BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE

FY 2024 BYRNE DISCRETIONARY COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING/ BYRNE DISCRETIONARY GRANT PROGRAM SOLICITATION WEBINAR

April 30, 2024







# Information for Today's Webinar

BJA will post FY 24 webinar materials to the Byrne Discretionary Grant Program webpage in the coming weeks:

- Recording
- Transcript
- Slides

### **Byrne Discretionary Grant Program**

https://bja.ojp.gov/program/byrnediscretionary/overview

### **Byrne Discretionary Grant Program FAQs**

https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/byrne-discretionary-faq.pdf

#### Byrne Discretionary Grant Program

Access Program FAQs

#### **Overview** *S*

This program supports projects designated for funding in the Consolidated Appropriations Act 2022 (Public Law 117-103) that improve the functioning of the criminal justice system, prevent or combat juvenile delinquency, and assist victims of crime (other than compensation). 0 View <u>program</u> <u>FAQs</u>.

#### FY 2023 Opportunity and Appropriations &

FY 2023 Invited to Apply - Byrne Discretionary Community Project Funding/Byrne Discretionary Grants Program:

- Grants.gov Deadline: April 14, 2023
- JustGrants Deadline: April 17, 2023
- Solicitation webinar held February 16, 2023 access the webinar recording and materials

View the Byrne Discretionary Grant Programs FY 2023 Project List for details about recipients and projects

#### Program Eligibility &

Eligible applicants are limited to those identified in the Congressional Joint Explanatory Statement (JES) for the projects designated for funding. The legal name (or "doing business as" name) associated with the applicant's unique entity identifier (UEI) as registered in the System of Award Management must coincide with the recipient listed in the JES.

#### Informational Webinars @

On August 29, 2023, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) personnel hosted the FY 2023 Byrne Discretionary Grant Program: New Grantee Orientation webinar. Webinar materials:

Watch the recording



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Agenda

Welcome and Introduction to OJP and BJA

FY 2024 Byrne Discretionary Grant Program Overview

**Eligibility & Application Requirements** 

**Post-Award Considerations** 

**Application Resources** 



# **Poll Question** Has your organization been awarded federal grants in the past?

Yes, my organization has extensive experience with federal grants.

Yes, though my organization does not currently have any federal grants.

My organization has limited experience with federal grants.

My organization is new to federal grants and looking to learn more!

### **SECTION 1**

# WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION





### 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 grantmaking components of the Department of Justice along with the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) and the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS).



Registering, and Tracking

Office of Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitorir Apprehending, Registering, and Tracking



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

https://bja.ojp.gov/





### How BJA Supports the Field







### Investments

Provide diverse funding to accomplish goals.

### **Sharing Knowledge**

Research, develop, and deliver what works to build capacity and improve outcomes.

### Engagement

Consult, connect, and convene.

### **SECTION 1**

# FY 2024 BYRNE DISCRETIONARY GRANT PROGRAM OVERVIEW







# FY 2024 Byrne Discretionary Grant Program

- Community projects designated for funding in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024 (Public Law 118-42).
- Funding will only be provided for the specific projects and amounts designated, as specified in the Joint Explanatory Statement (JES), which is incorporated by reference into Public Law No. 118–42.
- Only recipients invited to apply are eligible for this funding.

Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024 (Public Law 118-42): https://www.congress.gov/bill/118th-congress/housebill/4366

List of OJP-Byrne Projects: <u>https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/fy24-</u> <u>byrne-discretionary-projects.pdf</u>



# Why Must I Apply Again?

- Congressional members solicited community project applications from constituents and liaised with federal agencies on topic area for the projects.
- Congress authorized funding for selected projects under relevant federal grant programs.
- OJP must issue and administer community project funding directed to the agency as a federal grant.
- All federal grants require an application to be a recipient of federal funding. This is a non-competitive grant program.





# FY 2024 Byrne Discretionary Grants

OJP is issuing four identical solicitations for Congressionally-directed community project funding, based on the program office they are assigned. Applicants must apply to the correct opportunity ID per email instructions:

- <u>BJA:</u> O-BJA-2024-172101
- <u>OJJDP:</u> O-OJJDP-2024-172105
- <u>OVC:</u> O-OVC-2024-172106
- <u>NIJ:</u> O-NIJ-2024-172109

**TIP:** Search by the Opportunity ID in grants.gov, not by program name, to ensure you are applying for the correct solicitation.





