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**BJA FY 2022 - 2023  
Byrne State Crisis  
Intervention Program  
(SCIP)  
Grantee Orientation  
Webinar**

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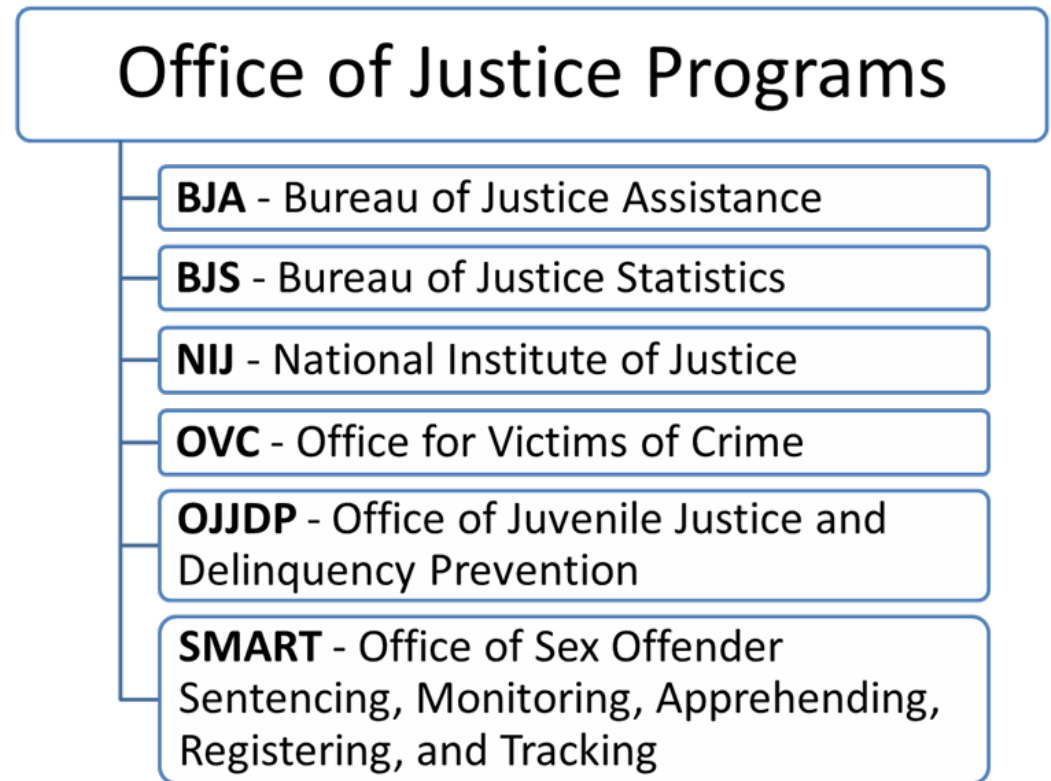
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# What is the Office of Justice Programs?

- The Office of Justice Programs (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).



# U.S. Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance

**Mission:** BJA's mission is to provide leadership and services in grant administration and criminal justice policy development to support state, local, and Tribal justice strategies to achieve safer communities. BJA works with communities, governments, and nonprofit organizations to reduce crime, recidivism, and unnecessary confinement, and promote a safe and fair criminal justice system.

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**BJA Director  
Karhlton F. Moore**

Appointed by President Biden in February 2022, Director Moore leads BJA’s programmatic and policy efforts on providing a wide range of resources, including training and technical assistance, to law enforcement, courts, corrections, treatment, reentry, justice information sharing, and community-based partners to address chronic and emerging criminal justice challenges nationwide.

**Policy Office**

provides national leadership to criminal justice organizations that partner with BJA to identify effective program models for replication and infuse data-driven, evidence-based strategies into operational models, practices, and programs.

**Programs Office**

administers state, local, tribal, and territorial grant programs. It acts as BJA’s direct line of communication to states, local jurisdictions, territories, and tribal governments by providing customer-focused grants management support and careful stewardship over federal funds.

**Operations Office**

coordinates all communication, formulates and executes the budget, manages contracts, measures grantees’ performance, and provides administrative support to BJA.

**Public Safety Officer Benefits Office**

provides death and education benefits to survivors of fallen law enforcement officers, firefighters, and other public safety officers, and disability benefits to officers catastrophically injured in the line of duty.

