BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE

# STOP SCHOOL VIOLENCE 2019 SOLICITATION

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#### **BJA Solicitations Based on the**

Student, Teachers, and Officers Preventing School Violence Act of 2018

- BJA STOP Prevention Training and Response to Mental Health Crisis Program
- BJA STOP Technology and Threat Assessment Solutions for Safer Schools Program
- \$75 million available To:
  - States
  - Local Units of Government
  - Indian Tribes



#### Specific Application Information for BJA Submissions:

- Projects are to be up to 36 months
- Must be submitted in the appropriated category based on the population
- There is no match requirement this year and there is no priority consideration for applicants proposing a match (note that this is an update to the information originally contained on this slide)
- Submissions will use evidence-based strategies and programs
- A State, unit of local government, or Indian tribe may use the grant to contract with or make 1 or more subawards to 1 or more:
  - local educational agencies;
  - nonprofit organizations, excluding schools or
  - units of local government or tribal organizations
- NO amounts provided as a grant under this part may be used for the provision to any person of a firearm or training in the use of a firearm



#### Eligibility:

#### Unit of local government: 42 USC § 3791(c)

- (a) Any city, county, township, town, borough, parish, village, or other general purpose political subdivision of a state;
- (b) Any law enforcement district or judicial enforcement district that—
  - (i) Is established under applicable state law, and
  - (ii) Has the authority to, in a manner independent of other state entities, establish a budget and impose taxes; or
- (c) For the purposes of assistance eligibility, any agency of the government of the District of Columbia or the federal government that performs law enforcement functions in and for— (i) The District of Columbia, or (ii) Any Trust Territory of the United States.

**Local educational agency:** a public board of education or other public authority legally constituted within a State for either administrative control or direction of, or to perform a service function for, public elementary schools or secondary schools in a city, county, township, school district, or other political subdivision of a State, or for a combination of school districts or counties as are recognized in a State as an administrative agency for its public elementary schools or secondary schools.



# BJA STOP Prevention Training and Response to Mental Health Crisis Program (DUE: June 18, 2019 at 11:59 p.m. ET)

- Training of Staff
- 2. Education of Students
- 3. Education of Administrators to Respond to Mental Health Crisis

#### **APPLICATION ARE SUBMITTED BY CATEGORY**

Category 1- A state with a population greater than 5,000,000

Category 2- A state with a population of less than 5,000,000

Category 3- An urban area or large county defined as having a population greater than 500,000

Category 4- A suburban area or medium-sized county defined as having a population between 100,000 and 500,000

Category 5- A rural area or small county defined as having a population of less than 100,000

Category 6- A federally recognized Indian Tribe



# BJA STOP Technology and Threat Assessment Solutions for Safer Schools Program (Due: June 11, 2019 at 11:59 p.m. ET)

- 1. Threat Assessments
- 2. Crisis Intervention Teams
- 3. Anonymous Reporting

#### **APPLICATIONS ALSO SUBMITTED BY CATEGORY**

Categories 1 through 6 based on population (as seen on previous slide)

Category 7 For the development and implementation of an anonymous reporting solution, such as, APPS, hot lines, or websites

**NOTE:** There is no population breakdown for this category, all size communities can apply.

Category 8 For the creation or enhancement of state school safety centers.

**NOTE:** This category open to states of any size. States with existing school safety centers may apply for funds to enhance those centers.



#### Funding Amounts for the Categories

- Category 1 A state with a population greater than 5,000,000, for an award of up to \$1,000,000
- Category 2 A state with a population of less than 5,000,000, for an award of up to \$500,000
- Category 3 An urban area or large county with a population greater than 500,000, for an award of up to \$500,000
- Category 4 A suburban area or medium-sized county with a population between 100,000 and 500,000, for an award of up to \$250,000
- Category 5 A rural area or small county with a population of less than 100,000, for an award of up to \$150,000
- Category 6 Federally-Recognized Indian tribes, for an award of up to \$100,000
- Category 7 Anonymous Reporting, for an award of up to \$250,000
- Category 8 State School Safety Centers, for an award up to \$1,000,000



#### **BJA Application Process:**

- Applications to be submitted to Grants.gov by June 11 and June 18, 2019, by 11:59 p.m. ET
- Submit applications at least 72 hours prior to the due date.
- Applications are reviewed to ensure they meet the Basic Minimum Requirements (BMR) as stated in the solicitations
- All applications meeting BMR are moved forward for peer review
- Applications are peer reviewed by a panel of three (3) outside reviewers from BJA
- Peer reviewed scores are presented to BJA program representative
- BJA staff provides the scoring results to the BJA Director with recommendations for funding
- BJA Director makes final decision and submits recommended applications to the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) Principal Deputy AAG
- Upon approval awards to be issued to successful candidates no later that 9/30/2019



