Project Summary

Our agency is seeking GAP funding to support the ongoing maintenance and enhancement of our Formulytics gang intelligence and prosecution system. Since its initial implementation several years ago, we have successfully identified and documented approximately 36 gangs and over 3,300 members and associates. This critical intelligence has significantly bolstered our efforts to understand gang activity within DeKalb County, build solid cases against these criminal organizations, and facilitate information sharing with our state, local, and federal partners.

The Formulytics system is fully operational, with trained personnel in our office and neighboring jurisdictions, including Atlanta, Gwinnett, and Rockdale counties. It has been in successful use for seven years at the DeKalb County Sheriff's Office. The requested funding would ensure the continued use of Formulytics, enabling us to organize gang intelligence and evidence more effectively, and to operationalize this data into successful gang-related prosecutions.

Over the past several years, DeKalb County, like much of Georgia, has experienced a significant rise in violent crime. In the last year alone, the DeKalb County Sheriff's Office has developed several major gang cases where Formulytics has been instrumental.

Federal statistics indicate that gangs are responsible for over 70% of violent crime in the U.S., a figure that aligns with our local experience. Formulytics allows us to identify the most violent gangs and members in our community and understand their associated crimes. It provides our investigators with a structured, step-by-step approach to building strong gang cases, leading to successful prosecutions. When gang warrants are issued, we often see an immediate reduction in crime within the affected communities. Enhanced collaboration between our county's law enforcement agencies and the District Attorney's office, facilitated by Formulytics, has resulted in a significant impact on crime reduction.

In the coming year, we plan to continue expanding our use of Formulytics by adding more data, increasing training, and growing our resources dedicated to combating gang violence. These efforts will help us fill gaps in our knowledge of criminal organizations and strengthen connections with neighboring jurisdictions. We believe these investments will

lead to additional gang warrants and prosecutions, which are crucial in the fight against gang violence.

Budget

To sustain the support, maintenance, and hosting of our existing Formulytics system through December 31, 2025, at the DeKalb County Sheriff's Office, we are requesting an estimated amount of $32,192.

Major Milestones

Identification and Documentation: Identify and input additional gangs and their key members operating within our jurisdiction.

Connection to Crimes: Establish connections between these gangs, their members, and specific incidents of violent crime.

Tracking Progress: Monitor the progression of gang members from initial contact through to the issuance of warrants, prosecutions, and convictions.

Crime Reduction Impact: Demonstrate a reduction in violent crime as a result of these efforts, with progress tracked quarterly to showcase significant improvements by the end of the calendar year 2025.