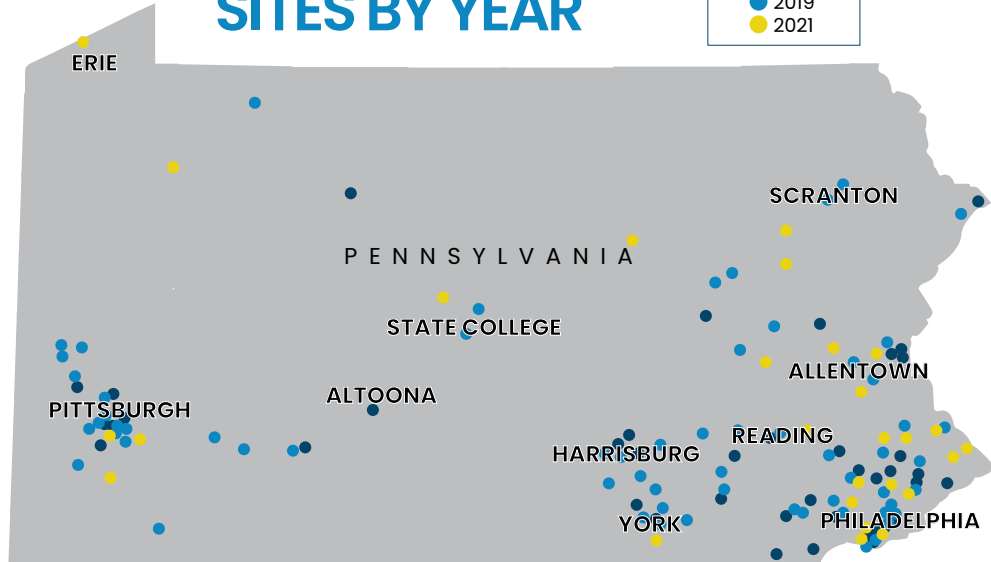
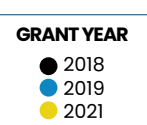


# STATE AND FEDERAL COLLABORATION IN BODY-WORN CAMERA IMPLEMENTATION: PENNSYLVANIA'S PHASED APPROACH

## PCCD BWCIIP SITES BY YEAR



The Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) is statutorily authorized to undertake criminal and juvenile justice planning, coordination, and policy analysis. PCCD serves as the State Administrating Agency (SAA) that provides the state with a central source of planning, statistical analysis, and program development for the improvement of the state's justice system. As the SAA, PCCD administers state and federal grant programs. In 2018, PCCD applied for and received a Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Body-Worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program (BWCIIP) competitive grant on behalf of 50 preidentified law enforcement agencies (LEAs). In 2019, PCCD received additional

funding to further expand BWC implementation on behalf of another 29 preidentified LEAs, as well as for BWC programs in other LEAs that were set to be selected by PCCD during the grant period. In 2021, PCCD secured its third BWCIIP grant to further expand LEA adoption of BWCs throughout the state. Throughout three funding cycles, PCCD refined, progressed, and continually expanded its BWC program.

As a result of BJA BWCIIP funding, PCCD worked with BJA and its TTA provider, CNA, to implement more extensive and robust BWC deployment in diverse settings across the state. Through three funding cycles PCCD steadily built its capacity to assist 130 agencies with developing, implementing, and assessing BWC programs as a tool to increase accountability and transparency and to better leverage digital data. These agencies included municipal law enforcement, sheriff's offices, and jails. As the SAA for the Commonwealth, PCCD has illustrated how an SAA can work with BJA to develop effective partnerships with local agencies. State management of federal funds and local agencies not only leverages economies of scale but also helps establish collaboration, build peer-to-peer networks, and increases consistency in program and policy implementation across agencies.

Every state has its own SAA that operates similarly to PCCD. SAAs interested in applying on behalf of LEAs in their state should reference the [BJA funding availability page](#). LEAs interested in having their SAA apply on behalf of a group of interested applicants should contact their SAA [listed on this webpage](#).

