

2014 NIJ DNA Backlog Reduction Program Grant

The County of Greenville operates one forensic science laboratory under the Greenville County-Department of Public Safety (GC-DPS). The County of Greenville designates the GC-DPS as the agency responsible for conducting DNA analysis on DNA samples collected from all casework requested by the Greenville County Sheriff's Office and the Greenville City Police Department. The GC-DPS forensic DNA Laboratory began receiving and processing forensic biology/DNA cases from the two agencies listed above after the accreditation date of March 16, 2011.

The County of Greenville's current budgetary constraints prevents the GC-DPS forensic DNA Laboratory from offering free services to neighboring counties and municipalities in the upstate region of South Carolina. Although a fee-for-service is available to these agencies, their budgetary constraints have hindered them from using the GC-DPS forensic DNA Laboratory. The Federal funding from this award will be used for the following goals:

1. Expand services to regional upstate SC agencies at a no-cost basis, increasing overall capacity of GC-DPS forensic DNA Laboratory with forensic biology/DNA cases from regional agencies.
2. Reduce the backlog of forensic biology/DNA cases.
3. Provide required continuing education for analysts when needed.

The GC-DPS forensic DNA Laboratory expects to analyze at least 97 forensic biology and DNA cases with Overtime and Supply funds over the award period. The agency also expects to increase the capacity of each analyst to at least 25 samples per month.

Budget Category	Amount
A. Personnel	\$46,869.00
B. Fringe Benefits	\$12,504.65
C. Travel	\$1,870.00
D. Equipment	\$0.00
E. Supplies	\$37,761.35
F. Construction	\$0.00
G. Consultants/Contracts	\$0.00
H. Other	\$995.00
Total Direct Costs	\$100,000.00
I. Indirect Costs	\$0.00
 TOTAL PROJECT COSTS	 \$100,000.00
 Federal Request	 \$100,000.00
Non-Federal Amount	\$0.00