## FY 2023 THE PRICE OF JUSTICE: RETHINKING THE CONSEQUENCES OF FINES AND FEES PROGRAM



into activities shown to have a

greater return on public safety.

Who May Apply:	Small businesses; For-profit organizations other than small businesses; Nonprofits with or without 501(c)(3) status, other than institutions of higher education; Native American tribal governments (other than federally recognized tribal governments); Private, public, and state-controlled institutions of higher education	
Why Apply:	Receive funding to work with jurisdictions to analyze their usage of fines and fees and implement a plan to ensure they are being imposed in a constitutional and nondiscriminatory way.	
Maximum per Award:	Up to \$2,500,000	
BJA encourages the following entities to apply:	<ul> <li>Agencies that have not received BJA funding before.</li> <li>Convening or governing bodies that can apply on behalf of one or more entities.</li> </ul>	
Examples of strategies/ activities that can be funded:	<ul> <li>Create and implement a plan to align the usage of fines and fees with constitutional principles and civil rights statutes.</li> <li>Reduce the disproportionate</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Assist jurisdictions in reducing jailing and other sanctions for failure to pay.</li> <li>Redirect the resources used to effectuate assessment and</li> </ul>
	impact of fines and fees on	collection of fines and fees

communities impacted by

 Assist jurisdictions in reducing reliance on fines and fees to

poverty and inequality.

fund their operations.

Where to get more information about this opportunity:

Visit <u>bja.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o-bja-2023-171758</u> for the program's full funding information.

## **Tips for Success:**

- Start early! To apply, you must first have a valid registration in the System for Award Management (SAM). Registration and renewal can take up to 10 business days to complete. Register at: <a href="mailto:sam.gov/content/home">sam.gov/content/home</a>.
- For questions about the program's requirements or the application process, see the full solicitation's cover page at: <a href="mailto:bja.ojp.gov/funding/O-BJA-2023-171758.pdf">bja.ojp.gov/funding/O-BJA-2023-171758.pdf</a> for information on who to contact.
- Visit BJA Funding Webinars at: <a href="mailto:bja.ojp.gov/events/funding-webinars">bja.ojp.gov/events/funding-webinars</a>
   and review the "Federal Funding Process: First Steps to Applying, How to Prepare Now, and Other Considerations."
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  Justice Programs, sign up to receive JUSTINFO at: <a href="www.ojp.gov/news/justinfo">www.ojp.gov/news/justinfo</a> and/or the weekly Funding News at: <a href="public.govdelivery.com/accounts/USDOJOJP">public.govdelivery.com/accounts/USDOJOJP</a> COMMS/subscriber/new?topic id=USDOJOJP
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## How to apply and when:

Submit a two-step application.

- (1) Register in <u>Grants.gov</u> and follow the prompts to submit two forms by July 6, 2023.
- (2) Then complete the full application in <u>JustGrants.usdoj.gov</u> by July 13, 2023. The application's major elements are:
  - (a) The **proposal abstract** that summarizes the problem you wish to address with your project (no more than 400 words).
  - (b) The **proposal narrative** that describes your project's strategies, activities, and major deliverables as well as your capacity to address the problem.
  - (c) The **web-based budget** form that details how you will allocate the grant funds by task, date, and responsible person.

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