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What is the Office of Justice Programs?

- The Office of Justice Programs (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).
U.S. Department of Justice
Bureau of Justice Assistance

**Mission:** BJA’s mission is to provide leadership and services in grant administration and criminal justice policy development to support state, local, and tribal justice strategies to achieve safer communities. BJA works with communities, governments, and nonprofit organizations to reduce crime, recidivism, and unnecessary confinement, and promote a safe and fair criminal justice system.

Karlton F. Moore, BJA Director

https://bja.ojp.gov/
How BJA Supports the Field

**Investments**
Provide diverse funding to accomplish goals.

**Sharing Knowledge**
Research, develop, and deliver what works to build capacity and improve outcomes.

**Engagement**
Consult, connect, and convene.
Over 80 planned solicitations in FY24

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Current Solicitations

https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/current

Planned Solicitations

https://www.justice.gov/dojgrantsprogramplan
Types of BJA Grants

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

Discretionary
- 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
- Awarded *directly* by OJP to eligible recipients
Formula Grants
Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)

JAG is OJP’s flagship grant program and the leading source of federal justice funding to state, local, and tribal jurisdictions. There are nine broad purpose areas:

1) Law enforcement programs
2) Prosecution and court programs
3) Crime Prevention and education programs
4) Corrections and community corrections, including reentry
5) Drug treatment and enforcement programs

6) Planning, evaluation, and technology improvement
7) Crime victim and witness programs (noncompensation)
8) Mental health programs (and related law enforcement and corrections programs, including behavioral programs and crisis intervention teams)
9) Implementation of state crisis intervention court proceedings and related programs or initiatives (including but not limited to mental health courts, drug courts, veterans’ courts, and extreme risk protection order programs)
Eligible Applicants

- **JAG State awards**: Only states may apply under this solicitation, and states must designate a single SAA that has authority to apply on their behalf.
- **JAG Local awards**: Only units of local government appearing on the JAG Allocations List may apply under this solicitation.

FY23 Awards

- **JAG State awards**: 56 awards totaling $209,416,792
- **JAG Local awards**: 949 awards totaling $96,562,411

FY 2024 Opportunities

The FY 2024 JAG (state and local) funding solicitation will be released in the summer. Visit [https://bja.ojp.gov/program/jag/overview](https://bja.ojp.gov/program/jag/overview) for more information.
Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (SCIP)

Funds to states to implement state crisis intervention court proceedings and related programs or initiatives, including, but not limited to, ERPO programs that work to keep guns out of the hands of those who pose a threat to themselves or others, mental health courts, drug courts, and veterans treatment courts.

$750 million for 5 years
• 150 million per year (FY 2022 – FY 2026)
• 51 FY22-23 awards made $248,143,943

- Implementing Extreme Risk Protection Order (ERPO) programs
- Training those implementing ERPO programs
- Communication, education, and public awareness of ERPO
- Funds may not be used, either directly or indirectly, to support the enactment, repeal, modification, or adoption of any law, regulation, or policy, at any level of government.

- Specialized court-based programs such as drug, mental health, and veterans treatment courts, including those that specifically accept clients with firearm violations
- Behavioral health deflection for those at risk to themselves or others
- Funding for law enforcement agencies to safely secure, store, track, and return relinquished guns
Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN)

• Funding to provide support to state, local, and tribal efforts to reduce crime problems in a community.

• Coordinated by the U.S. Attorneys’ Offices (USAOs) in the 94 federal judicial districts.

• Encourages the development of practitioner-researcher partnerships that use data, evidence, and innovation to create strategies and interventions that are effective and make communities safer.
State Administering Agencies

Overview

Many OJP formula grants are awarded directly to state governments, which then set priorities and allocate funds within that state. For more information on how a state intends to distribute formula grant funds, contact the appropriate state administering agency (SAA). If you are using grant monies for information technology, you can comply with the special condition by contacting the State and Territory Technology Points of Contact in your state.

