

FY 2024 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM (IPEP)

IMPORTANT DEADLINES



GRANTS.GOV:
JUNE 12, 2024

JUSTGRANTS:
JUNE 20, 2024

Who May Apply:

State, county, city, township, or special district governments; Other small units of local government (e.g., towns, parishes, villages); Native American tribal governments (federally recognized); Public- and state-controlled institutions of higher education; State, local, tribal, municipal, or campus law enforcement agencies

Why Apply:

Receive funding to support an intellectual property (IP) enforcement task force, or to plan to create one. The goal is to prevent and reduce intellectual property theft and related crime, as well as to support law enforcement in investigating and prosecuting IP crimes and reducing violent crime associated with IP cases.

Maximum per Award:

Up to \$375,000

BJA encourages the following entities to apply:

- Agencies that have not previously received BJA funding.
- Convening or governing bodies that can apply on behalf of one or more entities.

Examples of strategies/ activities that can be funded:

- Improve coordination of IP enforcement efforts among federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial authorities.
- Establish and/or enhance state, local, tribal, or territorial IP enforcement task forces, including campus law.
- Raise community and buyer awareness of intellectual property theft and related crimes.
- Conduct quarterly meetings of task force members to update, discuss, and collaborate on IP investigations, prosecutions, training, and public awareness activities.
- Educate uninformed buyers in determining the authenticity of seemingly legitimate websites that instead deceive consumers into purchasing counterfeit goods.

Where to get more information about this opportunity:

Visit bja.ojp.gov/program/intellectual-property-enforcement-program/overview for more information on IPEP and <https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o-bja-2024-172080> for the full solicitation.



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-2024-172080.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 June 12, 2024.
- (2) Then complete the full application in [JustGrants.usdoj.gov](https://justgrants.usdoj.gov) by June 20, 2024. 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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