# **Period of Performance**

- Awards will be issued with a period of performance start date of March 9, 2024, unless applicants request a later start date but no later than October 1, 2024.
- Applicants can request a 12 to 48-month project period. You should request the time anticipated to complete the project.
- Costs incurred on/after project start date but prior to issuance of an award and approval of a project budget <u>may</u> be reimbursed, but are incurred at the applicant's own risk, as authorized costs will be limited to those approved by OJP.





### **Changes to Project Activities or Costs**

**Q:** When we submitted our community project to Congress, we included activities and associated budget costs. Can we modify or replace these items in the grant application?

A: It depends. The grant can only fund activities clearly supported by the project title in the JES. If the proposed activities/costs support the project title, you may include them in the grant application, even if different than what was proposed to Congress.

#### **Example**

**JES Project Title**: Purchase of Body-Worn Cameras (BWCs)

#### Allowable Changes

- ✓ Quantity of BWCs
- Quantity or type of BWC accessories
- Functionality changes

#### **Unallowable Changes**

- X Adding in-car cameras to project
- X Paying OT to LEOs using BWCs

### **SECTION 3**

# ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS





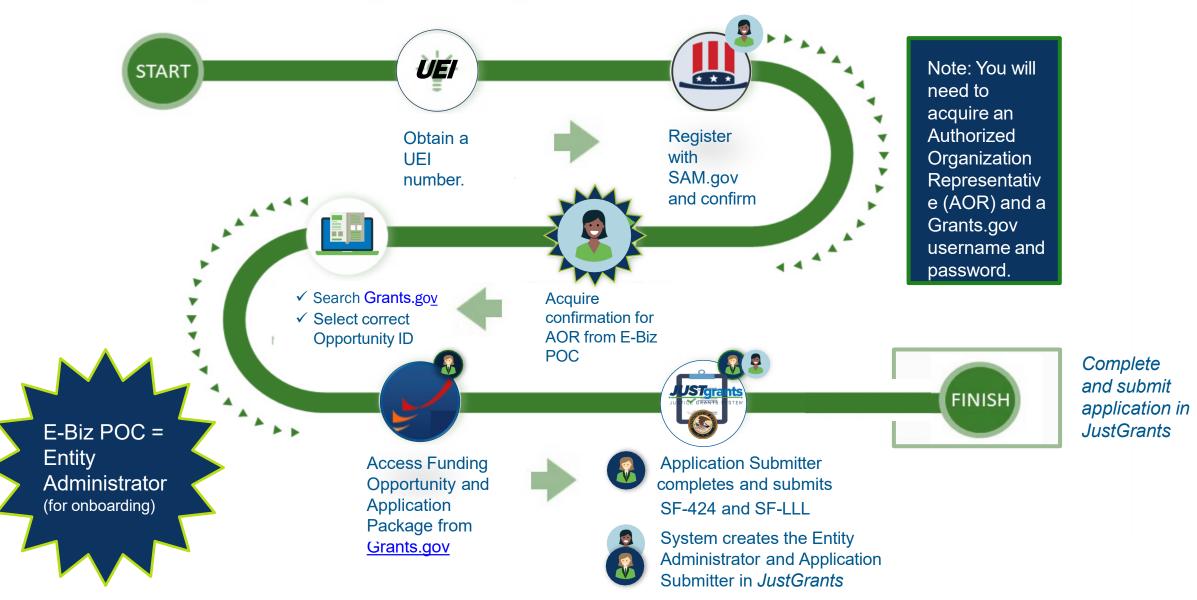


# **Application Steps**

Step 1: After registering with SAM.gov, the applicant must submit the SF-424 and SF-LLL in Grants.gov at https://grants.gov/register by the Grants.gov deadline, 8:59 PM Eastern on May 23, 2024

**Step 2:** submit the **full application**, including attachments, in JustGrants at JustGrants.usdoj.gov by the JustGrants deadline, 8:59 PM Eastern on June 6, 2024

### Onboarding: From <u>Grants.gov</u> to <u>JustGrants</u>





# System for Award Management (SAM.gov)

- You must have an active registration in the System for Award Management (www.sam.gov) to apply and receive funding through Grants.gov and JustGrants. If your agency already has an active SAM registration, no additional action needed.
- If your agency does not have an active SAM registration or it will expire soon, you must register or renew. It can take 10-15 business days to complete.





