 (10) Art and theater programs.

15 (11) Field trips to local businesses and corpora-
16 tions, museums, galleries, and other recreational lo-
17 cations.

18 **SEC. 9. EVALUATION AND REPORT.**

19 Not later than 60 days after the last day of the 5-
20 year grant program established under section 3(a), the At-
21 torney General shall submit to Congress a report on the
22 grant program that includes an evaluation of the effective-
23 ness of each of the pilot programs conducted under such
24 grant program in reducing gun violence in the community
25 and recommendations for improving the program and

1 whether or not to continue or expand the program. Such
2 report shall include, for each community that received a
3 grant under the grant program, a comparison of the aver-
4 age rate of occurrence of gun homicides for such commu-
5 nity during the 5-year period immediately before the re-
6 ceipt of such grant and the average rate of such occur-
7 rence for such community during the 5-year period of the
8 grant program.

9 **SEC. 10. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

10 There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out
11 this Act \$20,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 2010
12 through 2014.

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