

BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE
SECOND CHANCE ACT INNOVATIONS IN SUPERVISION INITIATIVE
PERFORMANCE MEASURES QUESTIONNAIRE

GENERAL AWARD ADMINISTRATION

1. Is this the last reporting period for which the award will have data to report? *For example, all funds have been expended and the award is in the process of closing out in the Justice Grants (JustGrants) system.*
- A. Yes/No *(If Yes, answer the Semiannual Narrative Questions and create a final report)*

GRANT ACTIVITY

2. Was there grant activity during the reporting period? *There is grant activity when the grantee has obligated, expended, or drawn down grant funds to implement objectives proposed in the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)-approved grant application. If Yes, the program becomes operational and should remain so until the grant closes out.*
- A. Yes/No *(If No, select reasons for no grant activity during reporting period)*

Reason(s) for no grant activity during the reporting period	Select all that apply
In procurement	<input type="checkbox"/>
Project or budget not approved by agency, county, city, or state governing agency	<input type="checkbox"/>
Seeking subcontractors (request for proposal stage only)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Waiting to hire project manager, additional staff, or coordinating staff	<input type="checkbox"/>
Paying for the program using prior federal funds	<input type="checkbox"/>
Administrative hold (e.g., court case pending)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Still seeking budget approval	<input type="checkbox"/>
Waiting for partners or collaborators to complete the application	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
If Other, explain:	

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

3. What is the target population that your program serves? *Select all that apply.*
 - A. Males
 - B. Females
 - C. Youth (under 18 years)
 - D. Young adults (18–25 years)
 - E. Adults (over 25 years)
 - F. High risk (based on criminogenic risks/needs)
 - G. Medium risk (based on criminogenic risks/needs)
 - H. Low risk (based on criminogenic risks/needs)
 - I. There are no specific characteristics for target population
 - J. Other
 - K. If Other, describe: _____

4. In which setting(s) does your program provide participants with services (case management, delivery of services, or facilitation of connection to services)? *Choose the option that applies best.*
 - A. Pre-release (before release from a correctional facility, other detention, halfway house, etc.)
 - B. Post-release
 - C. Both

5. Indicate if your Second Chance Act (SCA)-funded program serves individuals from any of the following criminal justice settings. *Select all that apply.*
 - A. Treatment court program
 - B. Tribal court
 - C. Jail-based program focused on programming while individuals are in custody
 - D. Jail-based reentry program focused on preparing individuals to leave jail custody
 - E. Prison program focused on programming while individuals are in custody
 - F. Prison reentry program focused on preparing individuals to leave prison
 - G. Community supervision
 - H. Other, explain: _____
 - I. N/A – The SCA-funded program does not target individuals from a specific criminal justice setting

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6. What program areas are you focusing on with your SCA Innovations in Supervision funding? *Select all that apply.*
- A. Providing treatments/services/interventions
 - B. Obtaining licenses and training for evidence-based treatments/services/interventions
 - C. Assessing and addressing gaps and/or quality of service provision
 - D. Improving screening and assessment tools and processes
 - E. Developing or sustaining partnerships/contracts
 - F. Developing technology to improve compliance
 - G. Case management
 - H. Community outreach
 - I. Other
 - J. If Other, describe: _____

BASELINE RECIDIVISM

7. Have you calculated a baseline recidivism rate?
- A. Yes
 - B. No, explain: _____ *(If No, skip to next section)*
8. What is the baseline recidivism rate? *Provide a rate for a population that most closely represents the grantee's target population. If the grantee does not have a baseline recidivism rate similar to the target population, use a recidivism rate for individuals who have been released from a state facility, local prison, or jail.*
- _____
9. What population was the baseline recidivism rate calculated for? *Select one.*
- A. Individuals similar to the target population
 - B. Individuals from a county/local jail facility
 - C. Individuals from a prison facility
 - D. Individuals from the entire state
 - E. Other _____
 - F. If Other, explain: _____
10. What type of baseline recidivism rate is being provided? *Select one.*
- A. Rearrest rate
 - B. Reconviction rate
 - C. Reincarceration rate
 - D. Revocation that led to reincarceration
 - E. Other
 - F. If Other, explain: _____

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11. How long was the follow-up period for the baseline rate (in months)? _____
12. What percentage reduction in recidivism is the grantee trying to achieve? _____
13. Is there any other additional information you would like to provide about the baseline rate or your recidivism reduction goal? *If No, write N/A.* _____

SCREENING AND ASSESSMENT TOOL

Answer the following questions related to your SCA-funded program's use of screening and assessment tools (e.g., tools assessing criminogenic risk, substance use, and mental health).

