FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUR COMMUNITY IN 2024: TRIBES AND TRIBAL ORGANIZATIONS

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Poll Questions

1. Have you previously applied for BJA funding?
2. Have you been successful and received a BJA award?
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).

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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.

Karhlton F. Moore, BJA Director
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.
All grant program plan data provided by the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) are subject to the availability of appropriations and potential legislative changes of statutory requirements. The information provided by DOJ is based on projected operational plans and may be updated frequently, including the addition, substitution, or cancellation of projected solicitations without advance notice.
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 (non-compensation)
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
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
334-242-5100 (phone)
contact@adea.alaabama.gov (email)
https://adea.alaabama.gov/ (website)

Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grant Program

Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs
334-242-5100 (phone)
contact@adea.alaabama.gov (email)
https://adea.alaabama.gov/ (website)

Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT) for State Prisoners Program

Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs
334-242-5100 (phone)
contact@adea.alaabama.gov (email)
https://adea.alaabama.gov/ (website)

Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP)

https://www.ojp.gov/funding/state-administering-agencies/overview
Discretionary Grants
Programs Supporting Tribes and Tribal Organizations

- Collaborative Crisis Response and Intervention Training Program
- Community Based Violence Intervention and Prevention Initiative (CVIPI)
- Community Courts Initiative
- Adult Treatment Courts Program
- Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation
- Emmett Till Cold Case Investigations and Prosecution Program
- Field Initiated: Encouraging Innovation
- Matthew Shepard and James Byrd, Jr. Hate Crimes Program
- Rural and Small Department Violent Crime Reduction Program
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- Visiting Fellows Program
- Reimagining Justice: Testing a New Model of Community Safety
- Body-Worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program
- STOP School Violence Program
- Connect and Protect: Law Enforcement Behavioral Health Response Program
- Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Site-based Program
- Improving Adult and Youth Crisis Stabilization and Community Reentry Second Chance Act Community-based Reentry Program
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- Second Chance Act: Pay for Success Program
- Second Chance Community Supervision Strategies
- Smart Reentry: Housing Demonstration Project
- Smart Supervision Program
Collaborative Crisis Response and Intervention Training Program

• **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 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**
  o Up to $250,000 per award
OJP Community Based Violence Intervention and Prevention Initiative

• Who May Apply?
  o City or township, county, special district, state, and federally recognized Native American tribal governments
  o Native American tribal organizations (other than federally recognized tribal governments)
  o Nonprofits
  o Private institutions of higher education
  o Public- and state-controlled institutions of higher education
  o Public housing/Indian housing authorities
  Varieties by purpose area

• Why Apply?
  Receive funding to prevent and reduce violent crime in communities by supporting comprehensive, evidence-based violence intervention and prevention programs.

• Maximum per Award
  Varieties by Purpose Area. Up to $4,00,000 per award.
Community Courts Initiative

• Who May Apply?
  o City or township, county, state, and Native American tribal (federally recognized) governments
  o State, city, township, county, or tribal government acting directly or through agreements with other public or private entities on behalf of a single community court

• Why Apply?
  Receive funding to support neighborhood-focused court programs that combine the power of the community and the justice system to address community safety, public health, and other social issues occurring within a jurisdiction.

• Maximum per Award
  o Up to $900,000 per award
Adult Treatment Court Program

• Who May Apply?
  o State, special district, city or township, county, and Native American tribal governments (federally recognized)
  o Public housing and Indian housing authorities
  o State agencies involved with the provision of substance use and/or mental health services

• Why Apply?
  Receive funding to plan, implement, and enhance adult treatment courts for individuals involved with the justice system who have substance use disorders, including stimulant, opioid, and other substances.

