

Securing Funding for LEOPRD

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LEOPRD Funding History



- Early 2007 –LEAs approached PERF to help link their PRDs to share promising approaches to P&R
- Feb 2007 –Steering Committee meeting
- April 2007 –PERF meeting in Chicago w/ 50 large LEA PRDs to explore the need for a network of PRDs. PERF internal resources and Versaterm provided funding. Based on this meeting, LEOPRD was established .
- Oct. 2007-09 – BJA awarded grant to PERF under the Byrne Discretionary program



Funding from BJA



- BJA awarded grant to PERF under the Byrne Discretionary program
- BJA staff attended 1st meeting and encouraged PERF to apply for BJA funding
- BJA funds were needed to build a self-sustaining infrastructure for LEOPRD



Accomplishments under BJA Grant

- **Goals-** Improve operations for large LEAs by linking their PRDs in a network and create an infrastructure to support LEOPRD.
 - Formed Advisory Board
 - National survey on state of planning and research
 - Creation of LEOPRD website
 - Miami LEOPRD Conference (April 2008)



Accomplishments under BJA Grant

- Collection of material on promising practices in managing LEA P&R units
- Held first elections for LEOPRD Board
- BJA funding provided a proof of concept



Future funding for LEOPRD

- Continued interest in LEOPRD from US Dept of Justice
- Private funding sources (e.g. software companies or tech companies)
- Membership dues?