

## NJ TO RECEIVE JUVENILE ACT FUNDS

The State of New Jersey is eligible to receive \$261,000 from the \$25 million supplemental appropriation signed by President Ford on June 12, 1975 for the implementation of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (JJDP) Act of 1974. While the \$25 million allocation was an initial appropriation, future fundings are expected to further implement the provisions of the comprehensive JJDP Act.

According to the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration, the State is entitled to receive \$200,000 of the \$10.6 million set aside in formula grant funds and another \$61,000 of the \$2 million reserved for special emphasis grant funds. The special emphasis grants are for building a planning and administration capacity to implement the provisions of the Act and the formula money is for planning (up to 15%) and action programs for the Act.

Before the President had signed the initial appropriation bill, SLEPA—the State's criminal justice planning agency—had made several structural changes in order to conform to the requirements of the Act. Four community representatives with interest and experience in juvenile programs were added to the Governing Board and last year the Agency reorganized the Operations Division's Prevention Section to establish a Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Section.

The new section is designed to bring about the coordination of services to youths in danger of becoming delinquent. Headed by Bernice L. Manshel, it is focusing on the development of an overall program which will result in significant improvements in the juvenile justice system.

SLEPA is expected to submit a formal application for the JJDP Act money prior to the August 1, 1975

### Common Concerns Explored At Group Home Conference



**Group Home Directors—as they discuss aspects of their programs at SLEPA called conference.**

Staffing, funding, client education and other operational aspects of Group Homes were discussed at a May 20, 1975 conference of Board and staff members of SLEPA funded Group Home programs. The one-day meeting to share common concerns and to assist in the development of more effective programs was convened by Bernice L. Manshel, SLEPA chief of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention section.

Ms. Manshel opened the conference and gave an overview of the purpose and development of group homes in New Jersey. She described the 14 Agency funded homes as being designed to maintain a small, home-like setting for about ten adolescent juveniles who cannot remain in their natural home or in the traditional foster home. While placements are usually made by the Division of Youth and Family Services, the residents are supervised by house parents. The youngsters attend local schools, receive social work services and they make use of other community services.

deadline. The awards by LEAA are expected to be announced in the beginning of September this year.

While many participants contributed to the discussion of their day-to-day operational problems, extended presentations were made by two SLEPA grantees—Ms. Grace Sisto of Woodlea and Eastlea and the Reverend Richard J. Garcia of Two Worlds.

Ms. Sisto, director of a home for girls in Ridgewood and a boys' home in East Orange said that her attempts to resolve an insufficient staff problem was partially rectified by using volunteers. Members of the Junior League were used to develop an after-care program for the youth who are ready to leave the program.

While the youth "want to do for themselves," Ms. Sisto explained, members of the League help them find and furnish their own apartments. The director informed the conferees that her program will also utilize skilled parents who will be paid for their services.

The two program directors gave contrasting views of how their local school districts accepted the responsibility of educating the group home resident. On one hand, Rev. Garcia reported that the Plainfield educational officials have been "extremely cooperative." Ms.

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## NEW JERSEY PROJECTS APPROVED FOR 1973, 1974 AND 1975 FUNDS.

GRANT NO.	APPLICANT/IMPLEMENTING AGENCY	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
A-209-73	Administrative Office of the Courts	Municipal Court Judges Orientation Seminar	\$ 5,403
A-210-73	Middlesex County/Criminal Justice Planning Office	Juvenile Conference Committee Training Program	815
A-211-73	Morris County/Court Intake Service	Juvenile Conference Committee Training Program	631
A-212-73	Dept. of Law & Public Safety/Division of Criminal Justice	State Police Legal Advisory Unit	25,000
TOTAL			\$ 31,849
E-20-73	Administrative Office of the Courts	Probation Staff Coordinators for Volunteer & Division Services	\$ 22,539
TOTAL			\$ 22,539

