

ARTICLE 2. PUBLIC SAFETY IMPROVEMENT AREAS

Rule 1. Purpose

205 IAC 2-1-1 General provisions

Authority: IC 36-8-19.5-4

Affected: IC 36-8-19.5

Sec. 1. (a) This rule sets forth the application and approval process guidelines for designating high crime areas of consolidated and second class cities as public safety improvement areas.

(b) The purpose of designating a defined area as a public safety improvement area is to recognize and encourage a community's collaborative efforts to reduce crime and delinquency and to improve public safety.

(c) The institute shall give priority to grant applications of applicants identified in designated public safety improvement area plans when the institute is involved in:

(1) awarding; or

(2) administering the award of;

grants that applicants are eligible to receive. (*Indiana Criminal Justice Institute; 205 IAC 2-1-1; filed Jun 9, 1995, 2:30 p.m.: 18 IR 2676; readopted filed May 31, 2002, 3:28 p.m.: 25 IR 3462*)

Rule 2. Definitions

205 IAC 2-2-1 Applicability

Authority: IC 36-8-19.5-4

Affected: IC 36-8-19.5

Sec. 1. The definitions in this rule apply throughout this article. (*Indiana Criminal Justice Institute; 205 IAC 2-2-1; filed Jun 9, 1995, 2:30 p.m.: 18 IR 2676; readopted filed May 31, 2002, 3:28 p.m.: 25 IR 3462*)

205 IAC 2-2-2 "Board of trustees" defined

Authority: IC 36-8-19.5-4

Affected: IC 5-2-6-4; IC 5-2-6-5

Sec. 2. "Board of trustees" means the governing body of the institute as defined by IC 5-2-6-5. (*Indiana Criminal Justice Institute; 205 IAC 2-2-2; filed Jun 9, 1995, 2:30 p.m.: 18 IR 2676; readopted filed May 31, 2002, 3:28 p.m.: 25 IR 3462*)

205 IAC 2-2-3 "Designation" defined

Authority: IC 36-8-19.5-4

Affected: IC 36-8-19.5

Sec. 3. "Designation" means the recognition and appointment of an area of a consolidated or second class city as a public safety improvement area. (*Indiana Criminal Justice Institute; 205 IAC 2-2-3; filed Jun 9, 1995, 2:30 p.m.: 18 IR 2676; readopted filed May 31, 2002, 3:28 p.m.: 25 IR 3462*)

205 IAC 2-2-4 "High crime rate" defined

Authority: IC 36-8-19.5-4

Affected: IC 36-8-19.5

Sec. 4. "High crime rate" means an area that has a Uniform Crime Report Part I Index Crime Rate per one hundred thousand (100,000) residents that is a minimum of twenty percent (20%) higher than the reported rate for the entire city. The Uniform Crime Report is published annually by the United States Department of Justice. (*Indiana Criminal Justice Institute; 205 IAC 2-2-4; filed Jun 9, 1995, 2:30 p.m.: 18 IR 2676; readopted filed May 31, 2002, 3:28 p.m.: 25 IR 3462*)

205 IAC 2-2-5 “Institute” defined

Authority: IC 36-8-19.5-2; IC 36-8-19.5-4

Affected: IC 5-2-6-3

Sec. 5. “Institute” means the Indiana criminal justice institute established under IC 5-2-6-3. (*Indiana Criminal Justice Institute; 205 IAC 2-2-5; filed Jun 9, 1995, 2:30 p.m.: 18 IR 2676; readopted filed May 31, 2002, 3:28 p.m.: 25 IR 3462*)

205 IAC 2-2-6 “Legislative body” defined

Authority: IC 36-8-19.5-4

Affected: IC 36-1-2-9; IC 36-8-19.5-3

Sec. 6. “Legislative body” means a body as defined in IC 36-1-2-9. (*Indiana Criminal Justice Institute; 205 IAC 2-2-6; filed Jun 9, 1995, 2:30 p.m.: 18 IR 2676; readopted filed May 31, 2002, 3:28 p.m.: 25 IR 3462*)

205 IAC 2-2-7 “Participant” defined

Authority: IC 36-8-19.5-4

Affected: IC 36-8-19.5

Sec. 7. “Participant” means a person who has experience or expertise in at least one (1) of the following areas:

- (1) Business.
- (2) Civic or private organizations.
- (3) Crime and delinquency prevention.
- (4) Education.
- (5) Family relations.
- (6) Law enforcement.
- (7) Local government.
- (8) Prosecution.
- (9) Religion.
- (10) Substance abuse services.
- (11) Victim services.