Alabama SAA
Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)
Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program
Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs
334-242-5100 (phone)
contact@adea.alaabama.gov (email)
https://adea.alaabama.gov/ (website)

Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (SCIP)
Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs
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https://adea.alaabama.gov/ (website)

Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grant Program
Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs
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Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT) for State Prisoners Program
Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs
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https://adea.alaabama.gov/ (website)

Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP)

https://www.ojp.gov/funding/state-administering-agencies/overview
Programs Supporting Law Enforcement

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- Body-worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program
- Collaborative Crisis Response Intervention and Training Program
- Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant and Substance Use Program (COSSUP)
- Connect and Protect: Law Enforcement Behavioral Health Responses
- Harold Rogers Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP)
- Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program (JMHCP)
- Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS)
- Crime Gun Intelligence Center Site-Based Program
- DNA Capacity Enhancement for Backlog Reduction Program
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- STOP School Violence Site-Based Program
- Upholding the Rule of Law and Preventing Wrongful Convictions Program
- Virtual Reality De-Escalation Site-Based Program
Body-worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program to Support Law Enforcement Agencies

• **Who May Apply?**
  o City or township, county, special district, state, and federally recognized Native American tribal governments
  o Independent school districts
  o Public and state-controlled institutions of higher education
  o Public housing/Indian housing authorities
  o State, county, and local law enforcement agencies
  o Correctional agencies that perform law enforcement functions
  o University and college law enforcement agencies at publicly funded institutions
  o Publicly funded specialized police forces such as park police, independent school district police, transit police, or fish and game enforcement agencies
  o Prosecutors’ offices
  o State or regional consortia that support such agencies, including state administering agencies

• **Why Apply?**
  Receive funding to purchase or lease body-worn cameras (BWCs) to establish or expand a comprehensive BWC program. Or receive funding for a demonstration project to improve the management, sharing, and integration of digital evidence generated from BWCs; or optimize how prosecutors leverage BWC footage to improve operations; or use BWC footage to enhance officer training or constitutional policing practices.

• **Maximum per Award**
  o Up to $2 million per award for law enforcement and state correctional agencies
  o Up to $1 million per demonstration project award
Small, Rural, Tribal Body Worn Camera Program

The new microgrant program application kit is now available. The submission deadline is on 03/04/24. We have a two-step registration process. Complete the form below to access a link to the application portal.

The SRT BWC program provides funds for body-worn cameras to:

1) any law enforcement department with 50 or fewer full-time sworn personnel;
2) rural agencies (those agencies within non-urban or non-metro counties); and
3) federally-recognized tribal agencies.

Funds must be used to purchase or lease body-worn cameras and may include expenses reasonably related to a comprehensive BWC program. Funding can be used to support pilot BWC programs, establish new BWC implementation, or expand existing programs.

☑️ A one-to-one match is required and can be an “in-kind” match.
☑️ Grant awards will be made in 2024.

https://www.srtbwc.com/funding-availability/
Collaborative Crisis Response and Intervention Training Program

• **Who May Apply?**
  - City or township, county, or state governments
  - Native American tribal governments (federally recognized)
  - Public and state-controlled institutions of higher education with on-campus police departments

• **Why Apply?**
  Receive funding to implement crisis response and intervention training (CRIT) that will support law enforcement, correctional, probation and parole, and sheriff’s department officers on how to effectively partner with mental health, substance use disorder, and community service agencies to improve responses to individuals in crisis who have behavioral health conditions or intellectual, developmental, or physical disabilities.

• **Maximum per Award**
  - Up to $250,000 per award
Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Site-based Program (COSSUP)

- **Who May Apply?**
  - City or township governments
  - County governments
  - Native American tribal governments (federally recognized)
  - State governments
  - Other

- **Why Apply?**
  Receive funding to develop, implement, or expand comprehensive programs that address the overdose crisis and the impacts of use and misuse of opioids, stimulants, or other substances.

- **Maximum per Award**
  - Local applications: up to $1.6 million per award, including no-cost training and technical assistance (TTA)
  - State applications: up to $7 million per award, including TTA
Connect and Protect: Law Enforcement Behavioral Health Response Program

• Who May Apply?
  o City or township, county, state, and Native American tribal governments (federally recognized)
  o Public- and state-controlled institutions of higher education
  o Nonprofit or for-profit mental health agencies are eligible if they provide services as a unit of the state or local government

• Why Apply?
  Receive funding to support law enforcement and behavioral health cross-system collaboration that will improve public health and safety responses to and outcomes for individuals with mental health disorders or co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders.

• Maximum per Award
  Up to $550,000 per award

Grants.gov Deadline: May 1, 2024
JustGrants Deadline: May 6, 2024
Harold Rogers Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP)

- **Who May Apply?**
  - **Category 1 – PDMP Implementation, Maintenance, and Enhancement Grants:** state governments, Native American tribal organizations (other than federally recognized tribal governments), and Native American tribal governments (federally recognized)
  - **Category 2 – Data-driven Response, Multistate Projects, or Advancement of PDMP:** state governments, Native American tribal organizations (other than federally recognized tribal governments), Native American tribal governments (federally recognized), private, public, and state-controlled institutions of higher education, nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS (other than institutions of higher education), and nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS (other than institutions of higher education)

- **Why Apply?**
  - **Category 1:** Receive funding to implement and/or enhance PDMPs or support integration with other health information technology systems.
  - **Category 2:** Receive funding to develop and test innovative strategies or implement a multistate effort that can be replicated in other states.

