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# FEDERAL SUPPORT FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND JUSTICE RESPONSES: BEST PRACTICES, RESOURCES AND EDUCATION

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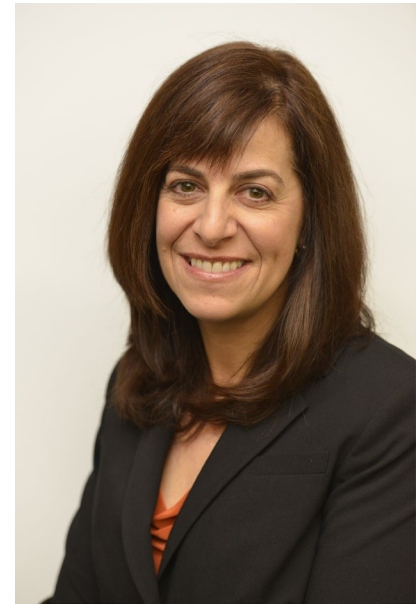
# BJA Funding Webinar Series FY 2022 Federal Support for Behavioral Health Responses



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# Agenda

- **Overview of the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) and the Bureau of Justice (BJA)**
- **Introduction of BJA Speakers**
- **Problem and Solution Overview**
- **Review of Available FY 2022 Program Funding**
- **Review of Resources and Tools Available to Grant Applicants**
- **Question & Answer Period with BJA Program Staff**

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# What is the Office of Justice Programs (OJP)?

- OJP provides grant funding, training, research, and statistics to the criminal justice community.
- OJP is one of three grant-making components of the Department of Justice along with the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) and the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS)

## Office of Justice Programs

**BJA** - Bureau of Justice Assistance

**BJS** - Bureau of Justice Statistics

**NIJ** - National Institute of Justice

**OVC** - Office for Victims of Crime

**OJJDP** - Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

**SMART** - Office of Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering, and Tracking

# BJA Mission Statement

BJA provides leadership and services in grant administration and criminal justice policy development to support local, state, and tribal justice strategies to reduce violent crime and strengthen communities.

## OJP Goals

OJP strives to prevent and reduce crime through a comprehensive approach; to engage and empower those in at-risk environments; to advance systemic improvements in the justice system and to deliver effective and outcome-driven capabilities and programs.

# Types of BJA Grants

## Discretionary

- Awarded *directly* by OJP to eligible recipients.
- Applicants apply directly to OJP/BJA.
- Most often awarded on a competitive basis.
- Applications undergo a preliminary review process to ensure that they are complete and meet the eligibility requirements and many are also peer reviewed.

## Formula

- Are usually administered and managed by State Administering Agencies or other BJA-approved fiscal agents.
- Are most often on a noncompetitive basis.
- Distribution of funds to eligible recipients is either statutorily defined or defined by a distribution process that is specified by BJA.

# Federal Support for Behavioral Health Responses

BJA Presenters:

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# What Is Meant By Behavioral Health?

*according to SAMHSA*

- The term “behavioral health” in this context means the promotion of mental health, resilience and wellbeing; the treatment of mental and substance use disorders; and the support of those who experience and/or are in recovery from these conditions, along with their families and communities.



# The Problem:



Why is DOJ concerned about behavioral health



Best Practice Programs, Resources and  
Education



# The Solution

Increased Public Health and Increased Public Safety

# How Can You Help?

Deploy programs that reduce substance use and increase behavioral health interventions.

Use validated screening and assessment tools at the jail to identify people with Behavioral Health conditions early



Plan and Implement a Police Mental Health Collaboration Program

Advance racial equity issues in its approach to drug policy.

- Support evidence-based prevention efforts to reduce youth substance use.
  - Reduce the supply of illicit substances.

Expand access to treatment programs and other behavioral health interventions, including medication-assisted treatment.

# BJA FY 2022 Behavioral Health Program Funding

# Improving Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Recovery Outcomes for Adults in Reentry Program

- This program seeks to enhance corrections systems' and community-based service providers' ability to address the substance use disorder treatment and recovery support needs of people during incarceration and reentry in an effort to reduce recidivism and promote long term recovery.
- BJA Anticipates the FY 2022 solicitation to be made available in the second quarter of FY 2022.

# Improving Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Recovery Outcomes for Adults in Reentry Program

- BJA expects to fund 8 applications in FY 2022 and will have approximately \$7.2M available for awards.
- Eligible Applicants Are: City or township governments, County governments, State governments, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education.
- Additional information can be located on our Info Page on BJA.gov located at [Available Funding | Bureau of Justice Assistance \(ojp.gov\)](#).