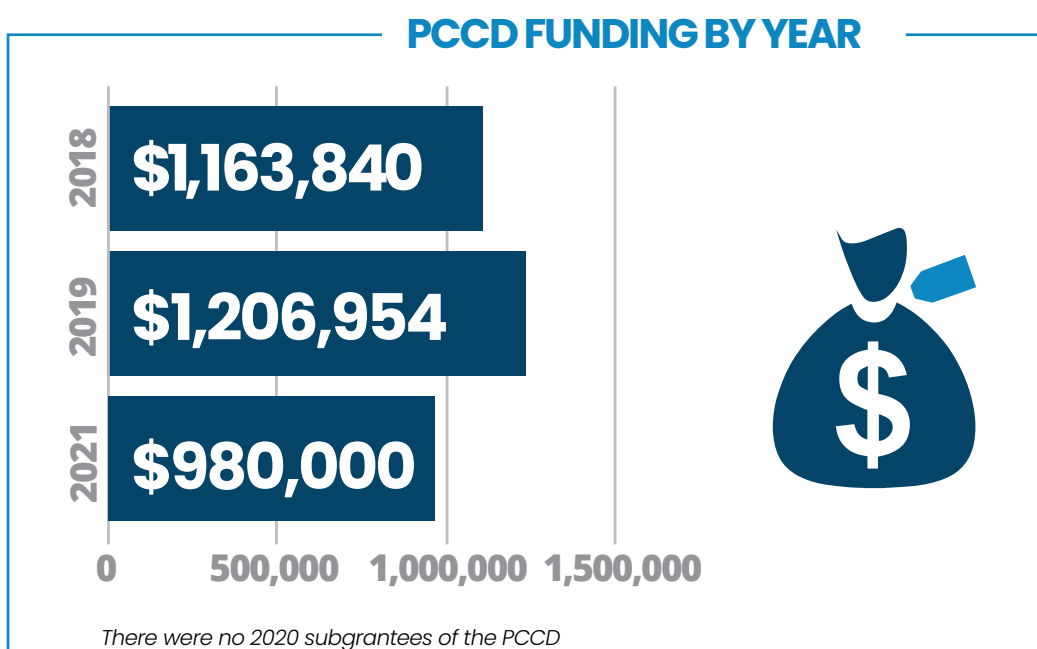
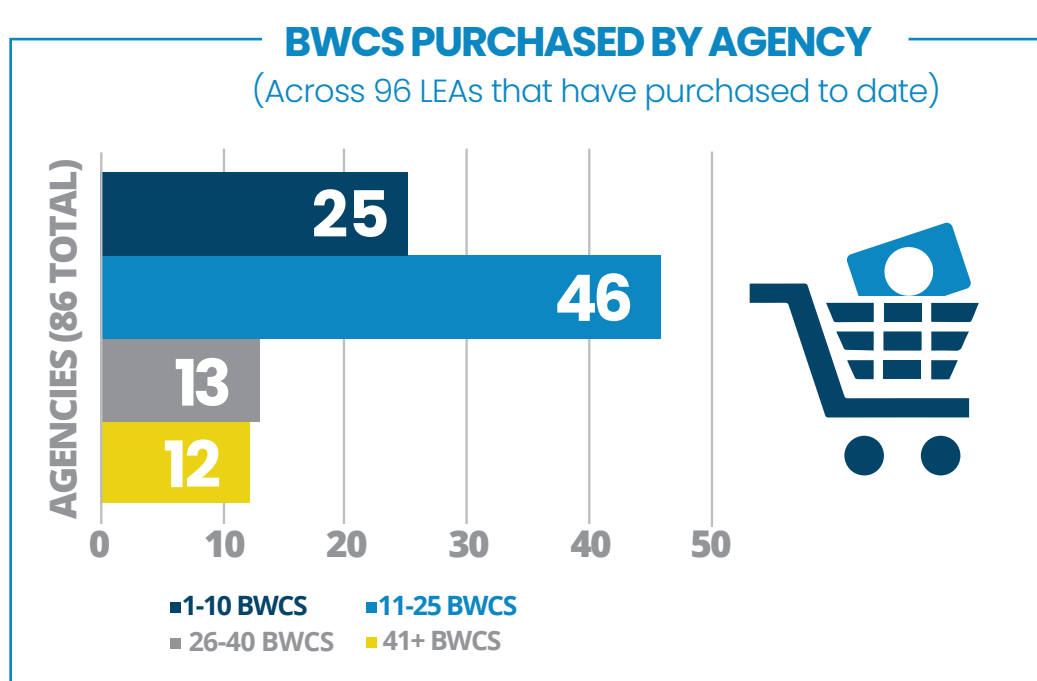
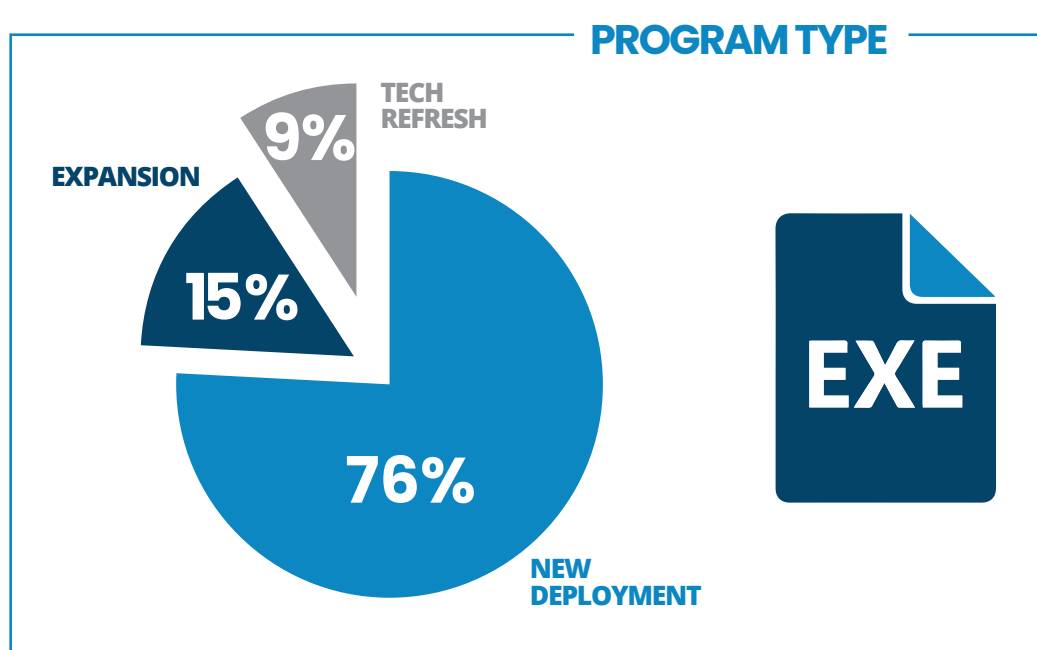
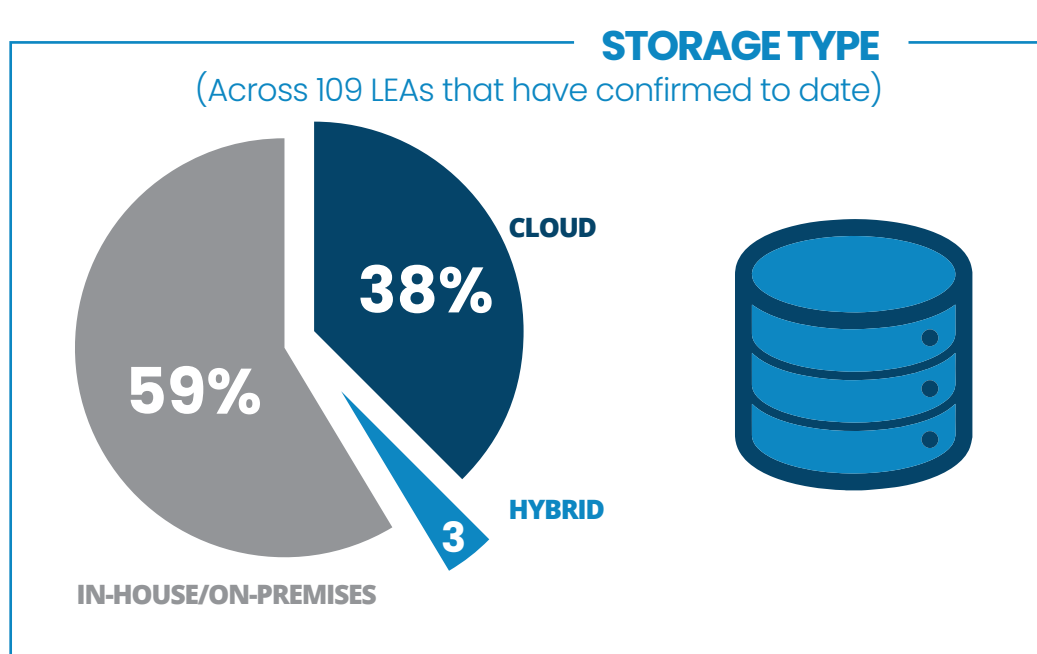
## BENEFITS OF A REGIONAL APPROACH TO BWCS

