Drug Treatment and Education Programs

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Local Drug Treatment Programs
Cities may spend money from the Drug Fund special revenue account to assist local drug treatment programs. There are no state standards defining what constitutes a qualifying local drug treatment program.

Drug Education Programs
Funds may be spent on drug education programs, but there are no specific standards that define a qualifying drug education program. Many agencies fund all or part of the D.A.R.E. or VICTOR programs with Drug Funds. Agencies also may use the funds to purchase anti-drug literature for distribution in the community or local schools or to fund an anti-drug seminar for local residents, P.T.A., or school children.

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