## FY 2024 RURAL AND SMALL DEPARTMENT VIOLENT CRIME REDUCTION PROGRAM

**IMPORTANT DEADLINES** 

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Who May Apply:	City or township, county, or federally recognized Native American tribal governments			
Why Apply:	Receive funding to support small and rural agencies, including prosecutors' offices, in their efforts to combat violent crime through the implementation of a comprehensive violent crime reduction strategy.			
Maximum per Award:	Up to \$300,000 per award			
BJA encourages the following entities to apply:	• Entities that have not previously received BJA funding.			
Examples of strategies/ activities that can be funded:	<ul> <li>Implement or improve agency capacity using critical elements found in the <u>Violent Crime</u> <u>Reduction Operations Guide</u> <u>(VCROG)</u>.</li> <li>Implement or improve prosecutor office capacity using critical elements in the <u>Prosecutors'</u> <u>Guide to Reducing Violence and</u> <u>Building Safer Communities</u>.</li> <li>Complete the VCROG online assessment tool.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Partner with a researcher or subject matter expert to develop a comprehensive violent crime reduction strategy.</li> <li>Participate and/or host a regional peer exchange(s) in collaboration with BJA.</li> <li>Develop a comprehensive violent crime reduction strategy in partnership with the Small and Rural TTA provider.</li> </ul>		
Where to get more information about this opportunity:	Visit <u>https://bja.ojp.gov/program/rvcri/overview</u> for more information about the program and <u>https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o- bja-2024-172045</u> for full funding information.			



Tips for Success:	<ul> <li>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: <u>sam.gov/content/home</u>.</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>For questions about the program's requirements or the application process, see the full solicitation at: <u>https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/O- BJA-2024-172045.pdf</u> for information on who to contact.</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Visit BJA Funding Webinars at: <u>bja.ojp.gov/events/funding-webinars</u> and review the "Federal Funding Process: First Steps to Applying, How to Prepare Now, and Other Considerations."</li> <li>Subscribe for email notifications from BJA about funding opportunities and other news at: <u>bja.ojp.gov/subscribe-newsfrombja</u>.</li> </ul>			
How to apply and when:	Submit a two-step application.			
	(1)Register in <u>Grants.gov</u> and follow the prompts to submit two forms by May 15, 2024.			
	(2)Then complete the full application in <u>JustGrants.usdoj.gov</u> by May 22, 2024. The application's major elements are:			
	(a) The <b>proposal abstract</b> that summarizes the problem you wish to address with your project (no more than 400 words).			
	(b) The <b>proposal narrative</b> that describes your project's strategies, activities, and major deliverables as well as your capacity to address the problem.			
	(c) The <b>web-based budget</b> 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 <u>bja.ojp.gov</u> or follow us on Facebook (<u>www.facebook.com/DOJBJA</u>) and X (@DOJBJA). BJA is a component of the Department of Justice's Office of Justice Programs.