Who May Apply: City, township, county, state, or federally recognized tribal governments; Native American tribal organizations (other than federally recognized tribal governments); 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; for profit organizations other than small businesses; small businesses; public, private, and state-controlled institutions of higher education; and public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities

Why Apply: Receive funding to invest in current and future leaders in the criminal justice field and bring talent and expertise from the field to BJA to inform policy and practice.

Maximum per Award: • Category 1: Up to $350,000 • Category 2: Up to $500,000

BJA encourages the following entities to apply: • People with lived experience to bring knowledge and perspective to BJA and the field. • Agencies that have not previously received BJA funding.

Examples of strategies/activities that can be funded:
• Building Capacity of Community Violence Intervention Leaders to Enhance Community Safety.
• Enhancing support of and reducing stigma for persons with criminal justice involvement who are in recovery.
• Improving corrections and reintegration under the Second Chance Act.
• Advancing and Improving the Criminal Justice Systems using Artificial Intelligence.
• Advancing strategies to prevent and respond to hate crimes.
• Enhancing Tribal Capacity to Build Strong Programs and Access Resources for Programs.
• Reducing Stigma for Persons with Substance Use and Mental Health Disorders and Criminal Justice Involvement.

Where to get more information about this opportunity: Visit https://bja.ojp.gov/program/visiting-fellows/overview for more information about the program and https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o-bja-2024-172165 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](http://sam.gov/content/home).

- For **questions** about the program’s requirements or the application process, see the full solicitation at: [https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/O-BJA-2024-172165.pdf](https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/O-BJA-2024-172165.pdf) for information on who to contact.

- Visit **BJA Funding Webinars** at: [bja.ojp.gov/events/funding-webinars](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://Grants.gov) and follow the prompts to submit two forms by July 24, 2024.

2. Then complete the full application in [JustGrants.usdoj.gov](http://JustGrants.usdoj.gov) by July 31, 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.

ABOUT BJA

BJA helps America’s state, local, and tribal jurisdictions reduce and prevent crime, lower recidivism, and promote a fair and safe criminal justice system. BJA provides a wide range of resources—including grants, funding, and training and technical assistance—to law enforcement, courts and corrections agencies, treatment providers, reentry practitioners, justice information sharing professionals, and community-based partners to address chronic and emerging criminal justice challenges nationwide. To learn more about BJA, visit [bja.ojp.gov](http://bja.ojp.gov) or follow us on Facebook ([www.facebook.com/DOJBJA](http://www.facebook.com/DOJBJA)) and X ([@DOJBJA](http://@DOJBJA)). BJA is a component of the Department of Justice’s Office of Justice Programs.