# Improving Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Recovery Outcomes for Adults in Reentry Program

National Reentry Resource Center

<https://nationalreentryresourcecenter.org>

Case Planning Tools

[Collaborative Comprehensive Case Plans - CSG Justice Center - CSG Justice Center](#)

# Collaborative Crisis Response and Intervention Training Program

- This program seeks to implement transdisciplinary crisis response training to educate and prepare law enforcement, community corrections, and correctional officers so that they are equipped to appropriately interact with people who have behavioral health conditions or intellectual, developmental, or physical disabilities (“disabilities”) in the course of completing their job responsibilities.
- BJA Anticipates the FY 2022 solicitation to be made available in the second quarter of FY 2022.

# Collaborative Crisis Response and Intervention Training Program

- BJA expects to receive more than 20 applications in FY 2022 and will have approximately \$5M available for awards.
- Eligible Applicants Are: states, units of local government, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments (as determined by the Secretary of the Interior).
- In FY22, two categories are available for application:
  - **Category 1:** Training Program for Law Enforcement Officers, Law Enforcement Agencies, and Sheriff's Departments (Deputies)
  - **Category 2:** Training Program for Correctional Officers, Probation and Parole, and Sheriff's Departments (Jails)
- Additional information can be located on our Info Page on BJA.gov located at: [Available Funding | Bureau of Justice Assistance \(ojp.gov\)](#).



# Academic Training to Inform Police Responses

- For more information on TTA that supports the Collaborative Crisis Response and Intervention Training Program, visit:
- [Overview | Academic Training \(informedpoliceresponses.com\)](https://informedpoliceresponses.com)



# Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and other Substance Abuse Program

- The Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program (COSSAP) was developed as part of the Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act (CARA) legislation. COSSAP's purpose is to provide financial and technical assistance to states, units of local government, and Indian tribal governments to develop, implement, or expand comprehensive efforts to identify, respond to, treat, and support those impacted by illicit opioids, stimulants, and other drugs of use.
- BJA Anticipates the FY 2022 solicitation be made available in the second quarter of FY 2022.

# Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and other Substance Abuse Program

- BJA expects to receive more than 230 applications in FY 2022 and will have approximately \$185M available for awards.
- FY 2022 Opportunities
  - **Category 1:** State-based: Estimated Number of Awards: 10 / Average Award Amount: \$6,000,000
  - **Category 2:** Local Site-based: Estimated Number of Awards: 100 / Average Award Amount: Up to \$1,600,000
- Eligible Applicants Are: City or township governments, County governments, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), or state governments. Jurisdictions without a county or local government-based addiction service system may designate the State Administering Agency (SAA) to serve as the primary applicant.
- Additional information can be located on our Info Page on BJA.gov located at: [Available Funding | Bureau of Justice Assistance \(ojp.gov\)](#).

# COSSAP Program Resources and Training and Technical Assistance

<https://www.cossapresources.org>

- Profiles of COSSAP sites across the nation, and Data visualization of grantees allowing exploration of projects by state, jurisdiction type, activity, partner, and area of focus.
- Descriptions of COSSAP demonstration projects, which strengthen our understanding of effective community responses to illicit substance use and misuse, expand adoption of effective practices and support innovation, and build capacity in those communities most impacted by substance use disorder.
- Information on peer-to-peer learning opportunities, including the COSSAP Peer Recovery Support Services Mentoring Initiative and the COSSAP Law Enforcement/First Responder Diversion and Referral Mentoring Initiative.
- Educational COSSAP materials, including newsletters, no-cost webinars, podcasts, printable fact sheets, and complementary resources from federal agencies and stakeholder partners.
- Funding and TTA opportunities, including an online TTA request form and overviews of COSSAP TTA providers.

# PDMP - Harold Rogers Prescription Drug Monitoring Program

- The Harold Rogers Prescription Drug Monitoring Program is a grant program for state prescription drug monitoring programs (PDMPs) and training and technical assistance. The program strengthens states' and territories' ability to plan, implement, or enhance PDMPs by accommodating local decision-making based on state laws and preferences while encouraging the replication of promising practices. The program also supports the Administration's priority of tracking prescribing across providers and states through the integration of PDMPs and electronic health records and health information exchanges.
- BJA anticipates the FY 2022 solicitation will release in the second quarter of FY 2022.

