

BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE

FY22 NATIONAL INITIATIVES IN JUSTICE AND MENTAL HEALTH: TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR GRANTEES AND THE FIELD

This webinar will begin shortly



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National Initiatives in Justice and Mental Health



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What is the Office of Justice Programs (OJP)?

- OJP provides grant funding, training, research, and statistics to the criminal justice community
- OJP is one of three grant-making components of the Department of Justice along with the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) and the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS)

Office of Justice Programs

BJA - Bureau of Justice Assistance

BJS - Bureau of Justice Statistics

NIJ - National Institute of Justice

OVC - Office for Victims of Crime

OJJDP - Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

SMART - Office of Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering, and Tracking

BJA Mission Statement

BJA provides leadership and services in grant administration and criminal justice policy development to support local, state, and tribal justice strategies to reduce violent crime and strengthen communities.

OJP Goals

OJP strives to prevent and reduce crime through a comprehensive approach; to engage and empower those in at-risk environments; to advance systemic improvements in the justice system and to deliver effective and outcome-driven capabilities and programs.

Program Overview



Statutory Authority

Categories 1, 2, and 3 are authorized by Pub. L. No. 90-351, Title I, Sec. 2991 (codified at 34 U.S.C. 10651); Department of Justice Appropriations Act, 2022 (Pub. L. No. 117-103)

Category 4 is authorized by Department of Justice Appropriations Act, 2022 (Pub. L. No. 117-103)

Category 5 is authorized by Pub. L. No. 103-322, Sec. 240001 (codified at 34 U.S.C. 12621)

National Initiatives: Justice and Mental Health TTA

This joint solicitation will include Training and Technical Assistance (TTA) categories for multiple justice and mental health programs that include site based, programmatic TTA and broader TTA for the field, to increase state and local capacity for unfunded communities.

Training and Technical Assistance provider(s) are to provide TTA to site-based grantees and agencies under the following programs:

- The Justice and Mental Health Collaboration (JMHCP) Program
- The Connect and Protect Law Enforcement Behavioral Health Responses Program(Connect and Protect).
- Law Enforcement Services for Improved Agency Operations, Policies and Response to People with MHDs/MHSUDs: Supporting state/local capacity building for jurisdictions and the field.
- The Collaborative Crisis Response and Intervention Training Program
- The Kevin and Avonte Program: Reducing Injury and Death of Missing Individuals with Dementia and Developmental Disabilities

Goals and Objectives



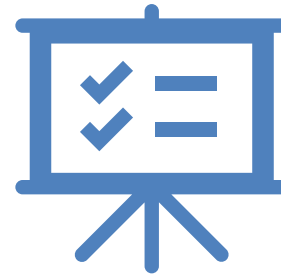
JUSTICE and MENTAL HEALTH

Category 1 seeks applications to provide TTA for the [Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program \(JMHCPC\)](#) site-based grantees and state/local-based capacity building for jails, prosecutors, courts, and corrections

BJA FY 2022 TTA Funding: Category 1



Goals



Objectives

CONNECT and PROTECT

Category 2 seeks applications to provide TTA for [Connect and Protect: Law Enforcement Behavioral Health Responses](#)
(Connect and Protect) site-based grantees

BJA FY 2022 TTA Funding: Category 2



Goals



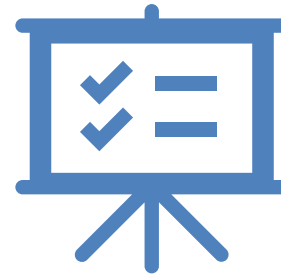
Objectives

ENHANCE LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES

Category 3 seeks applications to provide TTA to Enhance Law Enforcement Services for Improved Agency Operations, Policies, and Response to People with MHDs/MHSUDs: [Supporting state/local capacity](#) building for jurisdictions and the field



Goals



Objectives

CRISIS RESPONSE and INTERVENTION TRAINING

Category 4 seeks applications to provide TTA for [Crisis Response and Intervention Training](#) (Crisis Response) site-based grantees



Goals



Objectives

Kevin and Avonte

Category 5 seeks applications to provide TTA for [Kevin and Avonte: Reducing Injury and Death of Missing Individuals with Dementia and Developmental Disabilities](#) (Kevin and Avonte) site-based grantees