### 1974 FUNDS

A-191-74	Monmouth County/County Court System	Criminal Information System	\$ 47,392
A-192-74	Dept. of Law & Public Safety/Division of State Police	Chiefs of Police Management Seminar	14,763
A-193-74	Administrative Office of the Courts	Institute for Court Management	9,360
A-194-74	Atlantic County/Harborfields	Professional Staffing for Harborfields	40,000
A-195-74	Essex County/Victory House, Inc.	Residential Treatment Center for Boys	87,100
A-196-74	Essex County/Sheriff's Department	Essex County Jail Library Project	3,000
A-197-74	Jersey City/Dept. of Human Resources	Jersey City Juvenile Diversion Project	174,586
A-198-74	Middletown Township/Youth Service Bureau	SPARTA—Special Projects Aimed at Re-motivating Teen-agers	37,800
A-199-74	Newark/Police Department	Bilingual Telephone Communication Aide	52,328
A-200-74	New Brunswick/Dept. of Social Services	Community Youth Service Center	65,195
A-201-74	Orange/Office of Juvenile Services	Orange Youth Service Bureau	79,987
A-202-74	Sussex County/Board of Freeholders	The Labyrinth	51,272
A-203-74	Union County/Two Worlds, Inc.	Renaissance House—Group Foster Home	15,000
A-204-74	Union County/George Herlich Juvenile Quarters	Union County Remedial Education Program	6,055
A-205-74	Weekhawken Township/Police Department	Improvement of Police Services to Juveniles	9,900
A-206-74	Administrative Office of the Courts	Nat'l. College of the State Judiciary/ Institute for Juvenile Justice	35,454
A-207-74	Dept. of Law & Public Safety/Division of State Police	Sex Crime Analysis & Investigation Training Program	11,685
A-208-74	Dept. of Law & Public Safety/Division of Criminal Justice	Centralized Handling of all Criminal Appeals for the State	100,237
A-209-74	Dept. of Law & Public Safety/Division of State Police	Expansion of the State Police Legal Advisory Unit	25,000
A-210-74	Dept. of Law & Public Safety/Division of Criminal Justice	Professional Drug Abuse Project	20,000
A-211-74	Union County/George Herlich Juvenile Quarters	Regional Juvenile Detention Supervisors Training Program	14,151
A-212-74	Administrative Office of the Courts	Assistant Trial Court Administrators	152,394
A-213-74	Passaic County/Office of the Court Administrators	Automated Criminal Case Processing System	22,738
A-214-74	William Paterson College/Public Safety Administration Institute	Criminal Justice Baccalaureate Degree Program	24,850
A-215-74	Asbury Park/Children's Psychiatric Center	Asbury Park Youth Service	71,804
A-216-74	Essex County/CIRS, Inc.	Essex County Service Delivery Project	185,003
A-217-74	Gloucester County/Robin's Nest, Inc.	Residential Foster Home for Girls	15,000
A-218-74	Passaic City/Youth Services Bureau	Passaic Youth Services Bureau	102,952
A-219-74	Passaic County/Paterson YMCA	Paterson YMCA-Group Foster Home	15,000
A-220-74	Salem County/Dept. of Community Development	Rehabilitation & Counseling Services, Salem Jail	32,123
TOTAL			\$1,522,129

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# NEWS NOTES ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Ms. Alice Cartwright has been appointed to the position of New Jersey Representative for the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration following the appointment of former state representative David Powell to the position of Acting Director of Operations, LEAA Region II.

The new state representative was formerly a manpower development specialist and the Region II representative to the Federal Regional Council. She is a six year veteran of Federal service having served three years with LEAA.

A native of New York City, Ms. Cartwright aims to maintain the existing good relations between LEAA and New Jersey and hopes to encourage Region II specialists to provide continued technical assistance for New Jersey in the Block Grant Program.

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Ms. Bernice L. Manshel, chief of SLEPA's Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention section, was the guest speaker at the third recognition dinner for volunteer counselors of the Union County Probation Department. The subject of her speech was "The Role of the Citizen in the Criminal Justice System."

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Rutgers University's School of Criminal Justice will hold the first of three training seminars for local criminal justice planners on September 8-12, 1975. The seminars, funded by a \$30,000 discretionary grant from LEAA to SLEPA, are designed to increase the planners skill and knowledge in relating the principles of planning to the formulation of strategies for comprehensive criminal justice planning. Two additional training seminars for state agency and police planners will be held at a later date.

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The Newark Housing Authority was awarded a \$1,055,735 discretionary grant to employ 100 guards without powers of arrest to maintain a 24-hour security patrol in the city's public housing areas. The award is part of Newark's High Impact Anticrime Program and aims to reduce crime and increase security for public housing residents.

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East Orange Councilman Robert M. Moran has been appointed to the Research and Development Task Force by LEAA Administrator Richard W. Velde. The task force will work to set standards and goals in the area of Research and Development for criminal justice agencies. Moran's position is advisory although the task force is supported by a full-time staff. Its recommendations are expected to be published next year.

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On June 13, 1975 Ulric A. Brandt, SLEPA chief of Adult Corrections & Rehabilitation section, was the keynote speaker for the Officers Training School's graduation exercises. Brandt told the graduating class to continue their education because of the increasing need for a new breed of correctional officers in the trend to revitalize the rehabilitative system.