# PDMP - Harold Rogers Prescription Drug Monitoring Program

- BJA expects to receive more than 20 applications in FY 2022 and will have approximately \$31M available for awards.
- FY 2022 Opportunities
  - Estimated Number of Awards: 16-20 site-based awards
  - Average Award Amount: \$1.4M
- Eligible Applicants Are: State governments and U.S. territories that have an enabling statute or regulation (pending or enacted) requiring the submission of controlled substance prescription data to an authorized state agency. OR Applicants within a state that does not have such an enabling statute are eligible to apply as a city, county, or region if (a) the city, county, or region has enacted an enabling statute, ordinance, or regulation requiring the submission of controlled substance prescription data to an authorized city, county, or region; (b) the city, county, or region agrees to transfer the PDMP system to an authorized state agency if the state adopts an enabling state statute requiring the submission of controlled substance prescription data to an authorized state agency; and (c) the city, county, or region ensures that all vendor contracts are written to permit the transfer of ownership of the system to the authorized state agency.
- Additional information can be located on our Info Page on BJA.gov located at: [Available Funding | Bureau of Justice Assistance \(ojp.gov\)](#).

# PDMP – Resources, Training, and Technical Assistance

- BJA PDMP FY2021 Solicitation and Past Funding  
<https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o-bja-2021-49001>
- PDMP-TTAC  
<https://www.pdmpassist.org/Policies/Administration>
- PDMP Policies and Capabilities (2020 State Assessment)  
[https://www.pdmpassist.org/pdf/PDMP%20Policies%20and%20Capabilities%202020%20Assessment%20Results\\_20210111.pdf](https://www.pdmpassist.org/pdf/PDMP%20Policies%20and%20Capabilities%202020%20Assessment%20Results_20210111.pdf)
- Strengthen the Nation’s Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs  
<https://www.cossapresources.org/Focus/PDMP>

# Connect and Protect: Law Enforcement Behavioral Health Response Program

- The Connect and Protect: Law Enforcement Behavioral Health Response Program supports cross-system collaboration to improve public safety responses to and outcomes for individuals with mental illness (MI) or co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders who come into contact with the justice system.
- BJA Anticipates the FY 2022 solicitation will release in the second quarter of FY 2022.



# Connect and Protect: Law Enforcement Behavioral Health Response Program

- BJA expects to receive more than 40 applications in FY 2022 and will have approximately \$15M available for awards.
- FY 2022 Opportunities
  - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 27
  - Average Award Amount: Up to \$550,000
- Eligible Applicants Are: City or township governments, County governments, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, Special district governments, State governments, and Other:
  - **Other** can be described as agencies with a different legal status (e.g., nonprofit or for-profit mental health agencies) are eligible to apply only if they also have been designated as a state agency or unit of local government to provide behavioral health services. Documentation to support this designation must be attached to the application.
- Additional information can be located on our Info Page on BJA.gov located at: [Available Funding | Bureau of Justice Assistance \(ojp.gov\)](#).

# Program Planning Resources

- [Police Mental Health Collaboration Toolkit](#): The PMHC Toolkit provides resources for law enforcement agencies to partner with service providers and community service providers to improve and enhance responses to people with Behavioral Health Conditions or Developmental Disabilities
- [Law Enforcement-Mental Health Learning Sites](#): Opportunity for hands-on learning from law enforcement and behavioral health partners on strategies to respond to people with behavioral health needs. Site visits are free and travel costs are available on an as needed basis.
- [Taking the Call National Conference](#) Explores how jurisdictions are responding to calls involving people with behavioral health conditions through community responder models. Visit the Taking the Call page to [watch session presentations](#) and [explore resources](#).
- [The Best Practice Guide](#) reviews available research on the delivery and impact of police, BH, disability, and community responses to BH and IDD-related crisis incidents. Included are existing response models, identification of evidence-informed and best practice models, and outlines showing key lessons for the development and delivery of crisis response programs.

Co-Responder teams, Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD)

Crisis intervention teams

Mobile Crisis teams/Community Responders

Intensive Case Management Team

Law Enforcement/ Mental Health Integrated 911 Dispatch

# Publications of Note

Field Notes | Law Enforcement

April 2021

## How to Successfully Implement a Mobile Crisis Team

Field Notes | Law Enforcement

February 2021

## Developing and Implementing Your Co-Responder Program

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The following publications explore key issues at the intersection of law enforcement and mental health:

- <https://csgjusticecenter.org/publications/how-to-successfully-implement-a-mobile-crisis-team/>
- <https://csgjusticecenter.org/publications/developing-and-implementing-your-co-responder-program/>
- <https://csgjusticecenter.org/publications/how-to-reduce-repeat-encounters/>

# STOP School Violence Program

- The purpose of the STOP School Violence Program is to ensure that students are safe in school by providing students and teachers with resources and tools for recognizing, responding quickly to, and preventing acts of violence.
- In FY 2022, BJA will post one solicitation that will address threat assessment, mental health training or other school climate improvement training such as anti-bullying, and technology solutions such as anonymous reporting systems
- BJA Anticipates the FY 2022 solicitation will release in the second quarter of FY 2022.

