FUNDING OPPORTUNITY: FISCAL YEAR 2024 RESIDENTIAL SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT PROGRAM (RSAT)

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WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION
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).
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.

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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.
Poll Question
What is your level of familiarity with the RSAT program?

- My state has an active RSAT award, and I am familiar with the grant program.
- My state has an active RSAT award, but I am not familiar with the grant program.
- My state does not have an active RSAT award, but I am familiar with the grant program.
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SECTION 2

RSAT PROGRAM
OVERVIEW
BJA Grant Management Supports
FY24 RSAT Program Overview

The RSAT Program assists states in their efforts to increase access to treatment to individuals with substance use or co-occurring substance use and mental health disorders during detention or incarceration and to improve continuity of care during and after reentry by delivering community-based treatment and other broad-based aftercare services.

Proposed FY24 allocations

• State Awards Made: 56
• Award Amounts: between $124,019 and $2,554,917
• Award Duration: 48 months
FY24 RSAT Program Goals

Enhance the capabilities of state, local, and tribal governments to initiate or continue evidence-based substance use disorder (SUD) or co-occurring substance use and mental health disorder treatment programs in the nation's prisons and jails.

Increase the number of prisons and jails offering FDA-approved medications to incarcerated individuals with opioid use disorders (OUD).

Prepare individuals for reintegration into communities, including supporting continuity of care for OUD treatment and recovery supports prior to release.

Assist individuals through the reentry process by delivering community-based treatment, recovery, and other broad-based aftercare services to support successful reentry and continuity of care.
FY24 RSAT Program Objectives

RSAT Program funds may be used to implement four different types of programs/activities:

- Jail-based residential SUD treatment.
- Aftercare.
- Jail-based pretrial SUD treatment.
RSAT Program Requirements

Residential SUD treatment program in prisons

• Engage individuals with SUD or co-occurring substance use and mental health disorders for a period of 6–12 months.
• Require periodic and random drug testing of individuals while they are in the program and under community supervision.
• Establish a therapeutic community (i.e., program participants are set apart from the general population).
• Provide aftercare services.
RSAT Program Requirements (cont.)

Residential SUD treatment programs in jails:

• Engage individuals with SUD or co-occurring substance use and serious mental health disorders for at least 3 months.

• Require periodic and random drug testing of individuals while they are in the program and under community supervision.

• Make every effort to establish a therapeutic community.

• Provide aftercare services.
RSAT Program Requirements (cont.)

Aftercare Services

• Case management and the full continuum of recovery and aftercare services to support people released from a residential SUD treatment program, which may include human service and rehabilitation programs such as education and job training, parole supervision, recovery or transitional housing, peer support programs, and other recovery support services.
RSAT Program Requirements (cont.)

Jail-based SUD treatment programs

• Initiate or continue evidence-based SUD treatment programs (e.g., medication-assisted treatment) for individuals who were on such treatment upon arrival at the jail.
  – Emphasis is on pretrial populations
  – No requirements related to therapeutic community or minimum length of programming.
FAQs

RESIDENTIAL SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT FOR STATE PRISONERS PROGRAM

What is the Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT) for State Prisoners Program?
The RSAT for State Prisoners Program’s objectives are to enhance the capabilities of state, local, and Indian tribal governments to provide residential substance use disorder (SUD) treatment to people during detention or incarceration; prepare them for their reintegration into a community by incorporating reentry planning activities into their treatment programs; and assist them and their communities throughout the reentry process by delivering community-based treatment and other broad-based aftercare services.

What is the authorizing legislation for the RSAT State Prisoners Program?
The RSAT Program was created by the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 (Public Law 103-322) and codified at 34 U.S.C. §10421 et. seq.

What entity is eligible to receive funding?
Only states, as defined by this program, are eligible to apply and must designate a single State Administering Agency (SAA) that has authority to apply on their behalf. States often rely on a single entity within the state (e.g., SAA, Department of Corrections, Department of Public Safety, Governor’s Office) to oversee the RSAT for State Prisoners Program and its subgrantees.

For purposes of this program, “state” means any state of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Eligible entities must provide a 25 percent cash or in-kind match to the grant award.

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Who is eligible to receive funding?

• State Administering Agency (SAA) on behalf of the state
• Common examples:
  o Department of Corrections
  o Department of Public Safety
  o Governor’s Office

For the purposes of this program, “state” means any state of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.
What does “therapeutic community” mean?

Use of residential treatment facilities that are set apart from the general correctional population in either a separate facility or a dedicated housing unit that is used exclusively for RSAT and/or other SUD treatment programs.