Kevin and Avonte Program Overview

- Aimed at helping families locate missing loved ones with Alzheimer's Disease, autism, and related conditions
- Legislation supports initiatives that reduce the risk of injury or death of individuals with Dementia and developmental disabilities
- Authorized BJA's ***Reducing Injury and Death of Missing Individuals with Dementia and Developmental Disabilities Program***
 - ***Provides funding to law enforcement and public safety agencies to implement technologies to*** track missing individuals and to develop or operate programs to prevent wandering, increase safety, and facilitate rescue

Program History

- Kevin and Avonte's Law enacted in 2018
- Kevin and Avonte's Law is named in honor of two boys with autism who perished after wandering
- Nine-year-old Kevin Curtis Wills wandered from home, slipped into Iowa's Raccoon River and drowned in 2008
- Fourteen-year-old Avonte Oquendo wandered away from his school and drowned in New York City's East River in 2014





Goals



Objectives

Category 1: Proactive Programs

- **Objective:** Grantees funds will be used to support the design, establishment, or operation of holistic, locally based, proactive programs to locate or prevent the wandering of individuals with forms of dementia, such as Alzheimer's disease, or developmental disabilities, such as autism, who, due to their condition, wander from safe environments

Category 2: Locative Technology

- **Objective:** Grantees funds will be used to support the purchase, development, or implementation of locally based tracking technology for individuals with forms of dementia, such as Alzheimer's disease, or developmental disabilities, such as autism, who, due to their condition, wander from safe environments

Deliverables: All Categories

SAMPLE of DELIVERABLES for CATEGORIES 1-5:

- Utilize a diverse range of vetted local and national subject matter experts including practitioners, academics, persons with lived experience, and federal partners to plan and implement TTA activities.
- Coordinate all activities and products with BJA's National Training and Technical Assistance Center (NTTAC) and maintain an online project tracking tool that both the TTA provider and BJA can access and contribute to.
- Support and maintain a dedicated website to house BJA's products, resources, and tools for grantees and the field.
- ✓ **For More Information on specific deliverables for each category(s) 1-5, please review page 8 of the solicitation**
- ✓ **Deliverables for each category begins on page 8**

Federal Award Information

BJA expects to receive 15 applications in FY 2022 and will have approximately \$8.6M available for awards.

Dollar Amounts of Awards:

Category 1- \$2,300,000.00

Category 2- \$2,300,000.00

Category 3- \$1,000,000.00

Category 4- \$2,250,000.00

Category 5- \$750,000.00

Estimated Number of Awards in Each Category: 1

Period of Performance: 24 months

Type of Award: Cooperative Agreement

Match Requirement: None

Eligibility

Eligible Applicants:

- Nonprofit organizations (including tribal organizations) and,
- For-profit (commercial and tribal) organizations
- Faith-based and community organizations
- Private Institutions
- Public and State-controlled institutions of higher education (including tribal institutions of higher education)

Additional information can be located at:

[Available Funding | Bureau of Justice Assistance \(ojp.gov\)](https://www.ojp.gov/available-funding).

IMPORTANT CRITERIA TO CONSIDER:

This solicitation does not contain OJP priority considerations, however,

Applicants proposing to utilize grant funds to support technological enhancements directly or via TTA may receive priority consideration if their proposal addresses the tenants of digital trust such as:

- How the technology will be carefully implemented through training of personnel and the setting and enforcement of policies governing its use to ensure that it contributes to positive outcomes for public safety, the community, and/or the criminal justice system.
- How the applicant will safeguard privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties throughout the duration of the project period.

Application Minimum Requirements:

The following application elements must be included in the application to meet the basic minimum requirements (BMRs) to advance to peer review and receive consideration for funding:

Additional Information on BMRs can be found on **page 17** of the solicitation.

- Proposal Abstract Proposal Narrative
- Budget Worksheet and Budget Narrative (web-based form) (The web-based form includes the budget details and the budget narrative.
- A currently drafted memorandum of understanding (MOU) or letters of support to demonstrate partnership with one or more organizations with expertise and national engagement in the following subject areas: law enforcement, mental health, courts, prosecution, judicial associations, probation and parole, and community treatment and supervision.
- In addition to the above, applicants applying under Category 5 must attach an MOU or letters of support to demonstrate partnership with one or more organizations with expertise and national engagement working with people who have intellectual or developmental disabilities and are aiding in the search and recovery of missing persons.