# Five Major Strategic Focus Areas

Improve public safety through measures which build trust with the community and ensure an effective criminal justice system

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Reduction in recidivism and prevention of unnecessary confinement and interactions with the criminal justice system

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Integration of evidence-based, research-driven strategies into the day-to-day operations of BJA and the programs BJA administers and supports

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Increasing program effectiveness with a renewed emphasis on data analysis, information sharing, and performance management

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Ensuring organizational excellence through outstanding administration and oversight of all of BJA's strategic investments

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**Fund** – Invest diverse funding streams to accomplish goals.

**Educate** – Research, develop, and deliver what works.

**Equip** – Create tools and products to build capacity and improve outcomes.

**Partner** – Consult, connect, and convene.

# Byrne SCIP Orientation Agenda

- Program Overview
- Allowable Activities and Unallowable Costs
- Post Award Program Requirements
- Coordination and Evaluation
- Program Resources





# Byrne SCIP Background

The Bipartisan Safer Communities Act appropriated \$150 million per year for 5 years (FY 2022 – FY 2026) specifically for the new state crisis intervention court proceedings and related program initiatives program area.

To date BJA has made 51 awards for a total of \$238,143,943 under FY 22-23 Byrne SCIP



*Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program funds are **NOT** JAG funds.*

# ALLOWABLE ACTIVITIES



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# Extreme Risk Protection Order Programs (ERPO)

- Implementing ERPO programs
- Training those implementing ERPO programs
  - Training judiciary and court staff on ERPO proceedings
  - Training family members on ERPOs
  - Training first responders on ERPO's
- Communication, education, and public awareness
- **Funds may not be used, either directly or indirectly, to support the enactment, repeal, modification, or adoption of any law, regulation, or policy, at any level of government**

# Related Programs or Initiatives

- Specialized court-based programs such as drug, mental health, and veterans treatment courts, including those that specifically accept clients with firearm violations
- Behavioral health deflection for those at risk to themselves or others
- Funding for law enforcement agencies to safely secure, store, track, and return relinquished guns



# ✘ Unallowable Costs ✘

In addition to the unallowable costs identified in the DOJ Grants Financial Guide , award funds may not be used for the following:

Prizes, rewards, entertainment, trinkets (or any type of monetary incentive)

Client stipends

Gift cards

Food and beverage

Unmanned aircraft systems (UAS), including unmanned aircraft vehicles (UAV) and all accompanying accessories to support UAS or UAV

Supplanting state or local funds

# ✘ Lobbying ✘

- In general, as a matter of federal law, funds may not be used, either directly or indirectly, to support the enactment, repeal, modification, or adoption of any law, regulation, or policy, at any level of government. See [18 U.S.C. 1913](#).
- Should any question arise as to whether a particular use of award funds would or might fall within the scope of these prohibitions, the recipient is to contact BJA for guidance, and may not proceed without the express prior written approval of BJA.
- Recipients and subrecipients must comply with the provisions in [2 C.F.R. § 200.450 \(Lobbying\)](#) and [18 U.S.C. 1913](#), as appropriate. Also, see [Chapter 2.1](#) of the [DOJ Grants Financial Guide](#) for more specifics about restrictions on lobbying.



# POST AWARD PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS



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## Polling Question #1

Is your organization also the SAA for the Byrne JAG award?

- Yes - we manage both Byrne JAG and Byrne SCIP
- No - a different organization is the SAA for Byrne JAG



# Overview of Program Requirements

- **Crisis Intervention Advisory Board:** To inform and guide the state's related gun violence reduction programs/initiatives
- **State Crisis Intervention Program Plan and Budget:** Plans must be expressly approved by BJA post award
- **Pass Through:** Required Direct Local Pass-through & Less than \$10,000 pass-through
- **Authorization of Subawards:** All subawards must be expressly authorized by BJA post award
- **Coordination and Evaluation:** Requirements to cooperate with BJA and its training and technical assistance (TTA) provider(s)
- **Obligations, Expenditures, and Draw Downs:** Funds may be obligated once awards have been offered and accepted, and any award conditions prohibiting obligations have been cleared, including the post-award approval of the program plan and budget
- **Performance Reporting:** Quarterly performance measure reports are submitted through BJA's PMT; Semi-annual progress are submitted through JustGrants





# Crisis Intervention Advisory Board

- Purpose: To inform and guide the state’s gun violence reduction programs/initiatives.
- Mandatory members: Must include representatives from law enforcement, the community, courts, prosecution, behavioral health providers, victim services, and legal counsel.
- The Board representatives are a minimum requirement. States should ensure that representatives from the various potential beneficiaries of this funding are fairly represented.
- Existing advisory boards, task forces, working groups, committees, etc. can meet the Crisis Intervention Advisory Board requirement if the existing entity includes representatives as listed above.
- Advisory Boards must approve/be aware of all changes associated with the award.