- **Maximum per Award**
  - **Category 1:** up to $2,000,000
  - **Category 2:** up to $1,000,000
Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program

• **Who May Apply?**
  - City or township, county, or state governments
  - Special district governments
  - Native American tribal governments (federally recognized)
  - Public- and state-controlled institutions of higher education
  - Other

• **Why Apply?**
  Receive funding to support cross-system collaboration to improve public safety responses to and outcomes for individuals with mental health disorders (MHDs) or co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders (MHSUDs) who come into contact with the criminal justice system or are leaving a custodial setting.

• **Maximum per Award**
  $550,000 per award, including no-cost training and technical assistance
Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS)

• **Who May Apply?**
  o Federally recognized Native American tribal governments
  o Consortia consisting of two or more federally recognized Indian Tribes

• **Why Apply?**
  This solicitation combines seven of DOJ’s tribal government-specific competitive solicitations into one, requiring only one application. Receive funding from BJA to engage in two purpose areas (PAs) related to prosecution, defense, and courts:
  • PA 2: Justice system strategic planning
  • PA 3: Develop and enhance adult tribal justice systems ranging from law enforcement to courts to corrections
  • PA 4: Renovate, expand, replace, or build tribal justice-related facilities.

• **Maximum per Award**
  o PA 2: $150,000 per award, including no-cost training and technical assistance (TTA)
  o PA 3: up to $900,000 per award, including no-cost TTA
  o PA 4: up to $1,600,000 per award (single jurisdiction facility); up to $5,600,000 (regional facility)

**Grants.gov Deadline:** March 5, 2024
**JustGrants Deadline:** March 12, 2024
Crime Gun Intelligence Center Integration Initiative (CGICs)

• Who May Apply?
  o State, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies
  o Governmental non-law enforcement agencies

• Why Apply?
  Receive funding to establish Crime Gun Intelligence Centers, in collaboration with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, to identify crime guns and their sources, and then prosecute the perpetrators.

• Maximum per Award
  Up to $700,000 per award, including no-cost training and technical assistance
DNA Capacity Enhancement for Backlog Reduction Program

Who May Apply?
- City or township, county, or state governments
- Public and state-controlled institutions of higher education

Why Apply?
Receive funding to conduct, and increase capacity to conduct, analyses of crime scene samples for entry into CODIS in order to reduce the number of forensic DNA and DNA database samples awaiting analysis and/or prevent a backlog of forensic and database DNA samples.

Maximum per Award
Up to $3,500,000 based on a formula, plus up to $1,000,000 per award for those that apply under the competitive/discretionary program
Emmett Till Cold Case Investigations Program

• **Who May Apply?**
  State, local, and tribal enforcement and prosecutions agencies

• **Why Apply?**
  Receive funding to support activities and expenses associated with the investigation and prosecution of cold case murders involving civil rights violations, as authorized by the Emmett Till Unsolved Civil Rights Crimes Reauthorization Act of 2016; address hate crimes; and enhance the rule of law through the resolution of unsolved homicides.

• **Maximum per Award**
  Up to $750,00 per award
Missing and Unidentified Human Remains (MUHR) Program

Who May Apply?
- City or township, county, or state governments
- Accredited, publicly funded, Combined DNA Index System (commonly known as “CODIS”) forensic laboratories
- Medical examiner offices
- Accredited, publicly funded toxicology laboratories
- Accredited, publicly funded crime laboratories
- Publicly funded university forensic anthropology laboratories
- Other

Why Apply?
Receive funding to improve the reporting, transportation, processing, and identification of missing persons and unidentified human remains, including migrants.

Maximum per Award
- Up to $1,000,000 per award for statewide agencies and for one applicant to provide services to small, rural, and/or tribal entities
- Up to $500,000 per award for counties and/or units of local government
Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI)

• **Who May Apply?**
  o State law enforcement agencies
  o Small law enforcement agencies
  o Units of local government
  o Prosecutors’ offices
  o Native American tribal governments (federally recognized)
  o Governmental nonlaw enforcement agencies acting as fiscal agents

  *Varies by purpose area*

• **Why Apply?**
Receive funding to improve state and local jurisdictions’ capacities to respond to violent crime and the functioning of the criminal justice system through the investigation and prosecution of cases resulting from sexual assault kit (SAK) evidence and the collection of lawfully owed DNA from convicted offenders.