# STOP School Violence Program

- BJA expects to receive more than 300 applications in FY 2022 and will have approximately \$49M available for site-based awards.
- FY 2022 Opportunities
  - **Category 1:** Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 10 / Average Award Amount: Up to \$2,000,000
  - **Category 2:** Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 69 / Average Award Amount: Up to \$1,000,000
- Eligible Applicants Are: States, units of local government, federally recognized Indian tribes, public agencies (school districts, police departments, sheriff's departments, etc.), independent school districts including charter schools, non-profits including private schools, and institutions of higher education.
- Additional information can be located on our Info Page on BJA.gov located at: [Available Funding | Bureau of Justice Assistance \(ojp.gov\)](#).

# STOP Example Uses

- Applicants may use funds to train school staff and law enforcement assigned to the schools on implementation and supporting multi-disciplinary school behavioral threat assessment teams.
- Applicants may use funds to hire school support personnel such as climate specialists, school psychologists, and others directly supporting the prevention of school violence.
- Applicants may use funds to implement a range of trainings to improve school climate such as Youth Mental Health First Aid, Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS), Gang Resistance Education and Training (G.R.E.A.T) Program, and Social Emotional Learning strategies.
- Applicants may use funds to implement anonymous reporting systems (ARS) or other technology solutions shown to support school safety.
- Applicants may make sub awards to project partners to support the proposed activities.

# STOP Important Notes

- Funds **may not** be used to hire new SROs, but may be used to pay overtime to existing SROs who are performing duties as part of a grant that are outside the scope of their normal job duties.
- Funds **may not** be used to install deterrent measures (target hardening) such as cameras, metal detectors, ballistic glass, fencing, etc.

# Stop Program Resources

- National Center for School Safety (NCSS) is focused on improving school safety and preventing school violence. NCSS is the STOP Program Training and Technical Assistance (TTA) provider – [www. Nc2s.org](http://www.Nc2s.org)
- [Behavioral Threat Assessment and Management \(BTAM\): Best Practice Considerations for K–12 Schools](#) - This resource by the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP) examines the evidence-based best practices of Behavioral Threat Assessment and Management (BTAM) in a K-12 school setting.
- [Trauma-Informed, Resilience-Oriented Schools Toolkit](#) - The Trauma-Informed, Resilience-Oriented (TR) Schools Toolkit outlines a framework for implementing trauma-informed, resilience-oriented approaches in any school or school district. The primary audience for this toolkit includes school administrators, school board members, teachers, and student support staff, parents and families, and community partners.



# Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS)

- Through CTAS, BJA and other grant-making components provide a coordinated application process for federally recognized tribes.
- BJA oversees Purpose Areas 2, 3, and 4, which support comprehensive strategic planning; programs for adult tribal justice systems from prevention and treatment to tribal courts, corrections and reentry, and strategies to address violent crime; and to support tribal justice infrastructure investments through renovation and modular buildings.
- BJA Anticipates the FY 2022 solicitation will release in the second quarter of FY 2022.

# Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS)

- BJA expects to receive more than 135 applications in FY 2022 and will have approximately \$42.61M available for awards.
- FY 2022 Opportunities
  - Estimated Number of Awards: 36–43
  - Estimated Average Award Amount: PA2: up to \$150,000; PA3: \$250,000–900,000; and PA4: \$1,000,000–\$4,000,000.
- Eligible Applicants Are: Federally recognized tribes and tribal consortia
- Additional information can be located on our Info Page on BJA.gov located at: [Available Funding | Bureau of Justice Assistance \(ojp.gov\)](https://www.ojp.gov/ctas).



# Family Treatment and Juvenile Drug Treatment Courts (Office of Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention)

- Family and juvenile focused drug courts help families and youth overcome the effects of substance misuse and co-occurring mental health disorders.
- These courts include the Juvenile Drug Treatment Courts, Family Treatment Courts, and Juvenile Tribal Healing to Wellness Courts. There has been a steady increase in funding for these programs over the last 5 years.
- BJA Anticipates the FY 2022 solicitation will release in the second quarter of FY 2022.

# Family Treatment and Juvenile Drug Treatment Courts

- BJA/OJJDP expect to receive more than 50 applications in FY 2022 and will have approximately \$20M available for awards.
- Eligible Applicants Are: State governments, city or township governments, county governments Native American tribal governments, other on behalf of a single drug court.
- Additional information can be located at: [Available Funding | Bureau of Justice Assistance \(ojp.gov\)](#).

