# 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; readopted filed Nov 24, 2008, 10:14 a.m.: 20081210-IR-205080769RFA; readopted filed Dec 2, 2015, 2:54 p.m.: 20151230-IR-205140409RFA)

## **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; readopted filed Nov 24, 2008, 10:14 a.m.: 20081210-IR-205080769RFA; readopted filed Dec 2, 2015, 2:54 p.m.: 20151230-IR-205140409RFA)

### 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; readopted filed Nov 24, 2008, 10:14 a.m.: 20081210-IR-205080769RFA; readopted filed Dec 2, 2015, 2:54 p.m.: 20151230-IR-205140409RFA)

# 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; readopted filed Nov 24, 2008, 10:14 a.m.: 20081210-IR-205080769RFA; readopted filed Dec 2, 2015, 2:54 p.m.: 20151230-IR-205140409RFA)

## 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; readopted filed Nov 24, 2008, 10:14 a.m.: 20081210-IR-205080769RFA; readopted filed Dec 2, 2015, 2:54 p.m.: 20151230-IR-205140409RFA)

## 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; readopted filed Nov 24, 2008, 10:14 a.m.: 20081210-IR-205080769RFA; readopted filed Dec 2, 2015, 2:54 p.m.: 20151230-IR-205140409RFA)

## 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; readopted filed Nov 24, 2008, 10:14 a.m.: 20081210-IR-205080769RFA; readopted filed Dec 2, 2015, 2:54 p.m.: 20151230-IR-205140409RFA)

## 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; readopted filed Nov 24, 2008, 10:14 a.m.: 20081210-IR-205080769RFA; readopted filed Dec 2, 2015, 2:54 p.m.: 20151230-IR-205140409RFA)

#### 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

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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; readopted filed Nov 24, 2008, 10:14 a.m.: 20081210-IR-205080769RFA; readopted filed Dec 2, 2015, 2:54 p.m.: 20151230-IR-205140409RFA)

#### 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; readopted filed Nov 24, 2008, 10:14 a.m.: 20081210-IR-205080769RFA; readopted filed Dec 2, 2015, 2:54 p.m.: 20151230-IR-205140409RFA)

# 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; readopted filed Nov 24, 2008, 10:14 a.m.: 20081210-IR-205080769RFA; readopted filed Dec 2, 2015, 2:54 p.m.: 20151230-IR-205140409RFA)

## **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.

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- (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; readopted filed Nov 24, 2008, 10:14 a.m.: 20081210-IR-205080769RFA; readopted filed Dec 2, 2015, 2:54 p.m.: 20151230-IR-205140409RFA)

# 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; readopted filed Nov 24, 2008, 10:14 a.m.: 20081210-IR-205080769RFA; readopted filed Dec 2, 2015, 2:54 p.m.: 20151230-IR-205140409RFA)

## 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; readopted filed Nov 24, 2008, 10:14 a.m.: 20081210-IR-205080769RFA; readopted filed Dec 2, 2015, 2:54 p.m.: 20151230-IR-205140409RFA)

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