# Step 1: Grants.Gov

All DOJ applications are initiated in Grants.gov with submission of the SF-424 and SF-LLL.

- Search by the Opportunity ID sent to you in the email invitation, to ensure you are applying for the correct solicitation.
- Grants.gov can take up to 72 hours to validate an application (workspace) and pass to JustGrants. You will receive email verification when submitted successfully





### **SEARCH GRANTS**

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#### **BASIC SEARCH CRITERIA:**



For access or technical issues with Grants.gov, please contact their help desk at 1-800-518-4726 or <a href="https://gditshared.servicenowservices.com/hhs\_grants">https://gditshared.servicenowservices.com/hhs\_grants</a>



### SF-424 Form

#### Submit in Grants.gov.

- **<u>Box 8f</u>**: Point of contact (POC) name and email address should be for the person who will be responsible for completing the full application in JustGrants.
- <u>Box 15:</u> Enter the project title exactly as it appears in the JES.
- <u>Box 18a:</u> Enter the appropriated \$ amount exactly as it appears in the JES.
- **Box 19:** Program **is** covered by Order 12372. Answer A and enter date submitted to SPOC or answer B if your state does not participate.

13. Competition Identification Number:			
Title:			
14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):			
Add Attachment Delete Attachment			
* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:			
ENTER PROJECT TITLE EXACTLY AS IT APPEARS IN THE JOINT EXPLANATORY STATEMENT			
Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.			
Add Attachments Delete Attachments View Attachments			

TIP: Only highlighted/outlined fields are required.

Refer to SF-424 instructions at <u>https://apply07.grants.gov/apply/forms/instructions/SF424\_4\_0-V4.0-</u> Instructions.pdf.

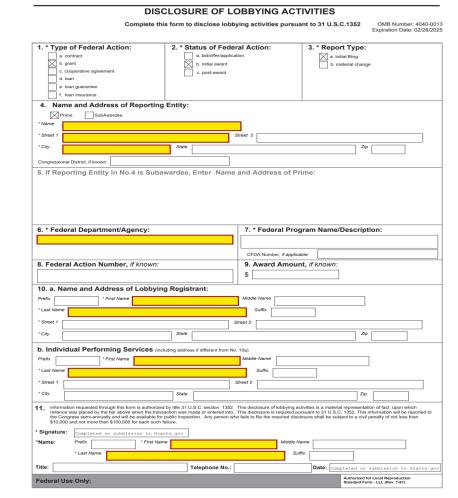


### **SF-LLL Form**

#### Submit in Grants.gov

Did your agency pay \*with its own funds\* an outside lobbyist to influence Congress and/or the federal government on your behalf for this particular project?

- If No, enter "not applicable" or "NA" in the required fields for boxes 10a and 10b.
- If yes, enter the requested information for the registered lobbying entity in box 10a and the individual lobbyist in box 10b.
- Do NOT enter your name in box 10a or 10b.



TIP: Only highlighted/outlined fields are required

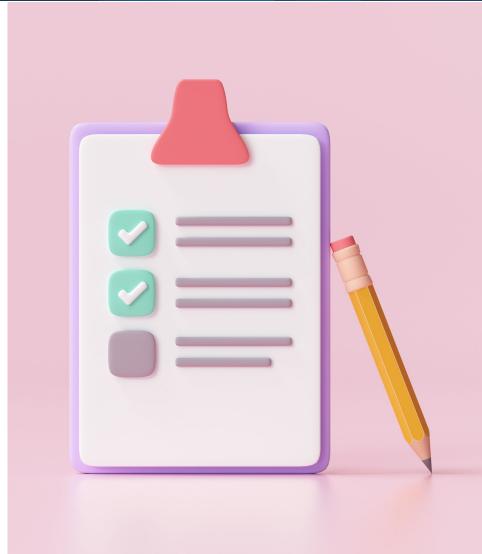
**REMINDER!** Use of federal funds for lobbying or fundraising is strictly prohibited.