# Family Treatment Program Resources

- [Juvenile Drug Treatment Courts | Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention \(ojp.gov\)](#)
- [Family Drug Court Program | Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention \(ojp.gov\)](#)
- [Juvenile Tribal Healing to Wellness Courts | Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention \(ojp.gov\)](#)

# Kevin and Avonte Program: Reducing Injury and Death of Missing Individuals With Dementia and Developmental Disabilities

- Supports local jurisdictions' efforts to reduce the number of deaths and injuries of individuals with forms of dementia, such as Alzheimer's Disease, or developmental disabilities, such as autism, who due to their condition wander from safe environments.
- Provides funding to develop or operate programs to prevent wandering, increase individuals' safety, and facilitate rescues and for public safety agencies and partnering nonprofit organizations to implement locative technologies to track missing individuals.
- BJA Anticipates the FY 2022 solicitation will release in the second quarter of FY 2022.

## Program History

- Kevin and Avonte's Law enacted in 2018
- Kevin and Avonte's Law is **named in honor of two boys with autism** who perished after wandering
- Nine-year-old Kevin Curtis Wills wandered from home, slipped into Iowa's Raccoon River and drowned in 2008
- Fourteen-year-old Avonte Oquendo wandered away from his school and drowned in New York City's East River in 2014.



**MISSING**  
**Avonte Oquendo**

Avonte Oquendo (14 yrs.) was last seen at his Long Island City, Queens, NY school at 12:38 p.m. on Friday (10/4/2013). Avonte is autistic and is not able to communicate verbally. He was caught on surveillance video running out of the school located on 51st Avenue. Avonte Oquendo is described as a Black male, 5'3" tall, and weighs 120 lbs. He was last seen wearing a gray striped shirt, black jeans, and black sneakers. Avonte Oquendo has no history of running away. If you have seen Avonte Oquendo, know of his whereabouts, or have information on this case, you are asked to contact the **NYPD Crime Stoppers** at **(800) 577-TIPS**, log onto the Crime Stoppers website <http://crimestoppers.nyc.gov>, or text tips to 274637 (CRIMES) and enter TIP577.

**(800) 577-TIPS**

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# Kevin and Avonte Program: Reducing Injury and Death of Missing Individuals With Dementia and Developmental Disabilities

- BJA expects to receive more than 45 applications in FY 2022 and will have approximately \$3M available for awards.
- FY 2022 Opportunities
  - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 13
  - Average Award Amount: Up to \$150,000
- Eligible Applicants Are:
  - **Category 1:** Health care agencies State or local law enforcement, tribal law enforcement, or other public safety agencies Nonprofit organizations (including tribal nonprofit) with preference given to nonprofits that work with such entities in planning, designing, establishing, or operating locally based, proactive programs to locate and prevent the wandering of missing individuals with forms of dementia such as Alzheimer's disease or developmental disabilities such as autism
  - **Category 2:** Health care agencies State or local law enforcement, tribal law enforcement, or other public safety agencies Federally recognized Indian tribal governments that perform public safety activities
- Additional information can be located on our Info Page on BJA.gov located at: [Available Funding | Bureau of Justice Assistance \(ojp.gov\)](#).

# Kevin and Avonte Program Resources

[Home Safe | International Association of Chiefs of Police \(theiacp.org\)](https://theiacp.org)

Supporting local jurisdictions' efforts to reduce the number of deaths and injuries of individuals with forms of dementia such as Alzheimer's disease or developmental disabilities such as autism who, due to their condition, wander from safe environments.

# Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program

- The Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program (JMHCPC) supports innovative cross-system collaboration for individuals with mental illnesses or co-occurring mental health and substance abuse disorders who come into contact with the justice system.
- BJA Anticipates the FY 2022 JMHCPC solicitation will release in the second quarter of FY 2022.

# Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program

- BJA expects to receive more than 50 applications in FY 2022 and will have approximately \$15M available for awards.
- FY 2022 Opportunities
  - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 60
  - Average Award Amount: Up to \$550,000
- Eligible Applicants Are: City or township governments, County governments, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, State governments and Other:
  - **Other** can be described as agencies with a different legal status (e.g., nonprofit or for-profit mental health agencies) are eligible to apply only if they also have been designated as a state agency or unit of local government to provide behavioral health services. Documentation to support this designation must be attached to the application.
- Additional information can be located at: [Available Funding | Bureau of Justice Assistance \(ojp.gov\)](#).