## Polling Question #2

Are you using an existing board to meet the Crisis Intervention Advisory Board requirement?

- Yes - the Advisory Board has already met.
- Yes - the Advisory Board has not yet met.
- No - we developed a new Board and have scheduled/held the first meeting.
- No - we are in the process of developing a new Board.



# Program and Budget Plans

- The program and budget plans must be expressly approved by BJA post award via a Grant Award Modification (GAM).
- Using OJP’ s JustGrants (JG) system, the grantee will submit a “**Programmatic Costs**” GAM, marked “**Other**” and with “**Byrne SCIP – Program and Budget Plan**” typed in the available text box.
- The following must be submitted with the GAM:

Document	Content
Program Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Goals for the use of Byrne SCIP funds</li> <li>• Process for making subawards</li> </ul>
Budget Detail Worksheet (BDW)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Budget and narrative breakdown, showing all costs to include admin costs and required pass-through</li> <li>• <a href="https://www.ojp.gov/funding/apply/forms/ojp-budget-detail-worksheet">https://www.ojp.gov/funding/apply/forms/ojp-budget-detail-worksheet</a></li> </ul>
Advisory Board Description	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Description of membership</li> <li>• Governance structure of Advisory Board</li> </ul>
Advisory Board Plan & Approval Letter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Letter confirming coordination in the development of the program plan and budget and approval of submission</li> <li>• Letter should include the following:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Clear confirmation that coordination between the recipient existed</li> <li>○ A clear statement that the board approves the submitted plan</li> <li>○ Include on a letter head</li> <li>○ Include signature/signatures from the advisory board.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

The program and budget plan withholding condition will allow obligations not to exceed \$20,000 for the sole purpose of developing the program and budget plans in coordination with the Crisis Intervention Advisory Board.



# Pass-through Requirements

- Where applicable, states must pass through the 40 percent portion to local governments.
- This 40 percent portion is comprised of the share of funds, proportionately decreased, that was available for direct local JAG awards in FY 2021 and FY 2022 and the share of funds, proportionately decreased, that was added to the state share in FY 2021 and FY 2022 for less-than-\$10,000 jurisdictions.
- Two types of pass-through: Direct Local & Less-than-\$10,000.
- FY 2022 – FY 2023 allocations: <https://bj.a.ojp.gov/funding/fy-2022-2023-byrne-scip-allocations.pdf>.

# Direct Local Pass- through

- The portion of funds allocated for direct awards in the FY 2021 and FY 2022 JAG Program, proportionately decreased by the amount of funds available for Byrne SCIP.
- **MUST** be passed through to units of local government.
- For the purpose of Byrne SCIP, a “unit of local government” is - a city, county, township, town, or certain federally recognized American Indian tribes.
- States are not required to pass funds through to every unit of local government that was eligible for a direct local JAG award in FY 2021 and/or FY 2022
  - States have discretion on the use of the direct local pass-through funds - ***as determined by the Crisis Intervention Advisory Board.***
- This pass-through is **REQUIRED** and is **NOT** eligible for a waiver.





# Less-than- \$10,000 Pass- through

- Consists of funds for those units of local government that were not eligible to receive a direct JAG award in FY 2021 and/or FY 2022, proportionately decreased by the amount of funds available for Byrne SCIP.
- These units of local government are known as the “*less-than-\$10,000*” jurisdictions.
- States must provide these funds to one or more less-than-\$10,000 jurisdictions, or to state courts that provide criminal justice and civil justice services for the “less-than-\$10,000 jurisdictions” within the state and/or subaward the funds to such jurisdictions.
- The less-than-\$10,000 pass-through is eligible for a waiver.