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Former Massachusetts Gov. Francis W. Sargent has been elected chairman of the Police Foundation board of directors. Sargent, an architect, is currently a fellow at the Institute of Politics at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. He succeeds former Atlanta Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr., who was chairman for five years.

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The May, 1975 FORTUNE NEWS ROUNDUP—a publication of The Fortune Society—reports that a new inmate theatre group is being formed in Trenton State Prison called Prisoners Rhetoric Theatre. Outsiders who can provide theatrical insight are being sought. Interested persons should contact Howard Gibbs, Drawer N, Trenton, N.J. 08625.

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The Essex County (NJ) Prosecutor's Office was awarded a \$251,764 discretionary grant from the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration (LEAA) to continue its Organized Crime Strike Force and to further develop the strike force's intelligence unit and intensive training for its personnel in its investigation and prosecution functions.

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New Jersey's Department of Law and Public Safety was awarded a \$180,000 grant by LEAA to plan and coordinate law enforcement resources in connection with the bicentennial celebration. The grant, which will be conducted by the Division of State Police, will support the coordination of police communications and special manpower resources through the Law Enforcement Bicentennial Committee. Its focus will be to ensure the orderly conduct of bicentennial special events.

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The New Jersey State Law Enforcement Planning Agency has recently added four new staff members to its Standards and Goals Unit. Designed to formulate standards and goals that will improve the quality of services in the state's criminal justice system, the program was funded by a discretionary grant from the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration.

Prior to the arrival of the new personnel, the standards and goals effort was being outlined by Edward P. Strapp, project director, and Martha A. Lackey, principal research analyst. In June the two SLEPA employees were joined by Curtiss Woods and Gayle Lewis, principal project specialists; Lucinda Jennings, research assistant; and Diane Zola, secretary.

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Alvin Beveridge, principal program analyst in SLEPA's Police Section, was named to "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges" for 1974-1975. Beveridge, who received an Associate of Arts in Law Enforcement and a Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies from Rider College, is now enrolled in a masters degree program at John Jay College of Criminal Justice. The Who's Who award is conferred annually upon outstanding student leaders.

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Congratulations from Governor Brendan T. Byrne were sent to Donald C. McMeans, Director of Community Services for the New Jersey Public Broadcasting, for an excellent program on communicating the work of the inmates' committee at Rahway State Prison.

## PROJECTS APPROVED FOR 1974 AND 1975 FUNDS

GRANT NO.	APPLICANT/IMPLEMENTING AGENCY	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
E-26-74	Dept. of Institutions & Agencies/Garden State School District	Project LEARNED	\$ 62,962
E-27-74	Dept. of Institutions & Agencies/Division of Correction & Parole	Refinement of Correctional Information Systems	126,163
E-28-74	Dept. of Institutions & Agencies/Division of Correction & Parole	County Sheriff & Correction Officers School	63,000
E-29-74	Dept. of Institutions & Agencies/Division of Correction & Parole	Special Offender Groups Treatment Programs	264,662
TOTAL			\$ 516,787