# Step 2: JustGrants

After submission of the SF-424 and SF-LLL in Grants.gov, the application will migrate to JustGrants for completion of full application:

- ✓ Confirmation of standard application information (data transferred from SF-424)
- ✓Abstract
- ✓Proposal narrative/Goals and timeline
- ✓Budget
- ✓Financial Management Questionnaire
- ✓Indirect cost attachment (if applicable)
- ✓ Research and evaluation attachment (if applicable)
- $\checkmark \textsc{Disclosures}$  and Assurances





### Abstract

### Submit in JustGrants

Cut-and-paste from a Word document or type directly into text field in the JustGrants application.

#### No more than <u>400</u> words

Summarize the proposed project, including its purpose, primary activities, expected outcomes, the service area, intended beneficiaries, and subrecipients (if known).



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#### **Acquisition of Patrol Vehicles**

#### **Award Information**

Awardee: Award #: Funding Category: Noncompetitive Location: Awardee County: Congressional District: Status: Open Funding First Awarded: 2023 Total funding (to date): \$ Original Solicitation: FY 2023 Invited to Apply — Byrne Discretionary Community Project Funding/Byrne Discretionary Grants Program

#### Description of original award (Fiscal Year 2023, \$123,000)

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Sheriff's office responds to all calls that a full service Police department responds to including threats, such as terrorism, natural disasters, violent crime and mass shootings, as well as court ordered transports and civil process. Some of the vehicles in its fleet are approaching 200,000 miles as well as high idling hours.

**REMINDER!** Abstracts will be released publicly – do not include any personally identifiable information or contact information.



# **Proposal Narrative**

### **Submit in JustGrants**

Self-created file (e.g., in Word) that follows solicitation instructions.

### **Proposal narrative should include 4 sections:**

- I. Description of the Issue
- II. Project Design and Implementation
- **III.** Capabilities and Competencies
- IV. Plan for Collecting the Performance Data

The Goals, Objectives, Deliverables, and Timeline Web-Based Form should be completed in JustGrants.





### **Budget: Allowable Costs**

- All costs must be reasonable, allocable, and necessary.
- Costs must be allowable under the program and per 2 CFR 200 & DOJ Financial Guide requirements.
- Funds cannot be used to supplant (replace) local or state funding.

#### Per the FY 2024 Solicitation:

Funding will only be provided for the specific projects in the amounts designated in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024 (Public Law 118–42). Thus, the costs in the budget must clearly support the project description found in the JES.

No funds provided under this program may be used, directly or indirectly, to provide any security enhancements or any equipment to any nongovernmental entity that is not engaged in criminal justice or public safety.

Monetary incentives (rewards, prizes, trinkets, gift cards, and entertainment), participant stipends, and food and beverage are prohibited.



# **Budget: Prohibited Expenditures, EO 14074**

Consistent with <u>Executive Order 14074</u> of May 25, 2022, "Advancing Effective, Accountable Policing and Criminal Justice Practices To Enhance Public Trust and Public Safety," **OJP has <u>prohibited</u> the use of OJP grant funds for the purchase of the following equipment.** 

Firearms and ammunition .50 or + caliber	Bayonets
Firearm silencers	Aircraft that are combat-configured or combat-coded*
Weaponized vehicles (including aircraft/vessels), drones, and weapons systems	Long-range acoustic devices that do not have a commercial application
Grenades and launchers (including stun and flash- bang)	Camouflage-patterned uniforms intended for law enforcement use in urban or populous areas*
Explosives (except for use by accredited bomb squads and explosive detection canine training)	Tracked and armored vehicles, and any vehicles that do not have a commercial application*

Unmanned aerial vehicles/systems (UAV/UAS) and all related accessories (Prohibited by OJP/BJA Policy)

\*For full details: https://www.ojp.gov/funding/explore/prohibited-and-controlled-equipment



# **Budget: Controlled Expenditures, EO 14074**

Consistent with <u>Executive Order 14074</u> of May 25, 2022, "Advancing Effective, Accountable Policing and Criminal Justice Practices To Enhance Public Trust and Public Safety," **the use of OJP grant funds for the purchase of the following equipment is** <u>controlled</u>, and recipients may not obligate, expend, or draw down funds for items on the controlled equipment list without express prior written approval post-award.