# Less-than-\$10,000 Pass-through

As informed by the Crisis Intervention Advisory Board, states have discretion to utilize the less-than-\$10,000 pass-through funding in several ways:

1. Fund one less-than-\$10,000 jurisdiction.
2. Fund multiple less-than-\$10,000 jurisdictions.
3. Fund state courts that provide criminal justice and civil justice services to the less-than-\$10,000 jurisdictions within the state.
4. Fund a combination of less-than-\$10,000 jurisdiction(s) and state courts that provide criminal justice and civil justice services to the less-than-\$10,000 jurisdictions within the state.
5. Request a waiver to retain the less-than-\$10,000 funds, or a portion thereof, at the state level for a project that would directly benefit less-than-\$10,000 jurisdictions.
6. Any combination of 1 – 5 above.





# Less-than- 10,000 Pass- through Waiver

The less than \$10,000 pass-through requirement is eligible for a waiver to the extent that:

1. The state-administered project will directly benefit a unit of local government, and
2. One unit (or more) of local government voluntarily agrees and acknowledges in an appropriate written certification that the specified amount of state-administered funds would directly benefit the unit of local government in question and agrees that funding the project at the state level is in the best interest of the local government unit.

Waivers must receive express approval from BJA via GAM post-award.

# Less-than \$10,000 Pass-through Waiver Process

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- Using OJP’s JustGrants system, submit a “Programmatic Costs” GAM, marked “Other” and with “Byrne SCIP – Pass-Through Waiver” typed in the available text box.
- Submit the following with the GAM:  
On agency letterhead submit a letter signed by the Byrne SCIP Authorized Representative
  - I. Providing a summary of the project(s) and stipulating that the project(s) will directly benefit one or more units of local government.
  - II. Identify the specific unit(s) of local government that will benefit from the state-administered project(s).
  - III. Attach the certification(s) from the unit(s) of local government.





# Federal Authorization of Subawards

- All subawards must be expressly approved by BJA **post award** via a Grant Award Modification (GAM).
- Please note that even if the proposed subaward is clearly identified in the Budget Detail Worksheet and/or Budget Detail Narrative in the application as approved by OJP, the recipient must request and obtain written authorization from BJA via a GAM before it may make the subaward.
- Requests for subaward authorization must be submitted via a GAM after
  - (1) formation and documentation of the Crisis Intervention Advisory Board
  - (2) BJA's approval of the program plan and budget and removal of the withholding condition.





# Authorization of Subawards GAM Process

To request authorization of subawards, a recipient must:

- Use OJP's JustGrants system to submit a Programmatic "Scope Change" GAM and select "Staff changes that include experiencing or making changes to the organization or staff with primary responsibility for award implementation. These changes can include (choose one): 'Contracting out' and/or 'sub-awarding.'"
- Submit with GAM a letter on agency letterhead signed by the Byrne SCIP Authorized Representative;
  - Summarize the selection process for the subawards included in the request.
  - Lists the one or more units of local government that will be issued subawards, along with their proposed award amounts and project periods
  - Includes a description of the proposed subaward(s) and the subaward budget(s).

# Obligations and Expenditures

- Funds may be obligated once awards have been offered and accepted, and any award conditions prohibiting obligations have been cleared, including the post-award approval of the program plan and budget.
- The program and budget plan withholding condition will allow obligations not to exceed \$20,000 for the sole purpose of developing the program and budget plans in coordination with the Crisis Intervention Advisory Board.



# Draw Downs

- Drawdowns must be based upon the immediate disbursement/reimbursement requirements. Funds will not be paid in a lump sum but rather will be disbursed over time as program costs are incurred or anticipated.
- Drawdown requests should be timed to ensure that federal cash on hand is the minimum needed for disbursements/reimbursements to be made immediately or within 10 days. If not spent or disbursed within 10 days, funds must be returned to the awarding agency.
- **IMPORTANT NOTE:** The immediate disbursement/reimbursement requirement applies to ALL BJA awards, except for JAG formula grants and Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding grants.



# Coordination and Evaluation

- Requirement to cooperate with BJA and its training and technical assistance (TTA) provider(s) to ensure that programs funded by Byrne SCIP are designed to protect the constitutional rights of individuals.
- Requirement to cooperate with the statutorily required evaluation activities as part of the terms and conditions of the award.
- Applicants may budget and allocate grant funding to meet the specific research and programmatic requirements regarding:
  - The effectiveness of the crisis intervention program or ERPO initiative in preventing violence and suicide
  - Measures that have been taken to safeguard the constitutional rights of an individual subject to a crisis intervention program or ERPO initiative
- Use of grant funds for a research partner are encouraged.