14. Are criminogenic risks and/or needs assessment tools used to inform the services provided to participants?
- A. Yes/No (*If No, skip to next section*)
15. Are tool results used in determining who is admitted as a participant into the SCA-funded program?
- A. Yes/No
16. Are tool results used to inform individualized case planning done by the SCA-funded program?
- A. Yes/No
17. Name(s) of the tool(s) used: _____

TRAINING

18. Did the program provide or facilitate training to program staff (or individuals involved in the program) during the reporting period? *Training on a particular topic and/or a skill related to a specific operation for either individuals who can use the information or skill on their job or trainers who will provide instruction to others. (Examples include providing training in a classroom/onsite or virtual setting; hosting and/or conducting a webinar; or conducting a workshop at a conference or summit.)*
- A. Yes/No (*If No, skip to next section*)
19. How many trainings were completed during the reporting period? _____

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20. For each of the trainings completed during the reporting period, provide the following information. Count each person only once per training topic, regardless of how many times they attended the training. You may report five trainings per reporting period.

- A. Training name _____
- B. Target audience _____
- C. Number of people trained _____
- D. Training provider _____
- E. What funds were used to provide the training? (Select all that apply)
 - ____ SCA grant funds
 - ____ National Training and Technical Assistance Center funds
 - ____ Other Office of Justice Programs funds
 - ____ Other funds

RESEARCH PARTNERSHIPS

21. Is your grant project working with an internal or external researcher or evaluator? An internal researcher/evaluator is someone who is considered a full-time employee of the agency responsible for the operation of the program. This could include a crime analyst, internal statistics department employee, or someone from a research arm of the organization. An external researcher/evaluator is considered someone who is not organizationally affiliated with the agency responsible for the operation of the program. This typically includes research professors at universities or personnel hired from for-profit research or evaluation agencies.

- A. Yes, internal
- B. Yes, external
- C. No (If No, skip to next section)

22. In what ways did your researcher contribute to the project during the reporting period? Select all that apply.

- A. Conducted data analysis (data collection, analysis, visualization, etc.)
- B. Defined the problem of focus the project will address
- C. Defined programmatic activities, procedures, or practices
- D. Developed logic models
- E. Developed an evaluation or data collection plan
- F. Conducted a process evaluation of the project
- G. Conducted an outcome evaluation of the project
- H. Evaluated the project's impact
- I. Evaluated the project's efficiency (cost/benefit)
- J. Evaluated the project's fidelity
- K. Assisted with performance measure reporting
- L. Shared analytical findings, recommendations, and promising practices with peer agencies or other researchers
- M. Shared analysis results and/or recommendations with project personnel
- N. Shared project successes with community members or the media
- O. Other, describe: _____

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23. During the reporting period, were adjustments made to the project's operating procedures based on research/evaluation findings?
- A. Yes/No (*If No, skip to next section*)
 - B. If Yes, describe: _____

SYSTEM CHANGE AND ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITY

24. Have you used SCA funding toward new system-level changes or improvements to organizational capacity during the reporting period?
- A. Yes/No (*If No, skip to next section*)
25. Indicate which of the following new areas received systemic improvements or changes (policies, procedures, trainings) as a result of this SCA award during the reporting period. *Select all that apply.*
- A. Treatment services
 - B. Recovery support services
 - C. Implementation of evidence-based practices
 - D. Screening for behavioral health processes
 - E. Criminogenic risks/needs assessment tools and/or processes
 - F. Collaboration (partnerships, contracts, etc.)
 - G. Data collection and utilization
 - H. Information sharing
 - I. Case management
 - J. Trainings
 - K. Other
26. For each selection made in the previous question, provide a brief explanation of the improvements made. _____

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COURT AND CRIMINAL INVOLVEMENT (CLOSEOUT ONLY)

The next set of questions is about court and criminal involvement for all individuals who have ever participated in the SCA program. This section is to be completed at the close of the grant.