Explosives and pyrotechnics	Manned aircraft, fixed and/or rotary wing
Specialized firearms and ammunition under .50 caliber. This excludes service-issued handguns, rifles, or shotguns that are issued or approved by the agency to be used during the course of regularly assigned duties.	Tactical Vehicles, wheeled (A vehicle purpose-built to operate on- and off-road in support of military operations, such as a HMMWV ("Humvee"), 2.5ton truck, 5-ton truck, or a vehicle with a breaching or entry apparatus attached).*

Command and/or Control Vehicles (Any wheeled vehicle either purpose-built or modified to facilitate the operational control and direction of public safety units responding to an incident)\*

#### \*For full details: https://www.ojp.gov/funding/explore/prohibited-and-controlled-equipment

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# Budget

### Submit in JustGrants using the web-based form

- Itemize costs per budget category, per project year
- Provide detail narrative for each cost in each category, including breakdown of costs as needed
  - Unit/Hourly Cost x Quantity = Total
- Costs can be estimates
- Do not include non-federal (match) costs in the budget, match is not required
  - If you include a non-federal match, you will be required to contribute that amount to the project

#### **Budget Detail Summary View**

	Budget Category
Þ	Personnel
F	Fringe Benefits
Þ	Travel
Þ	Equipment
Þ	Supplies
Þ	Construction
Þ	SubAwards
Þ	Procurement Contracts
Þ	Other Costs
•	Indirect Costs

### The federal budget request must equal your appropriation funding exactly!



# **Budget Clearance**

OJP must "clear" your application budget. If we cannot do so prior to award, a hold will be placed on your funding until the budget is revised post-award.

### <u>TIPS</u>

- Provide a detailed justification in the narrative section for each category and for each year of the award.
- Provide a breakdown of costs in the narrative to account for the individual component rates that comprise of the overall rate.
  - <u>Example:</u> FICA 7.65%, retirement 12.35%, health insurance 15% = 35% Fringe Rate



- Input costs in the proper category (e.g., any costs to be incurred by a subrecipient should be in the subaward category).
- **DO NOT** include unallowable costs or costs that do not support the project.



### **Financial Management Controls Questionnaire**

### Submit in JustGrants web-based form

- To be filled out by an individual with direct knowledge of your organization's financial management internal controls (e.g., Finance Director, CFO, etc.)
- Includes applicant disclosure of high-risk status
- Used to evaluate an applicant's risk, as required under 2 CFR 200.206.
- An incomplete or blank form may result in a delay in issuing your award and/or prevent your ability to access grant funds.

For purposes of this questionnaire, an accepted auditing standards (GAAS) or audit report with an opinion.				
10. Has the applicant entity undergone any of the following types of aut				
<ul> <li>"Single Audit" under OMB A-133 or</li> <li>Financial Statement Audit</li> <li>Defense Contract Agency Audit (DO</li> <li>Other Audit &amp; Agency (list type of a</li> </ul>	CAA)			
None (if none, skip to question 13)				
11. Most Recent Audit Report Issued:	Within the last Within 12 months 2 year			
Name of Audit Agency/Firm:				



### Indirect Cost Rate Agreement

If opting to allocate indirect costs in your budget, there are 2 options:

- Submit a current, unexpired federally approved indirect cost (IDC) rate agreement in your JustGrants application; or
- Elect to use the 'de minimis" IDC rate, which is 10% of Modified Total Direct Costs (MTDC), if eligible.
  - Your organization is eligible to use the deminimis IDC rate if it has never received a federally negotiated ICR for any federal award <u>AND</u> if the organization is receiving less than \$35 million in direct federal funding in the fiscal year the deminimis ICR is requested.
  - If electing to use the de minimis IDC rate, include a statement in the narrative section of the indirect costs category that you are eligible and electing to use the rate; a separate attachment is not needed.