# Performance Management Team Agenda

- Performance Management at the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)
- Benefits to Grantees
- Data Reporting: What, Where, When, and How
- Program Specific Questionnaire
- Data Reporting Best Practices
- Contact Information and Resources





# What is Performance Management at BJA?

- **Performance management is the process** by which grantees regularly collect data on their grant activities to determine whether they are implementing activities as intended and achieving their desired goals and objectives.
- **BJA has established performance measures in the form of questionnaires for each grant program.** These measures help capture inputs, outputs, and outcomes over time and enable pre- and post-comparisons that can be used to facilitate change, as needed. Each program will be provided their respective questionnaire by BJA.
- **BJA grantees report on their activities** on a periodic basis throughout the life of their grant.
- **For more information, we invite you to visit** the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) Grant Performance Measurement and Progress Reporting Information Portal at [ojp.gov/performance](https://ojp.gov/performance) and BJA Performance Measures site at <https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/performance-measures/overview>.

# Why Performance Measures?

## Purpose for BJA:



Identify areas of success and potential areas of improvement



Track grant activity and progress toward program goals



Understand how funds are distributed



Comply with the law

## Benefit to Grantees:



Identify areas for improvement to focus internal efforts



Promote ability to proactively request training and technical assistance to address challenges



Generate evidence of progress toward program goals, which can enhance resource advocacy for sustainability

# Reporting Data

## What?

What do I report?

## Where?

Where do I report?

## When?

When do I report?

## How?

How do I report?



# What Data Will I Need to Report?

**Performance measures:** The performance measures for your program are a series of questions that measure outcomes of grant activities and demonstrate accomplishment of goals and objectives of BJA's programs.

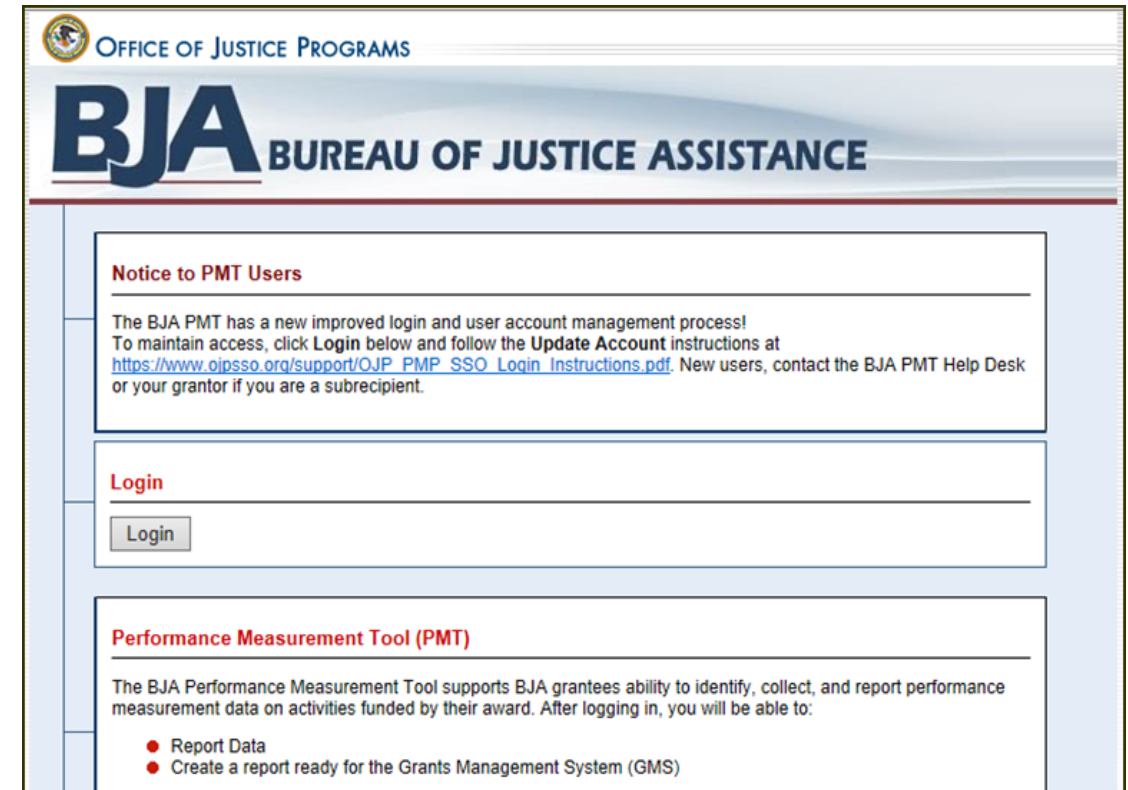
**Narrative questions:** A series of narrative questions related to your specific goals, objectives, barriers, and successes are also provided to be used for data reporting.