• **Maximum per Award**
Varies by Purpose Area. Up to $2,500,000 per award.
Prosecuting Cold Cases Using DNA

• Who May Apply?
  o State, county, city, or township governments
  o Native American tribal governments (federally recognized) and tribal organizations
  o Special district governments
  o State and local prosecuting agencies
  o Law enforcement agencies
  o State agencies

• Why Apply?
  Receive funding to support prosecution of violent crime cold cases where a DNA profile from a suspect has been identified, investigative activities, and crime and forensic analysis that can lead to prosecution.

• Maximum per Award
  Up to $500,000 per award
Field Initiated: Encouraging Innovation

Invests in collaborations with the field and experts to prevent and reduce crime and enhance the criminal justice system through innovative approaches that accelerate justice by identifying, defining, and responding to emerging or chronic crime problems and systemic issues. BJA is looking for new approaches that address gaps in responses, build or translate research knowledge, or build capacity.

FY 2024 Opportunities: Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 10
Average Award Amount: Up to $1,000,000

Category 1: State, Local, Tribal, or Regional Field Tests
Category 2: National Strategies

Who May Apply?
- City or township, county, or state governments
- Special district governments
- Native American tribal governments (federally recognized)
- Native American tribal organizations (other than federally recognized tribal governments)
- Public- and state-controlled institutions of higher education

Why Apply?
Receive funding to support law enforcement agencies that have an intellectual property (IP) enforcement task force or plan to create one.

Maximum per Award
Up to $375,00 per award
Kevin and Avonte Program: Reducing Injury and Death of Missing Individuals with Dementia and Developmental Disabilities

• Who May Apply?
  o State, local, and Native American law enforcement and other public safety agencies
  o Health care agencies
  o Nonprofit organizations that plan, design, or operate locally based, proactive programs to locate and prevent the wandering of missing individuals

• Why Apply?
  Receive funding to develop a comprehensive approach that responds to and prevents the wandering of individuals with forms of dementia (such as Alzheimer’s disease) or children with developmental disabilities (such as autism), or to purchase tracking technology.

• Maximum per Award
  Up to $150,000 per award, including no-cost training and technical assistance
Matthew Shepard and James Byrd, Jr. Hate Crimes Program

• Who May Apply?
  State, local, and tribal enforcement and prosecutions agencies

• Why Apply?
  Receive funding to support conducting outreach, educating practitioners and the public, enhancing victim reporting tools, and investigating and prosecuting hate crimes.

• Maximum per Award
  o Up to $4,000,000 for Category 1 – State or Regional Applications
  o Up to $400,000 for Category 2 - Single Agency Applications
Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program

• **Who May Apply?**
  States, units of local government, and federally recognized Indian tribes

• **Why Apply?**
  Receive up to 50 percent of the cost of body armor vests purchased for law enforcement officers.

• **Maximum per Award**
  o Varies by jurisdiction.

https://bja.ojp.gov/program/patrick-leahy-bvp-program/overview
Rural and Small Department Violent Crime Reduction Program

Who May Apply?
- City or township governments
- County governments
- Native American tribal governments (federally recognized)

Why Apply?
Receive funding to support small and rural agencies in their efforts to combat violent crime. This program will provide funding to small and/or rural agencies and/or to prosecutors who are interested in implementing or improving the capacity of their organization around one or more critical elements found in the Violent Crime Reductions Operations Guide or the Prosecutors’ Guide to Reducing Violence and Building Safer Communities.

Maximum per Award
Up to $300,000
Smart Policing Initiative (SPI) Program

• Who May Apply?
  o State, local, tribal, and campus law enforcement agencies
  o Governmental nonlaw enforcement agencies acting as their fiscal agent
  o Federally recognized Indian tribal governments that perform law enforcement functions
  o Tribal consortia consisting of two or more federally recognized Indian tribes (including tribal consortia operated as nonprofit organizations) acting as a fiscal agent for one or more tribal law enforcement agencies

• Why Apply?
  Receive funding to support innovative and evidence-based policing practices, more effective information sharing, and multiagency collaboration.

