



## Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board

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### **PA Gaming Control Board Accepting Applications for Local Law Enforcement Grant Program**

**HARRISBURG, PA:** The Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board today announced that it will begin accepting applications from local law enforcement agencies in the Commonwealth to receive grant money for the purpose of preventing and investigating unlawful gambling.

The Local Law Enforcement Grant Program's Guidelines and Application are available for download on the Board's website by clicking on the Local Law Enforcement Grants banner on the main page of the PGCB site.

Annually, \$2 million is allocated to the Board to award grants to local law enforcement agencies to fund activities related to the identification, prevention, deterrence, enforcement, investigation or prosecution of activities involving unlawful gambling in the Commonwealth. Local law enforcement agencies who are eligible to apply for these grants include:

- Municipal and Regional Police Departments
- District Attorney Offices
- Pennsylvania State Police (when it is the primary enforcement agency in that municipality)
- Sheriffs with authority to conduct enforcement of unlawful gaming laws
- Task Forces of any combination of the above agencies
- College and University Police Departments.

The Board now includes College and University Police Departments as local law enforcement agencies eligible applicants in recognition of the role these entities may play in combatting illegal gambling on higher education campuses.

In addition to obtaining the Program Guidelines and Application Form from the Board's website, interested agencies may contact Senior Counsel Denise Miller-Tshudy at 717-703-2562 or [dmillertsh@pa.gov](mailto:dmillertsh@pa.gov).

#### **About the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board**

The Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board is tasked to oversee all aspects of gambling involving 16 land-based casinos, online casino games, retail and online sports wagering, and Video Gaming Terminals (VGTs) at qualified truck stops, along with the regulation of online fantasy sports contests.

The land-based casino industry in Pennsylvania consists of six racetrack (Category 1) casinos, five stand-alone (Category 2) casinos, two resort (Category 3) casinos and three mini-casinos (Category 4). Casino expansion will continue over the next couple of years with the anticipated openings of up to two additional Category 4 casinos. A significant job generator in the Commonwealth, casinos and the other types of Board-regulated gaming is expected to generate over \$2 billion in tax revenue during the 2021/2022 State Fiscal Year.

Additional information about both the PGCB's gaming regulatory efforts and Pennsylvania's gaming industry can be found at [gamingcontrolboard.pa.gov](http://gamingcontrolboard.pa.gov) . You can also follow the agency on Twitter by choosing [@PAGamingControl](https://twitter.com/PAGamingControl).