# Program Planning Resources

- <https://csgjusticecenter.org/mental-health/publications/behavioral-health-diversion-interventions-moving-from-individual-programs-to-a-systems-wide-strategy/>
- <https://csgjusticecenter.org/publications/improving-responses-to-people-who-have-co-occurring-mental-illnesses-and-substance-use-disorders-in-jails/>
- [Building Capacity to Advance Local System Change for People with Behavioral Health Needs](#)
- [4 Tips to Successfully Open a Crisis Stabilization Unit](#)

Crisis stabilization units

Pre-arrest diversion, post arrest jail diversion

Mental health (MHD) and Co-occurring (MHSUD) Substance Use Disorder screening, assessment, and treatment in jail

Mental health courts

Community corrections specializing in MH caseloads

# National Initiatives: Justice and Mental Health TTA

- This joint solicitation will include Training and Technical Assistance (TTA) categories for multiple justice and mental health programs that include site based programmatic TTA and broader, TTA for the field. TTA provider(s) are to support the Justice and Mental Health Collaboration (JMHCP) Connect and Protect Law Enforcement Behavioral Health Responses site-based grantees, and people with disabilities who wander from safety. It aims to increase state-based and local capacity for unfunded communities in need of assistance to initiate or enhance a strategic partnership and plan for programming.
- BJA Anticipates the FY 2022 solicitation will release in the second quarter of FY 2022.

# National Initiatives: Justice and Mental Health TTA

- BJA expects to receive more than 15 applications in FY 2022 and will have approximately \$8.5M available for awards.
- Eligible Applicants Are: 5 TTA categories
  1. TTA for JMHCP site-based grantees
  2. TTA for Connect and Protect Law Enforcement Behavioral Health grantees
  3. TTA to Enhance Law Enforcement Services for Improved Agency Operations, Policies and Response to People with MHDs/MHSUDs: Supporting state/local capacity building for jurisdictions and the field.
  4. TTA for Collaborative Crisis Response and Intervention Training grantees
  5. TTA for Kevin and Avonte site-based grantees
- Eligible Applicants: Nonprofit organizations (including tribal organizations) and for-profit (commercial and tribal) organizations, faith-based and community organizations, and institutions of higher education (including tribal institutions of higher education).
- Additional information can be located at: [Available Funding | Bureau of Justice Assistance \(ojp.gov\)](https://www.ojp.gov/available-funding).

# Residential Substance Abuse Treatment for State Prisoners (RSAT) Program

- This program assists state, local, and tribal governments in the development and implementation of substance abuse treatment programs in correctional and detention facilities. Funds are also available to create and maintain community reintegration services for offenders after they are released from incarceration. Its objectives are to enhance the capabilities of governments to provide residential treatment for inmates, prepare them for reintegration into the community, and deliver community-based services.
- BJA Anticipates the FY 2022 solicitation will release in the second quarter of FY 2022.



# Residential Substance Abuse Treatment for State Prisoners (RSAT) Program

- In FY 2022 BJA expects it will have approximately \$40M available for awards.
- FY 2022 Opportunities:
  - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 56
  - Estimated Average Award Amount: Approximately \$540,000
- Eligible Applicants Are: State Governments
- Additional information can be located at: [Available Funding | Bureau of Justice Assistance \(ojp.gov\)](#).

# RSAT Program Resources

- Promising Practices Guidelines for RSAT  
[PPG-for-RSAT Jan2021 \(rsat-tta.com\)](https://rsat-tta.com/PPG-for-RSAT_Jan2021)
- Compendium of RSAT Programs  
[RSAT T&TA - Compendiums \(rsat-tta.com\)](https://rsat-tta.com/RSAT-T&TA-Compendiums)
- RSAT Program Training and Technical Assistance Website  
<https://rsat-tta.com>

# Residential Substance Abuse Treatment for State Prisoners (RSAT) TTA Program

- The RSAT Training and Technical Assistance (TTA) Program assists states and local governments to develop and implement substance use disorder treatment programs in state, local and tribal correctional and detention facilities and to create and maintain community-based aftercare and reentry services.
- BJA Anticipates the FY 2022 solicitation will release in the second quarter of FY 2022.

# Residential Substance Abuse Treatment for State Prisoners (RSAT) TTA Program

- BJA expects to receive more than 3 applications in FY 2022 and will have approximately \$1.2M available for awards.
- Eligible Applicants Are: Nonprofit organizations, for-profit organizations (including tribal nonprofit or for-profit organizations), institutions of higher education (including tribal institutions of higher education), faith-based organizations, and consortiums.
- Additional information can be located at: [Available Funding | Bureau of Justice Assistance \(ojp.gov\)](#).