(*Indiana Criminal Justice Institute; 205 IAC 2-2-7; filed Jun 9, 1995, 2:30 p.m.: 18 IR 2677; errata, 18 IR 3400; readopted filed May 31, 2002, 3:28 p.m.: 25 IR 3462*)

205 IAC 2-2-8 “Plan” defined

Authority: IC 36-8-19.5-4

Affected: IC 36-8-19.5

Sec. 8. “Plan” means a comprehensive strategy designed to improve public safety. (*Indiana Criminal Justice Institute; 205 IAC 2-2-8; filed Jun 9, 1995, 2:30 p.m.: 18 IR 2677; readopted filed May 31, 2002, 3:28 p.m.: 25 IR 3462*)

205 IAC 2-2-9 “Public safety improvement area” defined

Authority: IC 36-8-19.5-4

Affected: IC 36-8-19.5

Sec. 9. “Public safety improvement area” means an area in a consolidated or second class city so designated by the institute under this article. (*Indiana Criminal Justice Institute; 205 IAC 2-2-9; filed Jun 9, 1995, 2:30 p.m.: 18 IR 2677; readopted filed May 31, 2002, 3:28 p.m.: 25 IR 3462*)

Rule 3. Eligibility Requirements

205 IAC 2-3-1 Eligibility

Authority: IC 36-8-19.5-4

Affected: IC 36-8-19.5-3

Sec. 1. (a) In order to be eligible for public safety improvement area designation, an area must be as follows:

- (1) Within a consolidated or second class city.
- (2) Have a high crime rate.
- (3) Have boundaries that are expressly designated by the legislative body.
- (4) Not comprise more than twenty percent (20%) of the city's geographical territory.

(b) In addition to subsection (a), the legislative body that governs the area for which designation is sought must submit a plan for improving public safety developed by area participants. (*Indiana Criminal Justice Institute; 205 IAC 2-3-1; filed Jun 9, 1995, 2:30 p.m.: 18 IR 2677; readopted filed May 31, 2002, 3:28 p.m.: 25 IR 3462*)

Rule 4. Application Process

205 IAC 2-4-1 Applications

Authority: IC 36-8-19.5-4

Affected: IC 5-2-6; IC 36-8-19

Sec. 1. (a) Applications may only be submitted to the institute by the legislative body that governs the area for which designation is sought.

(b) Applications may only be submitted on a form provided by the institute.

(c) The legislative body shall expressly determine the boundaries of the area for which it seeks designation by providing a description of the physical features of the area as they exist at the time of the application, including, but not limited to, the center line of any of the following:

- (1) Streets.
- (2) Rivers.
- (3) Streams.
- (4) Railroads.

(d) Applications must include plans created by participants who represent the racial, cultural, and economic diversity of the area.

(e) The plans submitted for improving public safety shall include the following:

- (1) Identification of the current barriers to safe neighborhoods, parks, and schools.
- (2) Identification of those segments of the community most at risk for becoming victims of crime.
- (3) Identification of those factors that participants believe foster crime in the area.
- (4) A description of the strategies, programs, and services envisioned to address the public safety problems identified.
- (5) An explanation of the community's goal for improving public safety within the area.
- (6) Identification of benchmarks and goals that will be used in evaluating the success of plan implementation.
- (7) Any other information necessary to demonstrate the plans submitted under this section.

(f) The application form will contain information regarding the time for submission and final review of the application. (*Indiana Criminal Justice Institute; 205 IAC 2-4-1; filed Jun 9, 1995, 2:30 p.m.: 18 IR 2677; readopted filed May 31, 2002, 3:28 p.m.: 25 IR 3462*)

Rule 5. Approval Process

205 IAC 2-5-1 Approval

Authority: IC 36-8-19.5-4

Affected: IC 5-2-6; IC 36-8-19.5-3

Sec. 1. (a) A staff member of the institute shall preliminarily review all applications and may provide technical assistance to

applicants in completing applications, if necessary.

(b) The board of trustees shall conduct a final review of all applications.

(c) The board of trustees shall accord designation provided the applications demonstrate the following:

(1) Areas are eligible under 205 IAC 2-3.

(2) Participants who engaged in the development of the plan represent the diversity of the area and experience in the areas defined under 205 IAC 2-2-7.

(3) The plans submitted effectively identify and address the issues outlined in 205 IAC 2-4-1(e).

(Indiana Criminal Justice Institute; 205 IAC 2-5-1; filed Jun 9, 1995, 2:30 p.m.: 18 IR 2677; readopted filed May 31, 2002, 3:28 p.m.: 25 IR 3462)

Rule 6. Notice of Public Safety Improvement Area Designation

205 IAC 2-6-1 Designation

Authority: IC 36-8-19.5-4

Affected: IC 36-8-19.5

Sec. 1. The legislative body that governs the public safety improvement area shall have thirty (30) days from the date an area receives the designation to do the following:

(1) Publish a description of the boundaries of the area once in one (1) newspaper of general circulation in the city wherein the area exists.

(2) Provide appropriate markers to inform residents that an area is a public safety improvement area.

(Indiana Criminal Justice Institute; 205 IAC 2-6-1; filed Jun 9, 1995, 2:30 p.m.: 18 IR 2678; readopted filed May 31, 2002, 3:28 p.m.: 25 IR 3462)

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