# Thank you

Bureau of Justice Assistance

https://www.bja.gov

BJA STOP Solicitations are available at:

https://www.bja.gov/funding.aspx

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- Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/DOJBJA">https://www.facebook.com/DOJBJA</a>
- Twitter: https://twitter.com/DOJBJA
- RSS: <a href="https://www.bja.gov/Connect.aspx">https://www.bja.gov/Connect.aspx</a>

For information on funding opportunities, publications, and initiatives, visit BJA's website – <a href="https://www.bja.gov">https://www.bja.gov</a>.



## **Application Assistance and Support**



# National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS) Response Center https://www.ncjrs.gov

- Provides solicitation support and general assistance
- Links to all current OJP funding opportunities
- Funding Notices subscribe to receive email notifications of new opportunities
  - Sign-up to receive the bi-weekly JUSTINFO newsletter as well as the weekly Funding News From NCJRS email.
  - Be sure to select "Grants/funding" as an area of interest in your NCJRS registration profile when you subscribe.
- email grants@ncjrs.gov
- web chat <a href="https://webcontact.ncjrs.gov/ncjchat/chat.jsp">https://webcontact.ncjrs.gov/ncjchat/chat.jsp</a>
- toll free at 800–851–3420;
- TTY at 301–240–6310 (hearing impaired only)

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



## **Application Assistance**

#### **Grants.gov**

- Provides technical assistance with submitting an application
  - **Customer Support Hotline** 800-518-4726 or 606—545-5035
    - The Grants.gov Support Hotline 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.



#### **Recommend Resources**

#### **BJA Grant Applicant Education Series**

A series of four previously recorded webinars designed to assist potential applicants interested in applying for BJA funding opportunities.

- Funding Opportunities for Your Community in 2019: An Overview of What's Ahead
- The First Steps to Applying, Prepare Now
- The Federal Funding Process: What New and Seasoned Applicants Should Consider
- Submitting Your Application: Avoid These Common Mistakes
- https://www.bja.gov/funding/webinars.html



#### **Recommend Resources**

#### **OJP Funding Resource Center**

https://ojp.gov/funding/index.htm

#### **DOJ Grants Financial Guide**

https://ojp.gov/financilaguide/DOJ/index.htm

#### **DOJ Grants Financial Management Online Training**

https://ojpfgm.webfirst.com/

#### 2019 OJP Grant Application Resource Guide

https://ojp.gov/funding/Apply/Resources/Grant-App-Resource-Guide.htm

#### NIJ's CrimeSolutions.gov

https://www.CrimeSolutions.gov

# COPS School Violence Prevention Program

Application Close Date: May 31, 2019 at 7:59pm EDT





# **COPS Office**

# Office of Community Oriented Policing Services

- Established 1994 to advance public safety through community policing
- Since 1994, the COPS Office has invested more than \$14 billion in state, local, and tribal law enforcement
- Funded more than 130,000 new law enforcement officer positions in agencies from coast to coast
- The COPS Office is proud to have forged thousands of meaningful local partnerships and relationship



# STOP School Violence

# **COPS School Violence Prevention Program**

- Student, Teachers, and Officers Preventing School Violence Act of 2018 (STOP School Violence Act of 2018)
- \$25 million authorization for FY 2019
- Awards directly to States, units of local government, or Indian tribes, and public agencies to improve security at schools and on school grounds
- Grant recipients may contract with or make subawards to local educational agencies, nonprofit organizations



# STOP School Violence

# Provide up to 75% of funding for...

- Coordination with law enforcement
- Training for local law enforcement officers to prevent student violence
- Metal detectors, locks, lighting, and other deterrent measures
- Technology for expedited notification of law enforcement during an emergency





 Any other measure that the COPS Office Director determines may provide a significant improvement in security



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### **Additional Information**

- Awards capped at \$500,000
- Award duration 24 months, with no cost time extensions
- Preferential consideration if feasible for jurisdictions with...
  - Demonstrated need for improved security
  - Demonstrated need for financial assistance
  - Who will use evidence-based strategies and programs
- Solicitation open through May 31st

# Thank You and be Safe!

www.cops.usdoj gov/grants

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