### 1975 FUNDS

A-7-75	Dept. of Law & Public Safety/Division of Systems & Communications	Statewide Communications & Information System	\$ 500,000
A-8-75	Bergen County/Office of Narcotics Program Coordinator	Bergen County Ambulatory Methadone Maintenance Program	37,130
A-9-75	Burlington County/Probation Department	Volunteer Probation Counselor Program	33,611
A-10-75	City of Camden/Dept. of Public Safety	Camden City Police Crime Prevention Unit	14,868
A-11-75	Cape May County/Operation Junction	Cape May County Drug Abuse Council	75,060
A-12-75	Clifton/Police Department	Senior & Junior High School Resource Officers	17,516
A-13-75	Edison Township/Police Department	Youth Services Project	38,000
A-14-75	Elizabeth/Police Department	Establishment of a Crime Prevention Unit	15,038
A-15-75	Englewood/Police Department	Police Youth Services	21,468
A-16-75	Hopewell Township/Police Department	Total Response Through Portable/Mobile Communications	45,900
A-17-75	Jersey City/Police Department	Crime Prevention Program	15,000
A-18-75	Kearny/Police Department	Improvement of Police Services to Juveniles	40,476
A-19-75	Mantua Township on behalf of 7 additional municipalities/Police Department	Mantua Regional Communications Center	79,473
A-20-75	Phillipsburg/Dept. of Public Safety	Juvenile Aid Service	20,970
A-21-75	Plainfield/Police Division	Police Information System	20,000
A-22-75	South Plainfield/Police Department	Crime Prevention Bureau	14,641
A-23-75	Trenton/Police Department	Crime Prevention Unit	12,500
A-24-75	Trenton/Police Department	Police Computer Application	20,000
A-25-75	Union City/Youth Service Bureau	North Hudson Youth Service Bureau	123,764
A-26-75	City of Vineland on behalf of Cumberland County Prosecutor's Office/Police Department	Narcotics & Special Investigation Unit	15,000
A-27-75	Wayne Township/Police Department	Wayne Area Narcotics Enforcement Program	25,000
A-28-75	Woodbridge Township/Police Department	Improvement of Police Services to Juveniles	57,775
A-29-75	Dept. of Institutions & Agencies/Division of Youth & Family Services	Residential Treatment Program Development Project	75,000
A-30-75	Dept. of Law & Public Safety/Division of State Police	Expanded Arson Unit	99,990
A-31-75	Dept. of Institutions & Agencies/Neuro-psychiatric Institute	Training in Self Control Techniques for Corrections Personnel & Inmates	37,100
A-32-75	Rutgers University/Graduate School of Social Work	Training Project in Juvenile Delinquency & Corrections	28,758
A-33-75	Livingston Twp./North Essex Development & Action Council	Youth Service Bureaus, Livingston, Montclair, Verona, Glen Ridge	96,328
A-34-75	Newark/Unified Vailsburg Services Board	Unified Vailsburg Services Organization	95,000
A-35-75	Atlantic City/Dept. of Public Safety	Community Security Project	15,000
A-36-75	Atlantic County/Prosecutor's Office	Narcotic-Organized Crime and Intelligence Unit	50,000
A-37-75	Bergen County/Probation Department	Bergen County Pre-Trial Intervention	105,000
A-38-75	Camden City/Dept. of Public Safety	Senior Citizens Housing Guards	97,956
A-39-75	Camden County/Control Dispatching Unit	Central Control Dispatch Center	85,000
A-40-75	Camden County/Prosecutor's Office	Organized Crime-Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Specialized Task Force	75,000
A-41-75	Camden County/Prosecutor's Office	Police Legal Advisor	25,000
A-42-75	Cape May County/Prosecutor's Office	Cape May County Regionalized Narcotics Strike Force	25,000

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# New SLEPA Board Members Appointed

Governor Brendan T. Byrne recently expanded the Governing Board of the New Jersey State Law Enforcement Planning Agency to 21 members with the appointment of four new community representatives with interest and experience in juvenile programs. The new appointments will provide a larger number of Board members who are not public officials.

According to the Juvenile Justice Act of 1974 the Agency's Board composition should be representative of law enforcement and criminal justice agencies including units of local government, public agencies, and "shall include representatives of citizens, professional,

and community organizations including organizations directly related to delinquency prevention."

The new board members and their affiliations are as follows:

Dr. Lawrence N. Houston is Chairman of the Department of African and Afro-American Studies, and an Associate Professor in the Psychology Department of Douglass College, Rutgers-The State University. Formerly the psychologist for Annandale Reformatory, Dr. Houston has also served as consultant to the Boys Residential Group Center in Trenton.

Alicia M. Nettles, a Puerto Rican

American, is a social caseworker with the Mercer County Welfare Board. She is a former staff member of the Trenton Neighborhood Health Center.

Margaret H. Perryman is the director of a SLEPA funded Youth Service Bureau in Atlantic City. She also has experience in the field of mental health, corrections and juvenile services.

Dr. Arthur Santucci is on the faculty and the Director of the Psychology Program at Seton Hall University. He has served as a consultant in the development of youth service programs and in the training of social service professionals and para-professionals.

## Group Homes Meeting

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Sisto, however, reported that although East Orange would like to be helpful, it won't accept youth who are not legal residents of the city.

The Two Worlds Director stated that his Agency began its youth service activities similar to a Big Brother program in 1968. Two Worlds later gravitated toward the Group Home concept of service

and received its first resident in June 1973.

Rev. Garcia said that at this point Two Worlds' biggest problem is staffing. With a total staff budget of \$13,000 it is impossible to keep substantial house parents, he said. During the tooling up stages, he continued, "the program went through five sets of house parents."

An exchange of information regarding the problem areas discussed revealed that the Group

Home residents could receive additional social and medical services through the use of community resources, Medicaid and the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare Title 4A funding. Robert Nicholas of the N.J. Department of Youth and Family Services also informed the group that in many cases the homes are eligible to receive "exceptional funding" to cover the costs of education where there is a conflict or dispute over which school district is responsible to assume the costs.