# RSAT TTA Program Resources

- RSAT Program Training and Technical Assistance Website  
<https://rsat-tta.com>
- Promising Practices Guidelines for RSAT  
[PPG-for-RSAT\\_Jan2021 \(rsat-tta.com\)](https://rsat-tta.com/PPG-for-RSAT_Jan2021)
- RSAT Fidelity Assessment Instrument  
[FAI-Revised---Assessor-s-Version-1-22 \(rsat-tta.com\)](https://rsat-tta.com/FAI-Revised---Assessor-s-Version-1-22)

# Adult Drug Court Discretionary Grant Program

- The Adult Drug Court Discretionary Grant Program supports state, local, and tribal governments and courts to develop and implement drug courts that effectively integrate evidence-based SUD treatment, mandatory drug testing, sanctions and incentives, and transitional services in a judicially supervised court setting with jurisdiction over high risk, high needs defendants with addictions, including those at risk for overdose.
- This program supports significant investments in rural jurisdictions to enhance access to treatment and recovery support services and to prevent overdose.

# Adult Drug Court Discretionary Grant Program

- BJA expects to receive more than 72 applications in FY 2022 and will have approximately \$83M available for awards.
- FY 2022 Opportunities
  - **Category 1:** Planning and Implementation. Estimated Number of Awards 11. Average Award Amount: Up to \$700,000;
  - **Category 2:** Enhancement. Estimated Number of Awards 26. Average Award Amount: Up to \$750,000; and
  - **Category 3:** Statewide. Estimated Number of Awards 8. Average Award Amount: Up to \$2,000,000
- Eligible Applicants Are: State governments, city or township governments, county governments Native American tribal governments, other on behalf of a single drug court.
- Additional information can be located on our Info Page on BJA.gov located at <https://bja.ojp.gov/program/adult-drug-court-grant-program/overview>.

# Adult Drug Court Program Resources

- [National Drug Court Resource Center \(NDCRC\)](#). BJA-Sponsored, the NDCRC provides treatment court professionals with the resources needed to design and implement programs that align with best practice standards, expand and enhance court operations, as well as collect and analyze program data.
- [Drug Court Best Practice Standards](#). National Association of Drug Court Professionals (NADCP), 2018. NADCP identified 10 best practice standards, volumes I and II. These standards represent the cumulative body of the most current evidence-based practices available to drug courts to effectively operationalize the drug court 10 key components.
- [Ten Key Components for Adult Drug Courts](#). BJA-Sponsored, NADCP, January 2004. The key components provide the foundation for the successful operation of a drug court program.
- [The 10 Essential Elements of Opioid Courts](#). BJA-Sponsored, Center for Court Innovation, 2019. The purpose of this publication is to help court planners develop opioid intervention courts that incorporate the best knowledge currently available, while following a consistent model that can be evaluated and refined for the benefit of the field as a whole.
- [Drug Court Training and Technical Assistance](#). Assist adult drug courts and veterans treatment courts with the development and implementation of program practices to improve program effectiveness and long-term participant success.



# Veterans Treatment Court Discretionary Grant Program

- The Veterans Treatment Court Discretionary Grant Program supports state, local, and tribal governments and courts to develop and implement veterans treatment courts that effectively integrate evidence-based substance use disorder (SUD) treatment, mandatory drug testing, sanctions and incentives, and transitional services in judicially supervised court settings that have jurisdiction over veterans involved with the criminal justice system who have SUDs and a history of violence and post-traumatic stress disorder as a result of their military service.
- This program supports investment in rural jurisdictions and those without drug court services.

# Veterans Treatment Court Discretionary Grant Program

- BJA expects to receive more than 37 applications in FY 2022 and will have approximately \$25M available for awards.
- FY 2022 Opportunities
  - **Category 1:** Planning and Implementation. Estimated Number of Awards 6. Average Award Amount: Up to \$700,000;
  - **Category 2:** Enhancement. Estimated Number of Awards 14. Average Award Amount: Up to \$750,000; and
  - **Category 3:** Statewide. Estimated Number of Awards 2. Average Award Amount: Up to \$2,000,000
- Eligible Applicants Are: State governments, city or township governments, county governments Native American tribal governments, other on behalf of a single veterans treatment court.
- Additional information can be located on our Info Page on BJA.gov located at <https://bja.ojp.gov/program/veterans-treatment-court-grant-program/overview>.