• Maximum per Award
  o Up to $900,000 per award for planning and implementation
  o Up to $1,000,000 per award for enhancement
  o Up to $2,500,000 per award for statewide
  All include no-cost technical assistance

Grants.gov deadline: May 2, 2024
JustGrants deadline: May 9, 2024
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
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
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
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**
  - Up to $4,000,000 for Category 1 – State or Regional Applications
  - Up to $400,000 for Category 2 - Single Agency Applications
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
Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI)

**Who May Apply?**
- State law enforcement agencies
- Small law enforcement agencies
- Units of local government
- Prosecutors’ offices
- Native American tribal governments (federally recognized)
- 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.
Visiting Fellow Program

• **Who May Apply?**
  - City, township, county, state, or tribal governments
  - Native American tribal organizations (other than federally recognized tribal governments)
  - Nonprofits, other than institutions of higher education
  - For profit organizations and small businesses
  - Public, private, and state controlled institutions of higher education
  - 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**
  Up to $500,000 per award
Reimagining Justice: Testing a New Model of Community Safety

• Who May Apply?
  o Native American tribal governments (federally recognized) and tribal organizations
  o Nonprofits with or without 501(c)(3) status, other than institutions of higher education
  o Private, public, and state controlled institutions of higher education
  o Local non-law enforcement government agencies

• Why Apply?
  Receive funding for the development and testing of a new or innovative approach to improving community safety and trust that is an alternative to traditional enforcement mechanisms for neighborhoods experiencing high rates of less serious and low-level criminal offenses.

• Maximum per Award
  Up to $2,000,000 per award
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/
STOP School Violence

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

• Why Apply?
  Receive funding to support training that will improve school climate using school-based behavioral threat assessments and/or intervention teams to identify school violence risks among students, technological solutions shown to increase school safety such as anonymous reporting technology, and other school safety strategies that assist in preventing violence.

• Maximum per Award
  Up to $2,000,000 per award
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
Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Site-based Program (COSSUP)

- **Who May Apply?**
  - City or township, county, and state governments
  - Native American tribal governments (federally recognized)
  - 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

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
Improving Adult and Youth Crisis Stabilization and Community Reentry

• **Who May Apply?**
  - State, city or township, county governments
  - Native American tribal governments (federally recognized)
  - Community-based nonprofits and behavioral health care providers

• **Why Apply?**
  Receive funding to enhance or implement services to improve reentry, reduce recidivism, and address the treatment and recovery needs of people with mental health, substance use, or co-occurring disorders who are currently, or were formerly, involved in the criminal justice system.

• **Maximum per Award**
  $750,000 per award, including no-cost training and technical assistance
Second Chance Act
Community-based Reentry Program

• Who May Apply?
  o Native American tribal governments (federally recognized)
  o Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education

• Why Apply?
  Receive funding to enhance or implement evidence-based responses to improve reentry, reduce recidivism, and support successful transitional planning for individuals who are currently, or were formerly, involved in the criminal justice system.

• Maximum per Award
  Up to $750,000 per award
Second Chance Act
Improving Reentry
Education & Employment Outcomes Program

• Who May Apply?
  o State, city or township, county, governments
  o Native American tribal governments (federally recognized)
  o Public- and state-controlled institutions of higher education
  o Independent school districts
  o Nonprofits that are not institutions of higher education
  o For-profit organizations and small businesses

• Why Apply?
  Receive funding to support corrections systems in implementing and expanding education and employment programs that serve individuals during incarceration and throughout the period of reentry into their communities.

• Maximum per Award
  Up to $900,000 per award
Second Chance Act
Improving Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Recovery Outcomes for Adults in Reentry

• **Who May Apply?**
  - State, city or township, county governments
  - Native American tribal governments (federally recognized)
  - Nonprofits that are not institutions of higher education businesses

• **Why Apply?**
  Receive funding to establish, expand, or improve treatment and recovery support services for people with substance use disorders (SUDs) or co-occurring substance use and mental health disorders (COD) during their incarceration and upon reentry into their communities.

• **Maximum per Award**
  $1,125,000 per award, including no-cost training and technical assistance
Second Chance Act: Pay for Success Program

• Who May Apply?
  o State, city or township, county, and Native American tribal governments (federally recognized)
  o Special district governments
  o Public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities

• Why Apply?
  Receive funding to purchase a wide range of reentry services tailored to individuals leaving incarceration, particularly those with mental health, substance use, or co-occurring disorders who are currently involved in the criminal justice system, or were formerly involved, in need of permanent supportive housing.