# Where Do I Report?

- BJA's Performance Measurement Tool (PMT) is one of the online tools that facilitates performance reporting for BJA.
- *Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program grantees report performance measures quarterly (Jan/April/July/Oct) in the PMT until further notice.*
- The report generated by the PMT is then [uploaded into the Justice Grants system \(JustGrants\)](#) twice a year (January/July).
- Access the PMT at: <https://ojpsso.ojp.gov/>



The screenshot shows the BJA PMT login page. At the top, it says "OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS" and "BJA BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE". Below this, there is a "Notice to PMT Users" section with a red heading. The notice text reads: "The BJA PMT has a new improved login and user account management process! To maintain access, click Login below and follow the Update Account instructions at [https://www.ojpsso.org/support/OJP\\_PMP\\_SSO\\_Login\\_Instructions.pdf](https://www.ojpsso.org/support/OJP_PMP_SSO_Login_Instructions.pdf). New users, contact the BJA PMT Help Desk or your grantor if you are a subrecipient." Below the notice is a "Login" section with a red heading and a "Login" button. At the bottom, there is a "Performance Measurement Tool (PMT)" section with a red heading. The text reads: "The BJA Performance Measurement Tool supports BJA grantees ability to identify, collect, and report performance measurement data on activities funded by their award. After logging in, you will be able to:" followed by two bullet points: "• Report Data" and "• Create a report ready for the Grants Management System (GMS)".

# When Do I Report?

Reporting Period	Data Required	PMT Deadline	Upload to JustGrants?
October 1–December 31	Performance Measures and Narrative Questions	January 30	Yes January 30
January 1–March 31	Performance Measures	April 30	No
April 1–June 30	Performance Measures and Narrative Questions	July 30	Yes July 30
July 1–September 30	Performance Measures	October 30	No
Last Reporting Period of Award	Performance Measures, Narrative Questions, and Closeout Questions	120 Days After Award End Date	Yes 120 Days After Award End Date

# How Do I Report?

**Link to Performance Measures**

**Questionnaire:**

<https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/performance-measures/byrne-scip-measures.pdf>

**Access the PMT:** <https://ojpssso.ojp.gov/>

**PMT Helpdesk Contact Information:**

[bjapmt@usdoj.gov](mailto:bjapmt@usdoj.gov)

## Reporting Tip:

You can use the questionnaire as a guide to track relevant data in your files in the time interval that is easiest for you. When it is time to report in the PMT, you can add those figures to get your reporting period totals.

# Byrne SCIP Questionnaire Structure

The Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program questionnaire contains performance measures and narrative (goals and objectives) questions.

- General Award Administration
- Grant Activity
- Partnership Activities
- Program Overview
- Crisis intervention Programs and Other Related Programs and Initiatives
- Extreme Risk Protection Orders
- Training and Technical Assistance
- Semiannual Narrative Questions

# Best Practices for Setting Goals

- **Well-defined goals** clarify priorities and establish criteria for success.
- **Set SMART goals** to clarify the scope of your priorities.
- **Reevaluate goals semiannually** to determine whether changes to program priorities and activities require updates.
- **Use data** to understand your progress toward your goals and make course corrections as needed.

**S**



**SPECIFIC**

State exactly what you want to accomplish

**M**



**MEASUREABLE**

Use smarter, mini-goals to measure progress

**A**



**ACHIEVABLE**

Make your goal reasonable

**R**



**RELEVANT**

Align your goals to the overarching program objectives

**T**



**TIME-BOUND**

Give yourself time, but set a deadline



# Defining Goals and Objectives

## SMART Goal Examples

- “Implement a crisis intervention program utilizing risk assessment tools and community treatment programs to assist individuals experiencing crises.”
- “Increase the number of guns removed from people who pose a threat to themselves or others.”
- “Decrease the number of people at risk to themselves or others from accessing firearms.”