At the end of the conference the participants were pleased with the exchange of information and they discussed holding another meeting specifically on education. Areas to be discussed are how to work with local school districts, what alternate forms of education are available and how to make the maximum use of the state's available educational resources.

Attending the conference were Rev. Garcia and Edward Fritzen of Two Worlds, Suzanne Brelsford of Barrett House, Ms. Sisto, Paula Rosenblum and Doris Quarles of Teaneck Group Care Home, Thomas W. Eadie and Edward Bradley of the Paterson YMCA Group Home. Joan Hickey of Hammond House for Girls, Katherine Merck of Plain House, Mary Carey of Robins Nest and Roberta Ruliffson and Angela Carter of Laurel House were also in attendance.

## A New Crime Fighting Tool For Atlantic County Police

Police officers in Atlantic County now have a wide variety of on-the-scene crime fighting equipment to aid in the solution of any major crime. Through the efforts of a donated van, a \$13,500 grant and County labor, the Atlantic County Prosecutor's office introduced a new crime fighting tool—a mobile crime scene search unit.

The unit is equipped with its own generator, spotlights, and a two-way radio system. Other equipment in the on-the-scene crime search unit are cameras and lenses, blood detection kit, gunpowder particle kit, sketch kits, latent print kit, post-mortem kit, toolmark kit and a number restoration kit.

According to prosecutor Richard J. Williams, "many apparently insignificant items such as microscopic fragments, debris, and inconspicuous materials may contribute to the solution of a crime. The proper collection of these materials is a scientific task requiring specialized equipment and personnel."

The prosecutor said, "We now have this capability on the street when and where a major crime occurs." The unit is available to all police agencies in the County on a 24 hour basis.

The van was donated to the County by Sears, Roebuck and Company; the special equipment grant was made by SLEPA, and the vehicle modification was coordinated by County maintenance supervisor Earl Potter.

GRANT NO.	APPLICANT/IMPLEMENTING AGENCY	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
A-43-75	Dover Township on behalf of additional municipalities/Police Department	"TOMS RIVER" — Total Operational Management Systems Regionalized Input Visually Executing Resources	99,495
A-44-75	Hudson County/Prosecutor's Office	Organized Crime Task Force	74,995
A-45-75	Hudson County/Probation Department	Volunteer Probation Program	11,966
A-46-75	Hunterdon County/Communications Division	County Communications Consolidation	120,879
A-47-75	Jersey City/Police Department	Improvement of Police Communications	89,325
A-48-75	Keansburg Boro/Police Dept.	Police Services to Juveniles	15,606
A-49-75	Long Branch/Police Dept.	Grid and Sector Response	40,284
A-50-75	Lyndhurst Twp./Police Department	Communication & Status System to Reduce Response Time	44,824
A-51-75	Mercer County/Prosecutor's Office	Mercer County-Trenton Organized Crime Task Force	75,000
A-52-75	Mercer County/Juvenile & Domestic Relations Court	Juvenile Court Services — Intake Division	48,909
A-53-75	Mercer County/Prosecutor's Office	Rape Task Force	50,000
A-54-75	New Brunswick/Municipal Court	Microfilm System for Municipal Court	12,780
A-55-75	State Dept. of Public Advocate for Municipalities in Atlantic County	Municipal Court Defender Project	59,556
A-56-75	Paramus Boro./Police Department	Paramus Juvenile Delinquency Prevention & Counseling Program	26,807
A-57-75	Passaic County/Juvenile & Domestic Relations Court	Passaic County Juvenile Intake Service	84,942
A-58-75	Passaic County/Prosecutor's Office	Passaic County Police Legal Advisor	25,000
A-59-75	Passaic County/Probation Department	Volunteers in the Passaic County Criminal Justice System	35,943
A-60-75	Roselle Boro./Police Department	Improvement of Police Services	29,885
TOTAL			\$3,099,518
E-1-75	Dept. of Institutions & Agencies/Garden State School District	Learning Center — New Lisbon	\$ 24,381
E-2-75	Dept. of Institutions & Agencies/Garden State School District	Yardville Learning Center & Communications Program	28,787
E-3-75	Dept. of Institutions & Agencies/Garden State School District	Individualized Learning for Adults	42,744
E-4-75	Dept. of Institutions & Agencies/Garden State School District	Evening Vocational Program — Leesburg	56,186
E-6-75	Dept. of Institutions & Agencies/Garden State School District	Vocational Careers Training Program	161,092
E-7-75	Dept. of Institutions & Agencies/Garden State School District	In-House Skill Training	21,966
TOTAL			\$ 335,156

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