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Good Morning –

NCTCOG's Criminal Justice Program is in the process of filling a number of vacancies on the Criminal Justice Policy Development Committee. With that in mind, we are specifically seeking to fill vacancies we currently have for **Collin County**. We wanted to make you aware of these vacancies and solicit any committee member recommendations you might have. I've attached the biographical profile form that we'll need completed and returned to us. Nominees will be presented to the Executive Board in December for appointment to this committee.

It is our policy to solicit new member nominations from a variety of sources, including elected officials, current members, community plan participants, and community contacts. Therefore, this email is going out to several Collin County contacts from our database. There may be many persons considered by NCTCOG's Executive Board for this committee appointment. Feel free to forward this information to others who might be of help in soliciting nominations.

At the regional level, NCTCOG's Criminal Justice Policy Development Committee provides overall policy guidance to the Criminal Justice Program. The Committee is also responsible for reviewing and setting priorities for all criminal justice funding requests. Committee members are appointed by NCTCOG's Executive Board, with approximately 1/3 of the members appointed each year.

The Committee is composed of individuals in the court system, adult/juvenile probation, social services, academics, children's services, mental health, and substance abuse fields, as well as faith-based, law enforcement, parents and interested citizens. Nominees from your county may be from any of these disciplines.

This link on our website will take you to spreadsheets of the FY10 projects that were funded in our region for each of the five funding sources. This will help give you an idea of the agencies we work with and the types of justice-related projects that this committee reviews, scores, and recommends to NCTCOG's Executive Board for funding consideration.

[http://www.nctcog.org/cs/cj/2010\\_grant\\_awards.asp](http://www.nctcog.org/cs/cj/2010_grant_awards.asp)

If you have someone to recommend, please inform them of the demands on their schedule. Below is information on the committee's role/responsibilities:

NCTCOG's Criminal Justice Program assists local governments, judicial systems, ISD's and non-profit entities throughout a 16-county region with the development of programs and projects designed to address particular crime-related community problems.

Much of this volunteer committee's work involves scoring/prioritizing grant applications from the 16-county region. Grant applications cover a variety of projects that include but are not limited to victim services (i.e. family violence shelters and counseling services for victims of crime), juvenile justice programs (i.e., afterschool programs, truancy prevention, teen anti-violence projects, school resource officers, substance abuse prevention/intervention), and crime prevention programs (i.e., specialized prosecutors/investigators, law enforcement equipment, gang intervention).

**Meeting Demands:**

**Calendar demands on Committee members are fairly heavy. They will be required to read and score justice-related grant applications, be willing to travel to COG offices 7-8 times a year for meetings, serve up to 3 years, and have internet/email access. January through June are usually busy months for the committee. The rest of the year is fairly quiet.**

**Conflict of Interest Policy:**

**Optimally, committee members are NOT grantees/applicants for criminal justice grants processed by NCTCOG. There is a strict conflict of interest policy that we must follow. If a committee member is affiliated with the applicant agency, that member must abstain from reviewing, voting, commenting, or taking any action on any competing grant applications within that funding source during the prioritization process. Although it is nearly impossible to have an entire committee of non-grantees, we are making every attempt to solicit nominees that will not have a conflict of interest.**

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions on the committee member search.

We would like to collect all nominee profile forms no later than Friday, October 29, 2010. Thank you.

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