• Maximum per Award
  Up to $1,000,000 per award
Second Chance Community Supervision Strategies

• **Who May Apply?**
  o City or township, county, federally recognized Native American tribal, special district, or state governments
  o Native American tribal organizations other than federally recognized tribal governments
  o State, city, township, county, or tribal governments acting directly or through agreements with other public or private entities on behalf of a single drug or treatment court

• **Why Apply?**
Receive funding to develop and test new or enhanced applications of the swift, certain, and fair principles of intervention to reduce recidivism and improve outcomes for people on community supervision.

• **Maximum per Award**
Up to $800,000 per award
Smart Reentry: Housing Demonstration Project

- **Who May Apply?**
  - Native American tribal governments (federally recognized)
  - Nonprofits

- **Why Apply?**
  Receive funding to assess their jurisdiction’s reentry systems, identify strengths and gaps, and then build capacity for improving housing options for adults released from prison or jail.

- **Maximum per Award**
  Up to $1,000,000 per award
Smart Supervision Program

- **Who May Apply?**
  - State, local, and tribal entities with responsibility for adults on probation and/or parole

- **Why Apply?**
  Receive funding and access to experts to support agencies that wish to build their capacity to help adults successfully complete supervision and, in the process, desist from crime and lead productive, pro-social lives.

- **Maximum per Award**
  Up to $850,000 per award, including no-cost 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.

https://bjatta.bja.ojp.gov/
GRANT APPLICATION
AND ADMINISTRATION
RESOURCES
Solicitation Overview

FY24 Adult Treatment Court Program

Opportunity ID: O-BJA-2024-171972
Solicitation Status: Open
Fiscal Year: 2024
Closing Date: May 9, 2024
Posting Date: February 7, 2024
Solicitation Type: Competitive
Grants.gov Deadline: May 2, 2024, 8:59 pm Eastern
Application JustGrants Deadline: May 9, 2024, 8:59 pm Eastern

Description
The purpose of the Adult Treatment Court Program is to reduce the misuse of opioids, stimulants, and other substances by people involved in the criminal justice system.

With this solicitation, the Bureau of Justice Assistance seeks to provide financial and technical assistance to states, local courts, local courts, units of local government, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments to plan, implement, and enhance the

Available Funding
Past Funding
Funding Awards
Peer Review
Successful Applications
NEPA Guidance
Performance Measures
Real Property Reporting

Similar Opportunities
FY24 Strengthening the Medical Examiner-Coroner System Program
FY24 Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program

Why Apply?
Receive funding to plan, implement, and enhance adult treatment courts for individuals involved with the justice system who have substance use disorders, including stimulant, opioid, and other substances.

Maximum per Award:
- Up to $900,000 per award for Planning and Implementation, including nondirect training and technical assistance (TIA)
- Up to $1,000,000 per award for Implementation, including non-cost TTA
- Up to $1,500,000 per award for Technical Assistance, including non-cost TTA

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

Examples of strategies/activities that can be funded:
- Clinical and medication-assisted treatment
- Transportation services
- Case management
- Testing on overdose prevention
- Transitional recovery housing assistance

Where to get more information about this opportunity:
Resource Webinars

Funding Opportunities for Your Community in 2024 Series

- Behavioral Health – February 14
- Community-based Organizations – February 15
- Prosecution, Defense, and Courts – February 20
- Corrections, Community Corrections, and Reentry – February 21
- Tribes and Tribal Organizations – February 22
- The Federal Funding Process: First Steps to Applying, How to Prepare Now, and Other Considerations – February 26
- Law Enforcement – February 29

Funding Webinars | Bureau of Justice Assistance (ojp.gov)
https://bja.ojp.gov/events/funding-webinars
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 prior to process validation. 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 the 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
Application Resources

Successful Applications | Bureau of Justice Assistance (ojp.gov)
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 Update e-newsletter.

Users can also log into JustGrants through this 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

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](https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/support.html)
    - support@grants.gov

• Provides information on available federal funding opportunities for various federal agencies.

JustGrants

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

• **Email**
  - [https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/user-support](https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/user-support)
  - JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov
Need help managing your OJP award?  
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- JustGrants Login
- JustGrants Informational Website
- JustGrants Training

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
- SFATA 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

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