## Great Goals but Needs

### Improvement

- “Held a community meeting”
- “Interviewed community members”
- “Implemented a program”

# Data Quality Best Practices

- Designate staff for coordination of the performance data collection.
- Review the performance measure questionnaire before entering data.
- Ensure that designated staff participate in trainings.
- Review, edit, and validate data with subrecipients before submission, if applicable
- Be mindful of the validation alerts built into the reporting systems.



# Upcoming PMT Training

- Byrne SCIP PMT Training April 11<sup>th</sup> at 1pm EST

<https://ojp.webex.com/weblink/register/rb31e4732afca617d15b3649234f185da>

# Contact Information and Resources



## BJA PMT HELPDESK

Monday–Friday

8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m. Eastern Time

Closed on federal holidays

*[bjapmt@ojp.usdoj.gov](mailto:bjapmt@ojp.usdoj.gov)*

## WEBSITES

- [Office of Justice Programs](#)
- [BJA Performance Measures](#)
- [OJP Grant Performance Measurement and Progress Reporting Information Portal](#)
- [Performance Measurement Tool](#)
- [BJA YouTube Channel](#)

Thank you for your hard work and dedication!

# TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE



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# TTA Overview

**Category 1:** Developing and supporting extreme risk protection order programs.

**Category 2:** Supporting state, local, and tribal courts implementing safer communities.

**Category 3:** Implementing safer communities training and technical assistance

# Category 1: The Johns Hopkins Center for Gun Violence Solutions

- The Johns Hopkins Center for Gun Violence Solutions (CGVS) combines the expertise of leading gun violence researchers with skills of experienced advocates to advance equitable policies that reduce gun violence.

# Category 1: The Johns Hopkins Center for Gun Violence Solutions

- The CGVS team has engaged with advocates and policymakers in all jurisdictions that have passed ERPO in the last decade, testified before the US Congress and numerous state legislators, and continues to engage with implementers across the US.
- CGVS is partnering with the National Criminal Justice Association for Category 1 efforts.

# Category 1: The Johns Hopkins Center for Gun Violence Solutions

## Category 1 Activities:

- Create an ERPO Resource Center
- Develop and Disseminate Trainings
- Support States in Establishing ERPO Initiatives
- Identify Model Learning Sites
- Host a National ERPO Implementation Convening



# Category 2: National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges

NCJFCJ's mission is to provide all judges, courts, and related agencies involved with juvenile, family, and domestic violence cases with the knowledge and skills to improve the lives of the families and children who seek justice.

The Safer Communities Court Capacity Project design reflects the relevant work that the NCJFCJ has led at the nexus of firearms, judicial leadership, and court practice.



# Category 2: National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges

The NCJFCJ Safe Communities Court Capacity Project will be informed by diverse, expert partners representing varied critical perspectives on judicial leadership, court management, litigant rights, law enforcement initiatives, behavioral health responses, and evidence-based policies. Partners include:

- The Alliance of Local Service Providers (ALSO)
- The Association of Prosecuting Attorneys
- The Battered Women’s Justice Project
- Giffords Law Center to Prevent Gun Violence
- Johns Hopkins Center for Gun Violence Solutions
- Center for Justice Innovation
- King County’s Regional Domestic Violence Firearms Enforcement Unit
- National Alliance on Mental Illness
- National Association for Court Management
- National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers
- National Criminal Justice Association
- Small and Rural Law Enforcement Executives Association
- Tribal Legal Policy Institute
- Additional expert consultants to include judicial leaders, behavioral health experts and court security consultants.

# Category 2: National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges

Category 2 activities:

1. Create a judicial resource center to assist state, local, and tribal courts in assessing and responding to court-involved individuals who may pose a risk to themselves or others with a firearm
2. Develop training for court staff and judicial officers regarding firearms laws and best-practice, especially as they apply to court-involved individuals in crisis
3. Create and pilot a Court Self-Assessment Protocol to deepen courts' capacities to identify and respond to court-involved individuals in crisis
4. Develop and disseminate a Judicial Toolkit on Firearms and Crisis Intervention (Judicial Toolkit) and other resources

# Category 3: NCJA Center for Justice Planning

## Background

- NCJA is a not-for-profit, non-partisan, member association and technical assistance provider dedicated to assisting criminal justice agencies in the development and implementation of effective criminal justice policy. Members represent all facets of the criminal and juvenile justice community, including law enforcement, corrections, prosecution, defense, courts, victim and witness services, and academics, as well as elected officials.
- Longstanding technical assistance provider for Byrne JAG SAAs, the NCJA Center for Justice Planning team consists of experienced planners with backgrounds in local justice systems, data management and analysis, training, law enforcement programs, pretrial justice, behavioral health and substance use disorders and more. We are committed, individually and as a team, to helping justice systems find safe, fair and efficient solutions to their challenges.

