

FY 2023 TRANSFORMING PRISON CULTURES, CLIMATES, AND SPACES

IMPORTANT DEADLINES



GRANTS.GOV:
JULY 18, 2023

JUSTGRANTS:
JULY 25, 2023

Who May Apply:

Public, private, and state-controlled institutions of higher education; nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; Small businesses; for-profit organizations other than small businesses

Why Apply:

Receive funding to support prisons and state correctional agencies' efforts to transform their cultures, climates, and physical spaces to create and sustain safe, humane, and effective environments for people who work, visit, and are incarcerated in them.

- Category 1: Provide training and technical assistance
- Category 2: Develop a website

Maximum per Award:

Up to \$3,000,000 under Category 1 and \$500,000 under Category 2.

BJA encourages the following entities to apply:

- Agencies that have not received BJA funding before.

Examples of strategies/ activities that can be funded:

- Define a spectrum of strategies and practices that can assist sites working to transform their culture, climate, and spaces.
- Engage with and assist sites to make deliberate and measurable changes.
- Identify model sites that have begun implementing changes.
- Establish multiple learning communities.
- Promote correctional agencies' collection and analysis of data to measure the impact of reforms.
- Develop, maintain, and expand a website that advances knowledge about prison operations and curates and disseminates actionable information.
- Establish and maintain relationships with experts in relevant topics and in positions to influence and engage prison practitioners.

Where to get more information about this opportunity:

Visit <https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o-bja-2023-171771> for 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: sam.gov/content/home.
- For **questions** about the program's requirements or the application process, see the full solicitation's cover page at: <https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/O-BJA-2023-171771.pdf> for information on who to contact.
- Visit **BJA Funding Webinars** at: bja.ojp.gov/events/funding-webinars and review the "Federal Funding Process: First Steps to Applying, How to Prepare Now, and Other Considerations."
- **Subscribe** for email notifications from BJA about funding opportunities and other news at bja.ojp.gov/subscribe-newsfrombja.
- To be in the know about funding opportunities across the Office of Justice Programs, sign up to receive **JUSTINFO** at: www.ojp.gov/news/justinfo and/or the weekly **Funding News** at: public.govdelivery.com/accounts/USDOJOJP_COMMS/subscriber/new?topic_id=USDOJOJP_COMMS_25.

How to apply and when:

Submit a two-step application.

- (1) Register in [Grants.gov](https://grants.gov) and follow the prompts to submit two forms by July 18, 2023.
- (2) Then complete the full application in JustGrants.usdoj.gov by July 25, 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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