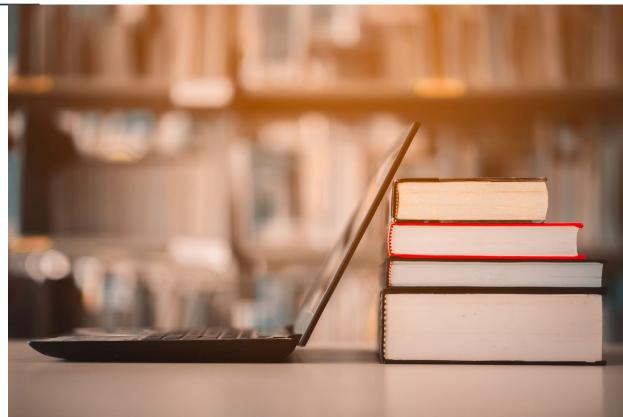
### **Research & Evaluation Independence & Integrity** (REII) Statement

If an application proposes research (including research and development) and/or evaluation, the applicant must attach a statement regarding Research and Evaluation Independence and Integrity (REII) in JustGrants.

 Review and follow the instructions in the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide to draft the statement

OJP Grant Application Resource Guide | Office of Justice Programs.

• The statement *must* address both sections i. and ii.

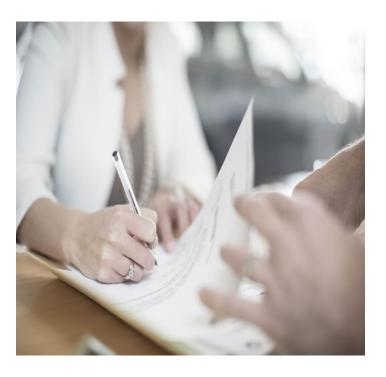




### **Disclosures and Assurances**

The following disclosures and certifications/assurances are required to be **submitted with the application in JustGrants** 

- Applicant Disclosure of Duplication in Cost Items
  - If you do not have any pending **federal** applications <u>for the exact</u> <u>same costs</u> as included in your FY 2024 Byrne Discretionary grant application, answer "No" for this disclosure in JustGrants.
- DOJ Certified Standard Assurances
- DOJ Certifications Regarding Lobbying; Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters; Drug-Free Workplace Requirements; Law Enforcement and Community Policing
- Applicant Disclosure and Justification DOJ High-Risk Grantees





### **Reminder: Two Deadlines**

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

- <u>Step 1</u>: Submit an SF-424 and an SF-LLL at <u>Grants.gov</u>
- <u>Step 2</u>: Submit the full application, with attachments, at <u>JusticeGrants.usdoj.gov</u>

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

### **SECTION 4**

# **POST-AWARD CONSIDERATIONS**





### **Access to Funds**

OJP will process awards on a rolling basis. Award notifications will be sent no later than September 30, 2024.

To access award funds, you must complete the following actions:

- Accept the award in JustGrants.
- Register in the U.S. Treasury's Automated Standard Application for Payment (ASAP) system.
- Address all award conditions that place award funds on hold, if applicable.

This program does NOT allow full drawdown of funds in advance. Payment requests must minimize amount of federal funds on hand (no more than 10-days cash needs).





### **Award Conditions - Standard**

Each recipient of an OJP grant must comply with all federal statutes and applicable regulations and award conditions: <u>Legal Overview - FY 2024 Awards | Office of Justice</u> <u>Programs (ojp.gov)</u>

Examples of standard award conditions include:

- Compliance with DOJ Grants Financial Guide
- Reporting Waste, Fraud, and Abuse
- Financial Management Training
- Budget Clearance
- Reporting Subawards
- Prohibited and Controlled Equipment