• Maximum per Award
  o Up to $800,000 per award including no-cost training and technical assistance
STOP School Violence

• **Who May Apply?**
  - **Category 1:** state governments or public and state-controlled institutions of higher education
  - **Category 2:** city or township, county, or federally recognized Native American tribal governments, as well as units of local government; nonprofits with or without a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; independent school districts; and private institutions of higher education

• **Why Apply?**
  Receive funding to prevent violence in K–12 school settings by implementing behavioral threat assessments and/or intervention teams, technological solutions such as anonymous reporting technology, and other strategies that increase school safety.

• **Maximum per Award**
  - Category 1: up to $2,000,000 per award
  - Category 2: up to $1,000,000 per award
Upholding the Rule of Law and Preventing Wrongful Convictions Program (ROL/WCR)

Who May Apply?
- City or township, county, or state governments
- Native American tribal governments (federally recognized)
- Native American tribal organizations (other than federally recognized tribal governments)
- Nonprofits, other than institutions of higher education
- Private institutions of higher education
- Public- and state-controlled institutions of higher education
- Other

Why Apply?
Funding through this program is intended to help wrongful conviction entities, prosecutors, law enforcement, defense counsel, and courts identify actual perpetrators and develop training tools, policies, and procedures that can prevent wrongful convictions.

Maximum per Award
Up to $600,000
Virtual Reality De-escalation Training

• Who May Apply?
  o City or township, county, or state governments
  o Native American tribal governments (federally recognized)
  o Public- and state-controlled institutions of higher education

• Why Apply?
Receive funding to implement virtual reality (VR) technology designed to provide crisis response training and ensure law enforcement is effective at facilitating de-escalation skills while enhancing responses to individuals in crisis.

• Maximum per Award
$800,000 per award
TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE
The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) National Training and Technical Assistance Center (NTTAC) offers training and technical assistance (TTA) to offices to:

- Provide office or program assessments to identify gaps, suggest efficiencies, and make recommendations;
- Fund subject matter experts to provide trainings or general support;
- Fund individuals to attend trainings;
- Fund travel for peer-to-peer site visits; and
- Identify strategies to strengthen organizational operations.

The BJA CVI Checklist can be accessed at https://bjatta.bja.ojp.gov/
## VALOR Officer Safety and Wellness Initiative

Supports law enforcement through programs:

- Comprehensive officer safety and wellness
- Law enforcement resilience
- Law enforcement suicide prevention
- Roadway safety for law enforcement
- Officer safety and wellness research
- Strengthening partnerships

[https://bja.ojp.gov/program/valor/overview](https://bja.ojp.gov/program/valor/overview)
GRANT APPLICATION AND ADMINISTRATION RESOURCES
Solicitation Overview

FY24 Connect and Protect: Law Enforcement Behavioral Health Response Program

Opportunity ID: O-BJA-2024-171067
Solicitation Status: Open
Fiscal Year: 2024
Closing Date: May 6, 2024
Posting Date: February 6, 2024
Solicitation Type: Competitive

Grants.gov Deadline: May 1, 2024, 8:59 pm Eastern
Application JustGrants Deadline: May 6, 2024, 8:59 pm Eastern

Who May Apply:
State, county, city, township, or Native American tribal governments (federally recognized); public- and state-controlled institutions of higher education, and special district governments. Nonprofit or for-profit mental health agencies are eligible if they provide services as a unit of the state or local government. All applications require a demonstrated partnership through a draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between a justice entity and a mental health partner.

Why Apply:
Receive funding to support law enforcement and mental health cross-system collaboration that will improve public health and safety responses to and outcomes for individuals with mental health disorders, co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders, or intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Maximum per Award:
Up to $500,000 per award

BJA encourages the following entities to apply:
Agencies that have not previously received BJA funding.
Conversing or governing bodies that can apply on behalf of one or more entities.

Examples of strategies/activities that can be funded:
Design and implement a crisis response program such as case management, crisis intervention teams, co-responder teams, and mobile crisis teams
Training and coordination for post-crisis mental health collaboration
Data collection to inform practices and develop policies
Resident engagement via outreach and education to improve public health and safety
Enhancement of officer knowledge and skills in responding to community members with mental health disorders
Use technology to collect calls for service data involving people with behavioral health needs
Resource Webinars

• Solicitation Webinars
• Funding Opportunities for Your Community in 2024 Series
  o Behavioral Health – February 14
  o Community-based Organizations – February 15
  o Prosecution, Defense, and Courts – February 20
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  o Tribes and Tribal Organizations – February 22
  o The Federal Funding Process: First Steps to Applying, How to Prepare Now, and Other Considerations – February 26
  o Law Enforcement – February 29

Funding Webinars | Bureau of Justice Assistance (ojp.gov)
https://bja.ojp.gov/events/funding-webinars
## Prior Awards

**Prior Awards**

https://www.ojp.gov/funding/explore/ojp-award-data

## Opportunities & Awards

### OJP Award Data

Award data by program office and individual solicitations for fiscal years 2022 and 2021 can be found using the following links:

- FY 2022 Award Data
- FY 2022 Award Grant
- FY 2021 Award Data

To view award data by grant, visit **Our Funding Statistics** webpage. From this page, you have the ability to filter using various parameters, including fiscal year, program office, state, city, congressional district and award status.

