

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### **US Department of Justice: BJA FY 23 Office of Justice Programs Community Based Violence Intervention and Prevention Initiative**

New Haven Department of Community Resilience

May 4, 2023

Funding request: \$2,000,000.00 for three years

The New Haven Department of Community Resilience seeks funding from the U.S. Department of Justice to expand or enhance community violence intervention and prevention initiatives.

Funds will be used to:

- Support comprehensive, evidence-based violence intervention and prevention programs, including efforts to address gang and gun violence, based on partnerships among community residents, local government agencies, victim service providers, community-based organizations (CBOs), law enforcement, hospitals, researchers, and other community stakeholders.
- Further integrate public safety, public health, and social justice by engaging stakeholders and multidisciplinary partners from the public, private, and community sectors to prevent and reduce violence, address collective trauma, strengthen community resilience, and build social capital.

Community violence intervention (CVI) is an approach that uses evidence-informed strategies to reduce violence through tailored, community-centered initiatives. These multidisciplinary strategies engage individuals and groups to prevent and disrupt cycles of violence and retaliation and establish relationships between individuals and community assets to deliver services that save lives, address trauma, provide opportunity, and improve the physical, social, and economic conditions that drive violence.