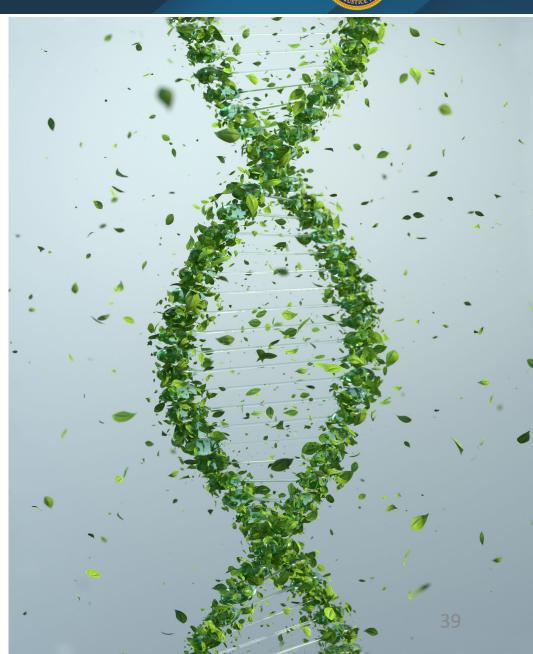
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# **Award Conditions - Specific**

Based on the specific project, additional award conditions and associated requirements may be applied to the award agreement. Examples include:

- National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) requirements
- DNA testing requirements, including Rapid DNA and FGG
- Body-worn Camera Policy requirements
- Bullet proof vest requirements
- Facial Recognition Technology
- Publication and website disclaimers





# Reporting

OJP requires recipients to submit **both financial and performance reports.** 

- Performance Reports seminannual; January 30<sup>th</sup> and July 30<sup>th</sup>.
  - Question set answered and submitted in JustGrants to report on progress/accomplishments to date.
- Financial Reports quarterly; the 30<sup>th</sup> of January, April, July, and October.
  - SF-425 form completed and submitted in JustGrants to report federal expenditures to date.



**IMPORTANT:** If a performance or financial report is not submitted timely, it will result in a suspension of access to award funding in ASAP until compliant. 40



### Procurement

All OJP grant awards are governed by the procurement requirements detailed in the DOJ Financial Guide and the federal procurement standards in 2 CFR 200.317-327.

- States and territories must follow their own procurement standards and 2 CFR 200.317.
- All other grantees must comply with the procurement requirements in 2 CFR 200.318-327, to include full and open competition. Sole source over \$250,000 must receive prior approval by OJP.

Recipients must maintain written standards of conduct covering conflicts of interest, debarment, employee participation in vendor selection, and contract administration.

See Chapter 3.8 "Procurement Under Awards of Federal Assistance" in the DOJ Grants Financial Guide: <u>https://www.ojp.gov/funding/financialguidedoj/iii-postaward-requirements#46-0</u>

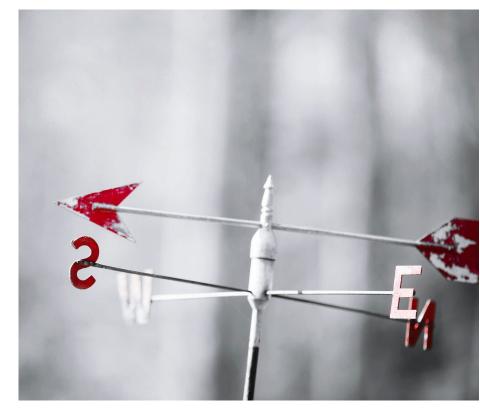




# **Grant Award Modifications**

Recipients can request changes post-award as needed via grant award modification (GAM) in JustGrants. Changes to the project title or any activities/costs that do not support the project title are prohibited. GAM types include:

- Change Project Period (No Cost Extension)
- Programmatic Cost (Costs requiring prior approval)
- Change Project Scope
- Budget Modification
- Sole Source Approval (Non-competitive contracts over \$250,000



See Chapter 3.5 "Adjustments to Awards" in DOJ Grants Financial Guide: <a href="https://www.ojp.gov/funding/financialguidedoj/iii-postaward-requirements#24-0">https://www.ojp.gov/funding/financialguidedoj/iii-postaward-requirements#24-0</a>



**Poll Question:** Now that you've heard more about the program and the application process, are you ready to apply?

Yes, my jurisdiction is ready to apply.

I am not sure.

No, I need more help.

# APPLICATION RESOURCES

**SECTION 5** 





### Weekly Training Webinars: Application Submission

Bookmark this page and check back regularly for session dates and registration links.