View the **Interactive Map of FY 23 Awards**.

https://www.ojp.gov/funding/explore/ojp-award-data
Successful Applications | Bureau of Justice Assistance (ojp.gov)

The following table contains links to examples of project narratives associated with applications that have successfully received funding from the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA). See the Funding Awards page for details about all funding awarded by BJA.

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OJP Grant Application Resource Guide

SAM.gov Entity Validation Update

GSA implemented a new process to validate an entity's legal business name and physical address when requesting a Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) and for completing a SAM.gov entity registration. Due to a high volume of requests, entity validations are taking longer than expected to process. This validation process is now taking 7-10 business days, and in some cases, longer.

OJP strongly recommends starting your SAM.gov registration process as soon as possible to allow the time necessary to process entity validations well in advance of the Grants.gov due date posted in the solicitation. Read this FAQ for more information.

The Office of Justice Programs (OJP) Grant Application Resource Guide ("Guide") provides guidance to assist OJP grant applicants in preparing and submitting applications for OJP funding. It addresses a variety of policies, statutes, and regulations that apply to many (or in some cases, all) OJP program applicants, or to grants and cooperative agreements awarded in fiscal year (FY) 2023. Some OJP programs may have program solicitations that expressly modify a provision of this Guide; in such cases, the applicant is to follow the guidelines in the solicitation as to any such expressly modified provision.

https://www.ojp.gov/funding/apply/ojp-grant-application-resource-guide
Learn About the Department of Justice’s Grants and Payment Management Systems

The Justice Grants System (JustGrants) is the Department of Justice’s grants management system for the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office), the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) and the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW).

The JustGrants Resources website is an entryway into information about JustGrants and the system itself. Through this portal, both award recipients and applicants can access training resources and user support options, find answers to frequently asked questions and sign up for the JustGrants updates newsletter.

Users can also log into JustGrants through the site.

News Flash

Feb 21: Register Now! March Dates Added for Virtual Q&A Sessions

Aug 10: Review New and Updated JustGrants FAQs

https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/
Application Assistance

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| - 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](https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/support.html)  
    - support@grants.gov  
  
  - Provides information on available federal funding opportunities for various federal agencies. | Provides technical assistance with submitting the full application in DOJ’s Justice Grants System (JustGrants).  
  - **Customer Support Hotline**: 833-872-5175  
    - Monday – Friday between 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. ET  
    - Saturday, Sunday, and federal holidays from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. ET  
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    - JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov |
Financial and Grant Reporting Resources

- Real Property Reporting resources:
  - Frequently Asked Questions
  - Facility Utilization for Reporting Period Addendum
  - Instructions for the SF-420 Real Property Status Report
  - Real Property Status Report Attachment A (General Reporting) SF-420-A
- DOJ Grants Financial Guide
- OJP Financial Guide
- Guide to Procurement Procedures for Recipients of DOJ Grants and Cooperative Agreements
- Policy and Guidance for Conference Approval, Planning, and Reporting
- EAPA Subaward Reporting Webcast
- Federal Financial Report (SF-420) for OJP Office
- Audit Confirmation Request Form
- Grant Performance Measurement and Progress Reporting Information

Grant System Resources

- JustGrants
- JustGrants Resources
- JustGrants Training
- IT State and Territory Points of Contact

Other Resources

- State Administering Agencies
- Equal Employment Opportunity Plans (EEOP)
- Office of Civil Rights Statutes and Requirements
- Whistleblower Protections for Employees of OJP Recipients
Email Updates
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- YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/dojbja

- Subscribe to “Justice Matters” and “News From BJA” to receive the latest information from BJA and the field.

- For information on funding opportunities, publications, and initiatives, visit BJA’s website: www.bja.ojp.gov.
Additional Questions?

Contact the OJP Response Center:
• Email: grants@ncjrs.gov
• Toll free: 800–851–3420
• TTY: 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.
Questions?