### BENEFITS FOR AGENCIES

- Smaller agencies and others without federal grant experience are relieved of the responsibility of applying for and managing a federal grant.
- Subgrantee agencies benefit from collaborating with neighboring agencies that are also subgrantees, promoting regional approaches and consistency.
- Agencies may develop policies specific to local context while complying with state laws and mandates.
- Agencies can leverage PCCD's role to help ensure they continue to operate in compliance with state laws and with optimal coordination between agencies.

### PCCD RESPONSIBILITIES AND BENEFITS

- Manages, monitors, and learns lessons from individual sites, which aligns with PCCD's mission to provide state-wide coordination and collaboration among criminal justice agencies.
- As an official SAA, PCCD leverages its extensive experience in federal grant management and benefits individual agencies by relieving them of the responsibilities of federal grant applications and management.



**130** AGENCIES RECEIVED FUNDING

**91** AGENCIES HAVE TRAINED OFFICERS ON BWCS TO DATE

**128** BWC POLICIES DEVELOPED AND APPROVED TO DATE

**22** CAMERAS REQUESTED PER AGENCY (ON AVERAGE)

**2,849** TOTAL NUMBER OF BWCS REQUESTED

**2,176** NUMBER OF BWCS ACQUIRED TO DATE

**2,501** OFFICERS TRAINED ON BWC USE TO DATE

**50** AGENCIES INTEGRATING BWCS WITH IN-CAR CAMERAS