Session Topic	Application Mechanics: Submitting an Application	
Key Audiences	Entity Administrator, Application Submitter, Authorized Representative	
Description	<ul> <li>Topics covered in this session include:</li> <li>Preparing to apply</li> <li>Completing required forms in Grants.gov</li> <li>Entity onboarding and JustGrants access</li> <li>JustGrants roles and responsibilities</li> <li>Assigning users to applications</li> <li>Completing, reviewing, certifying, and submitting a JustGrants application</li> </ul>	
Live Training Sessions	Click the link to register for the session you wish to attend: • <u>April 17, 2024</u> 1:00-2:30 p.m. ET • <u>April 24, 2024</u> 1:00-2:30 p.m. ET	
Recorded Training Session	<ul> <li><u>Download the Training Slides</u></li> <li><u>View the Recording</u></li> </ul>	
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JustGrants Login Login
Find answers to frequently asked questions.
Go to FAQs

### Weekly Training Webinars: Application Submission

The JustGrants training team offers training webinars on the full application process every Wednesday from 1pm to 2:30pm ET. Upcoming training registration links and slides/recordings available here:

https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/training/ap plication-submission



# **Application Assistance**

### SAM.gov

- Assistance with entity validation, UEI, and registration.
  - Customer Support Hotline: 866-606-8220

Operates Monday – Friday 8am to 8 p.m. ET.

- Website: <u>GSAFSD Service Portal</u> <u>Landing - GSA Federal Service Desk</u> <u>Service Portal</u>
- Live Chat

https://www.fsd.gov/gsafsd\_sp

### Grants.gov

- Provides technical assistance with submitting the <u>SF-424</u> and <u>SF-LLL.</u>
  - Customer Support Hotline: 800-518-4726 or 606-545-5035

Operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, except on federal holidays.

- o Email
  - <u>https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/</u> <u>support.html</u>
  - support@grants.gov



# **JustGrants Application Assistance**

- Customer Support Hotline: 833-872-5175
  - Monday Friday between 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. ET
  - Saturday, Sunday, and federal holidays from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. ET



### • Email

- <u>https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/user-</u> <u>support</u>
- o JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov



#### Learn About the Department of Justice's Grants and Payment Management Systems

#### JustGrants Login

The Justice Grants System (JustGrants) is the Department of Justice's grants management system for the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office), the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) and the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW).

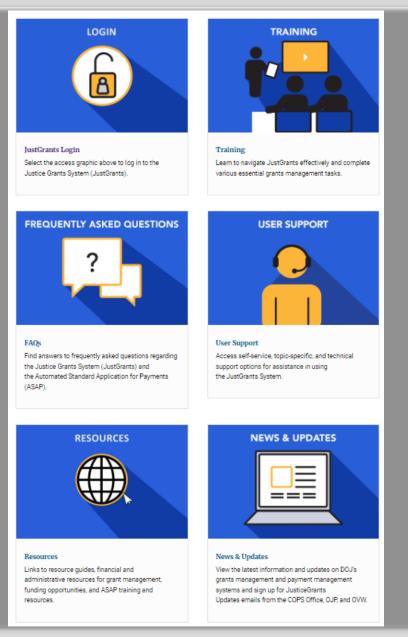
The JustGrants Resources website is an entryway into information about JustGrants and the system itself. Through this portal both award recipients and applicants can access training resources and user support options, find answers to frequently asked questions and sign up for the JusticeGrants Update e-newsletter# .

Users can also log in to JustGrants through the site.

#### News Flash 🖉

#### Feb 21: <u>Register Now! March Dates Added</u> for Virtual <u>Q&A Sessions</u> *I*

Aug 10: <u>Review New and Updated JustGrants</u> FAQs &



#### https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/



#### Home / Grants/Funding / Applicant Resources

#### OJP Grant Application Resource Guide

#### A SAM.gov Entity Validation Update 🖉

GSA implemented a new process to validate an entity's legal business name and physical address when requesting a Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) and for completing a SAM.gov entity registration. Due to a high volume of requests, entity validations are taking longer than expected to process. This validation process is now taking 7-10 business days, and in some cases longer.

OJP strongly recommends starting your SAM.gov registration process as soon as possible to allow the time necessary to process entity validations well in advance of the Grants.gov due date posted in the solicitation. Read <u>this FAQ</u> for more information.

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