Merit Review Criteria

Applications that meet the basic minimum requirements will be evaluated by peer reviewers on how the proposed project/program addresses the following criteria:

1. Statement of the Problem/Description of the Issue **(15 percent)** — Evaluate the applicant's understanding of the program/issue to be addressed.
1. Project Design and Implementation **(40 percent)** — Evaluate the adequacy of the proposal, including the goals, objectives, timelines, milestones, and deliverables.
1. Capabilities and Competencies **(30 percent)** — Evaluate the administrative and technical capacity of the applicant to successfully accomplish the goals and objectives.
1. Plan for Collecting the Data Required for this Solicitation's Performance Measures **(5 percent)** — Evaluate the applicant's understanding of the performance data reporting requirements and the plan for collecting the required data.
1. Budget **(10 percent)** — Evaluate for completeness, cost effectiveness, and allowability (e.g., reasonable, allocable, and necessary for project activities).

Helpful Resources Available for Grant Applicants

Application Assistance

Grants.gov

- Provides technical assistance with submitting the SF-424 and SF-LLL.
 - **Customer Support Hotline** – 800-518-4726 or 606-545-5035
 - Operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, except on federal holidays.
 - **Email**
 - <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/support.html>
 - support@grants.gov
- Provides information on available federal funding opportunities for various federal agencies.

Application Assistance (cont.)

JustGrants Technical Support

- Provides technical assistance with submitting the full application in DOJ's Justice Grants System (JustGrants).
 - **Customer Support Hotline** – 833-872-5175
 - Monday – Friday between 5:00 AM and 9:00 PM EST.
 - Saturday, Sunday, and Federal holidays from 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM EST.
 - **Email**
 - <https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/user-support>
 - JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov

Application Assistance and Support (cont.)

OJP Response Center

- Provides solicitation support and general assistance.
- **email** - grants@ncjrs.gov
- **web chat** - <https://webcontact.ncjrs.gov/ncjchat/chat.jsp>
- **toll free** at 800–851–3420;
- **TTY** at 301–240–6310 (hearing impaired only)

The Response Center hours of operation are 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. eastern time, Monday through Friday.

Subscribe

- Subscribe to receive email notifications of new funding opportunities and other resources.
 - Sign-up to receive the twice monthly **JUSTINFO** newsletter as well as the weekly **Funding News** email.
 - Subscribe at <https://www.ojp.gov/subscribe> and be sure to select “Grants/funding” as an area of interest.

Resources for FY 2022 Grant Applicants

- OJP Funding Resource Center
<https://ojp.gov/funding/index.htm>
- DOJ Grants Financial Guide
<https://ojp.gov/financilaguidedojoj/overview>
- DOJ Grants Financial Management Online Training
<https://www.ojp.gov/training/financial-management-training>
- OJP Grant Application Resource Guide
<https://ojp.gov/funding/Apply/Resources/Grant-App-Resource-Guide.htm>

BJA Grant Applicant Education Series

To access previous webinar recordings, transcripts, and slides visit:

<https://www.bja.gov/funding/webinars.html>

Become a peer reviewer

- If you are interested in becoming a peer reviewer, please submit an up-to-date resume or curriculum vitae, including a valid email address, to: BJAreviewer@ojp.usdoj.gov.
- Please put "Peer Reviewer Candidate Resume" in the subject line.

Reminder: Dual Deadlines

Applications will be submitted in a two-step process, each with its own deadline:

- Step 1: Submit an SF-424 and an SF-LLL at [Grants.gov](https://www.Grants.gov)
Deadline – May 31, 2022; 8:59pm ET
- Step 2: Submit the full application, with attachments, at [JusticeGrants.usdoj.gov](https://www.JusticeGrants.usdoj.gov)
Deadline – June 6, 2022; 8:59pm ET

**NOTE: Submission deadline times for both Grants.gov and JustGrants are now 8:59pm ET, not 11:59pm ET as in past years.*

Read the solicitations carefully for further guidance.

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- Text OJP [your email address] to 468-311 to subscribe.
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Social Media

- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/DOJBJA>
- Twitter: <https://twitter.com/DOJBJA>

For information on funding opportunities, publications, and initiatives, visit

BJA's website – <https://bja.ojp.gov>

Quick Reference: Important Contacts



Solicitation Content Assistance

1-800-851-3420

Grants@ncjrs.gov

10-6 EST, M-F



Submit the SF-424 and SF- LLL

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24 hours a day, 7 days a week



JUSTICE GRANTS SYSTEM

Submit full application

1-833-872-5175

JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov

5-9 EST, M-F

9-5 EST, Weekends, Holidays

Questions?

Enter in the Q&A box and send to All Panelists