# Veterans Treatment Program Resources

- [Justice for Vets \(JFV\)](#). JFV is dedicated to transforming the way the justice system identifies, assesses and treats our veterans, leading the national effort to put a veterans treatment court in reach of every veteran in need. JFV helped establish over 250 veterans treatment courts and trained over 3,000 court staff.
- [Ten Key Components for Veterans Treatment Courts](#), Justice for Vets, March 2017. Modeled after the adult drug court key components, these key components provide the foundation for the successful operation of a veterans treatment court.
- [Drug Court Review: Veterans Treatment Court, Winter 2018 Issue](#), BJA-Sponsored, National Drug Court Resource Center. The winter 2018 issue of the *Drug Court Review* focuses on veterans treatment courts (VTCs) to develop a deeper understanding of how these courts work. The issue is a curated compilation of research articles, a practitioner note, and a legal commentary designed to increase knowledge about VTCs and call attention to areas in need of inquiry or further consideration.
- [Eighth Judicial District Court of Montana](#). On October 1, 2019, BJA awarded grant funds to the Eighth Judicial District Court of the State of Montana. The grant allowed for the creation of the first veterans treatment court (VTC) program for Native Americans in Cascade County, Montana.

# What's Next

- Expected Solicitation Release Dates: **March through June**
- Application Submission Deadlines: Usually open for **at least 60 days**; some may be open longer.
- Subscribe to **NewsFromBJA** to receive announcements of funding releases at <https://bj.a.ojp.gov/subscribe>.

# **BJA FY 2022 Resources Available for Grant Applicants**

# Application Assistance

## Grants.gov

- Provides technical assistance with submitting the SF-424 and SF-LLL.
  - **Customer Support Hotline** – 800-518-4726 or 606-545-5035
    - 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](mailto:support@grants.gov)
- Provides information on available federal funding opportunities for various federal agencies.

# Application Assistance (cont.)

## JustGrants Technical Support

- Provides technical assistance with submitting the full application in DOJ's Justice Grants System (JustGrants).
  - **Customer Support Hotline** – 833-872-5175
    - Monday – Friday between 5:00 AM and 9:00 PM EST.
    - Saturday, Sunday, and Federal holidays from 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM EST.
  - **Email**
    - <https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/user-support>
    - [JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov](mailto:JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov)

# Application Assistance and Support (cont.)

## OJP Response Center

- Provides solicitation support and general assistance.
- **email** - [grants@ncjrs.gov](mailto:grants@ncjrs.gov)
- **web chat** - <https://webcontact.ncjrs.gov/ncjchat/chat.jsp>
- **toll free** at 800–851–3420;
- **TTY** at 301–240–6310 (hearing impaired only)

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

## Subscribe

- Subscribe to receive email notifications of new funding opportunities and other resources.
  - Sign-up to receive the twice monthly **JUSTINFO** newsletter as well as the weekly **Funding News** email.
  - Subscribe at <https://www.ojp.gov/subscribe> and be sure to select “Grants/funding” as an area of interest.



# Resources for FY 2022 Grant Applicants

- OJP Funding Resource Center  
<https://ojp.gov/funding/index.htm>
- DOJ Grants Financial Guide  
<https://ojp.gov/financilaguidedojoj/overview>
- DOJ Grants Financial Management Online Training  
<https://www.ojp.gov/training/financial-management-training>
- OJP Grant Application Resource Guide  
<https://ojp.gov/funding/Apply/Resources/Grant-App-Resource-Guide.htm>

# BJA Grant Applicant Education Series

To access previous webinar recordings, transcripts, and slides visit:

<https://www.bja.gov/funding/webinars.html>.

# Become a peer reviewer

- If you are interested in becoming a peer reviewer, please submit an up-to-date resume or curriculum vitae, including a valid email address, to: [BJAreviewer@ojp.usdoj.gov](mailto:BJAreviewer@ojp.usdoj.gov).
- Please put "Peer Reviewer Candidate Resume" in the subject line.

# Reminder: Dual Deadlines

Applications will be submitted in a two-step process, each with its own deadline:

- Step 1: Submit an SF-424 and an SF-LLL at [Grants.gov](https://www.Grants.gov).
- Step 2: Submit the full application, with attachments, at [JusticeGrants.usdoj.gov](https://www.JusticeGrants.usdoj.gov).

***\*NOTE: Submission deadline times for both Grants.gov and JustGrants are now 8:59pm ET, not 11:59pm ET as in past years.***

**Read the solicitations carefully for further guidance.**

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**BJA's website** – <https://bja.ojp.gov>

# Quick Reference: Important Contacts



## Solicitation Content Assistance

1-800-851-3420

Grants@ncjrs.gov

10-6 EST, M-F



## Submit the SF-424 and SF- LLL

1-800-518-4726

Support@grants.gov

24 hours a day, 7 days a week



JUSTICE GRANTS SYSTEM

## Submit full application

1-833-872-5175

JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov

5-9 EST, M-F

9-5 EST, Weekends, Holidays

# Questions?

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