Jails that do not have the capacity to establish a therapeutic community are encouraged to group RSAT Program participants within the general correctional setting.
Is drug testing required for all individuals participating in prison, jail, and aftercare programs?

Drug testing is required for individuals participating in any RSAT Program supported by RSAT for State Prisoners Program funds, as well as while participating in aftercare programs until they are no longer under the custody of the state.
Do RSAT for State Prisoners Program funds have to be used to support residential or jail-based SUD treatment programming?

Yes, at least 10 percent of the total amount made available to a state for any fiscal year must be used to make subgrants to local correctional and detention facilities in the state (provided such facilities exist therein) for the purpose of assisting jail-based SUD treatment programs that are effective and science-based.
Can RSAT for State Prisoners Program funds be used to provide SUD treatment services to pretrial populations?

Yes, RSAT for State Prisoners Program funds may be used to continue or initiate evidence-based SUD treatment to individuals detained by the jail pretrial as well as to support connecting these individuals to community-based treatment services.
SECTION 3
APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS
Poll Question
Does your proposed project budget include these costs?

- Subaward(s)
- Procurement contract(s)
- Both subaward(s) and procurement contract(s)
- Neither
- Not sure
Application Requirements

- Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424) and SF-LLL
- Proposal Abstract
- Proposal Narrative
- Budget Worksheet and Budget Narrative (Excel Form)

See the grant solicitation for more details.
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<td>Can the RSAT for Prisoners Program funds be used to cover administrative costs associated with grants management?</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<td>Can RSAT for State Prisoners Program funds be used for costs associated with travel?</td>
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<td>Can RSAT for State Prisoners Program funds be used to purchase items provided to individuals at reentry (e.g., reentry backpacks)?</td>
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<td>Is the use of consultants or contractors to provide training allowable?</td>
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Match Required

• 25% cash or in-kind match
  o “In-kind” match may be in the form of services, supplies, real property, and equipment.

• If an award recipient’s proposed match exceeds the required match amount, according to the formula below, and OJP approves the budget, the total match amount in the approved budget becomes part of the project budget and subject to audit.

• “Match” funds may be used only for purposes that would be allowable for the federal funds.

NOTE: BJA will waive the requirement for matching funds (including in-kind) for all awards made to American Samoa, Guam, U.S. Virgin Islands, and Northern Mariana Islands.
Local Jail Requirement

- Must allocate at least 10 percent of the total state allocation to local correctional facilities, provided such facilities exist.
- Funds must be used for either of the following:
  - Residential SUD treatment programs in jails.
  - Initiate or continue evidence-based SUD treatment programs in pretrial populations.
Additional Application Requirements

Complete the budget worksheet attachment and submit it by uploading it as an attachment in JustGrants

- Applicants must use the most recent amount awarded to your state as the requested amount
- Post award you will update that budget to reflect the allocated amount based on the formula
- Both the Budget detail worksheet and the Archived allocations can be found on our website.
Allowable Costs

Salary and Benefits
Medication Supplies
Curricula Screening and Assessment Tools
Pretrial Programming and Aftercare Services
Equipment Materials
Training Travel
Subawards
Jails

Travel
SECTION 4

APPLICATION RESOURCES
Poll Question
How Familiar are you with the BJA website?

- Very Familiar
- Somewhat Familiar
- Not Familiar
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, as well as inter-agency 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 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.
  - **Web and 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. to 5:00 p.m. ET

• **Web and Email**
  - [https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/user-support](https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/user-support)
  - JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov
Application Deadlines

Applications must 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.

- **Step 2**: Submit the full application, with attachments, at JusticeGrants.usdoj.gov.

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

Read the solicitation carefully for further guidance.
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• For information on funding opportunities, publications, and initiatives, visit BJA’s website: www.bja.ojp.gov.
Quick Reference: Important Contacts

For technical assistance submitting the **SF-424** and **SF-LLL** into [Grants.gov](https://grants.gov), **call**: 800–518–4726 or 606–545–5035, 24 hours a day, or **email**: support@grants.gov.

For technical assistance submitting the **full application** into [JustGrants](https://justgrants.usdoj.gov), **call**: 833–872–5175, 7–9 ET, M–F, and 9–5 ET, weekends and holidays, or **email**: JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov.

For technical assistance with the programmatic requirements, **call the OJP Response Center**: 800–851–3420, 10–6 ET, M–F, or **email**: grants@ncjrs.gov.
Questions?

Enter in the Q&A box and send to All Panelists.