

SUPPORTING STATEMENT

Part A. Justification:

1. Necessity of Information Collection.

On September 13, 1994, President Clinton signed into law the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 (Pub. L. 103-322). Title I of the "crime bill," the Public Safety Partnership and Community Policing Act of 1994 (the Act), authorizes the Attorney General to make grants to states, units of local government, Indian tribal governments, other public and private entities, and multi-jurisdictional or regional consortia thereof to increase police presence, to expand and improve cooperative efforts between law enforcement agencies and members of the community, to address crime and disorder problems, and to otherwise enhance public safety.

The COPS project is designed to facilitate improved police and community relations by developing and using films to give viewers information, tools and insights to enhance their understanding of how bullying and hate can negatively impact the community. For quality control and to assess the effectiveness of these films, it is necessary to collect data from viewers.

2. Needs and Uses

These surveys are necessary to quantify users'/viewers' perceptions of Not In Our Town (NIOT) film/media products and provide detailed input for future works. The surveys will be used to ensure that the products are useful for the audience/users, and if there are any problems found through the survey, that supplemental information can be created to address the problem. The same will apply to the website components, if something is unclear or missing, the grantee will be able to modify the website components to meet the need. The COPS Office will not be using these answers, this is for the grantee to ensure that the COPS-funded materials are meeting the need.

3. Efforts to Minimize Burden

To minimize the burden to viewers, the surveys to assess the films/media products are designed to be short, concise and focus on the users'/viewers' perceptions of the specific film/media product being used by viewer. In addition to the perceptions data, traditional demographic data are also collected for analyses. The surveys are targeted for each of the media products. Consequently, the viewer has to only complete one brief survey (3 – 5 minutes) after viewing the film.

4. Efforts to Identify Duplication

There is no duplicative effort. The survey does not duplicate a current information collection instrument.

5. Methods to Minimize Burden on Small Business

There is no significant impact on small entities or businesses.

6. Consequences of Less Frequent Collection

A less frequent collection or fewer respondents would not allow sufficient information to perform the appropriate film/media assessment.

7. Special Circumstances Influencing Collection

There are no special circumstances that would influence the collection of information.

8. Reasons for Inconsistencies with 5 CFR 1320.6

There are no inconsistencies

9. Payment or Gift to Respondents

No government funds will be used as payment or for gifts to respondents.

10. Assurance of Confidentiality

No assurance of confidentiality has been made to respondents.

11. Justification for Sensitive Questions

There are no questions of a sensitive nature. No information commonly considered as private is included in the proposed requested information.

12. Estimate of Hour Burden

- Not In Our Town: Prosecuting Hate Crimes Survey – 3-5 minutes
- Not In Our Town: Police-Community Collaborations for Hate Crimes Prevention Survey – 3-5minutes
- Not In Our Town: Police-Community Relations for Diversity and Inclusion – 3-5 minutes
- Not In Our Town: Law Enforcement-School Collaborations Survey – 3-5 minutes
- Not In Our Town: Improving Hate Crimes Reporting Survey – 3-5 minutes
- Not In Our Town: Light in the Darkness Survey – 3-5 minutes
- Not In Our Town: Class Actions Survey – 3-5 minutes
- Not In Our Town: Billings Survey 3-5 minutes
- Not In Our Town: Law Enforcement-Community Collaboration Webinar #1 Survey – 3-5 minutes
- Not In Our Town: Law Enforcement-Community Collaboration Webinar #2 Survey – 3-5 minutes
- Not In Our Town: Law Enforcement-Community Collaboration Webinar #3 Survey – 3-5 minutes
- Not In Our Town: Law Enforcement-Community Collaboration Webinar #4 Survey – 3-5 minutes
- Not In Our Town: Law Enforcement Guide #1 for Working with Diverse Communities Survey – 3-5 minutes
- Not In Our Town: Law Enforcement Guide #2 for Working with Diverse Communities Survey – 3-5 minutes
- Not In Our Town: Law Enforcement Guide #1 for Working with Schools Survey – 3-5

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- Not In Our Town: Law Enforcement Guide #2 for Working with Schools Survey – 3-5 minutes
- Not In Our Town Video Action Kit Survey – 3-5 minutes
- NIOT.org: Not In Our Town Online Hub for Law Enforcement User Survey – 3-5 minutes

Each survey is estimated to take 3 – 5 minutes to complete.

13. Estimate of Cost Burden

This collection will not generate any costs other than those associated with the applicants' time. Therefore, the estimated burden cost is 0.

14. Estimated Annualized Cost to Federal Government

This collection will not accrue any annualized cost to the Federal Government.

15. Reason for Change in Burden

No changes, proposed new collection.

16. Publication

The data collected will be used for internal use to assess the users'/viewers' perceptions of the films/media products and to provide information regarding the effectiveness of these products to partnering organizations and funders.

17. Request not to Display OMB Control Number

The COPS Office will display the OMB approval number and expiration date on the upper right hand corner of the collection instrument.

18. Exceptions to Certification Statement

The COPS Office does not request an exception to the certification of this information collection.