# Category 3: NCJA Center for Justice Planning

## Category 3 activities:

- Develop and administer individual state assessment tools to ascertain existing crisis intervention programs, gaps, and needs
- Assist in creating and implementing individual state work plans based on individual site assessments and recommendations from the project team, SAAs, and stakeholders. Support states in the creation and engagement of their Byrne SCIP advisory boards
- Provide direct and tailored TTA to address evolving challenges, priorities, and lessons learned, to Byrne SCIP and Byrne JAG grantees
- Onsite and virtual TTA through peer-to-peer engagement, training, and webinars to guide states' exploration, implementation, or enhancement of appropriate strategies and highlight promising practices
- Online dashboard for each state

## SECTION 6

# RESOURCES AND QUESTIONS



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# Frequently Asked Questions

## [Byrne SCIP Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\)](https://bja.ojp.gov/doc/byrne-scip-faq.pdf)

<https://bja.ojp.gov/doc/byrne-scip-faq.pdf>

Questions and answers range from general solicitation information to detailed program requirements.



### Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program Frequently Asked Questions

*Updated December 2022*

- 1. What is the purpose of the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) FY 2022 - 2023 Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (Byrne SCIP)?**

The purpose of Byrne SCIP is to provide funding for the creation and/or implementation of state crisis intervention court proceedings, extreme risk protection order (ERPO) programs, and related gun violence reduction programs/initiatives, as authorized by the Bipartisan Safer Communities Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2022 (Pub. L. No. 117-159, 136 Stat. 1313, 1339); 28 U.S.C. 530C.
- 2. Who is eligible to apply for Byrne SCIP funds?**

Only states may apply under this program, and a state must designate a single State Administering Agency (SAA) that has authority to apply on its behalf. For the purposes of Byrne SCIP, the term "states" includes the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Northern Mariana Islands, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, and American Samoa. Throughout the Byrne SCIP solicitation, each reference to a "state" or "states" includes all 56 jurisdictions. The expected eligible allocations by state for fiscal year (FY) 2022 - 2023 Byrne SCIP can be found at: <https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/fy-2022-2023-byrne-scip-allocations.pdf>.
- 3. Who is eligible to receive subawards under Byrne SCIP?**

Subrecipients may include but are not limited to courts (state, county, local, and tribal), institutes of higher learning, law enforcement, supervision agencies, prosecutors, public defenders, behavioral health, emergency communications, etc.
- 4. How do I apply for Byrne SCIP funds?**

Applications will be submitted to DOJ in two steps:  
**Step 1:** The applicant must submit by the Grants.gov deadline the required Application for Federal Assistance standard form (SF)-424 and a Disclosure of Lobbying Activities

# Resources



## DOJ and DOJ-funded Resources

- [BJA Adult Drug Court Program](#)
- [BJA Veterans Treatment Court Program](#)
- [BJA Community Courts Program](#)
- [BJA Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program](#)
- [BJA National Training and Technical Assistance Center](#)
- [Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention](#)
- [Gun Court Literature Review](#)
- [National Resource Center on Domestic Violence and Firearms](#)
- [Safer Families, Safer Communities \(A project of the National Resource Center on Domestic Violence and Firearms\)](#)

## Other Resources

- [Johns Hopkins Center for Gun Violence Prevention and Policy: ERPO](#)
- [National Guidelines for Behavioral Health Crisis Care Best Practice Toolkit](#)
- [Maryland Department of Health ERPO Informational Toolkit](#)

# Resources

- [BJA Website](#)
- [Office of Justice Programs – Award Data](#)
- [OJP Grant Application Resource Guide](#)
- [Submit a Success Story](#)
- [Byrne SCIP Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\)](#)
- [BJA Performance Reporting Resources](#)
- [JustGrants Training Resources](#)



# Questions?

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