Note that individuals can be included in more than one category. For example, an individual can have an arrest and a conviction and then be reincarcerated, and therefore should be included in each category. However, do not count the frequency of events (e.g., numbers of arrests or convictions). If an individual has multiple arrests or convictions, count that individual only once. Pending charges that the individual had before entering the program should not be counted.

27. Since the start of the award, how many individuals:
- A. Are still participating in post-release services? _____
 - B. Have successfully completed post-release services? _____
 - C. Did not complete post-release services? _____
28. What is the average number of days that have elapsed since individuals have been released from prison or jail? *Calculate this rate by averaging the days since release for each individual.*
- _____
29. Since the start of the award, enter the total number of individuals who are still participating in the program and have had a court and/or criminal involvement event.
- A. Arrest and booking on a new charge _____
 - B. Conviction on a new charge _____
 - C. Revocation of the terms of supervised release _____
 - D. Reincarceration _____
30. Since the start of the award, enter the total number of individuals who successfully completed the program and have had a court and/or criminal involvement event.
- A. Arrest and booking on a new charge _____
 - B. Conviction on a new charge _____
 - C. Revocation of the terms of supervised release _____
 - D. Reincarceration _____
31. Since the start of the award, enter the total number of individuals who unsuccessfully exited the program and have had a court and/or criminal involvement event.
- A. Arrest and booking on a new charge _____
 - B. Conviction on a new charge _____
 - C. Revocation of the terms of supervised release _____
 - D. Reincarceration _____

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32. How was the information obtained for those individuals who were arrested and booked on a new charge? *Select the best option that describes how the information was obtained.*
- A. The grantee is a criminal justice agency such as the department of corrections, probation, or parole and has access to information
 - B. The grantee has a memorandum of understanding (MOU), a memorandum of agreement (MOA), or a linkage agreement with a correctional agency that has access to information
 - C. The grantee conducts public record jail/prison searches online
 - D. The grantee entered unofficial data (through word of mouth or from participants who reported the incident)
 - E. The grantee does not have access to official justice information
 - F. Other, specify: _____
33. How was the information obtained for those individuals who were convicted on a new charge? *Select the best option that describes how the information was obtained.*
- A. The grantee is a criminal justice agency such as the department of corrections, probation, or parole and has access to information
 - B. The grantee has an MOU, an MOA, or a linkage agreement with a correctional agency that has access to information
 - C. The grantee conducts public record jail/prison searches online
 - D. The grantee entered unofficial data (through word of mouth or from participants who reported the incident)
 - E. The grantee does not have access to official justice information
 - F. Other, specify: _____
34. How was the information obtained for individuals who had a revocation of the terms of supervised release? *Select the best option that describes how the information was obtained.*
- A. The grantee is a criminal justice agency such as the department of corrections, probation, or parole and has access to information
 - B. The grantee has an MOU, an MOA, or a linkage agreement with a correctional agency that has access to information
 - C. The grantee conducts public record jail/prison searches online
 - D. The grantee entered unofficial data (through word of mouth or from participants who reported the incident)
 - E. The grantee does not have access to official justice information
 - F. Other, specify: _____

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35. How was the information obtained for those individuals who were reincarcerated? *Select the best option that describes how the information was obtained.*
- A. The grantee is a criminal justice agency such as the department of corrections, probation, or parole and has access to information
 - B. The grantee has an MOU, an MOA, or a linkage agreement with a correctional agency that has access to information
 - C. The grantee conducts public record jail/prison searches online
 - D. The grantee entered unofficial data (through word of mouth or from participants who reported the incident)
 - E. The grantee does not have access to official justice information
 - F. Other, specify: _____
36. For which population(s) is the grantee able to obtain official justice information? *Select all that apply.*
- A. Individuals who are still participating in the program
 - B. Individuals who successfully completed the program
 - C. Individuals who unsuccessfully exited the program
37. Was the information for each individual verified? *Verified is defined as assessing whether each individual has had a court and/or criminal involvement event since the start of the BJA SCA award.*
- A. Yes
 - B. No *(If No, skip to question 39)*
38. How was the information for individuals verified? *Verified is defined as assessing whether each individual has had a court and/or criminal involvement event since the start of the BJA Second Chance Act award.*
- _____
39. Provide any additional information or comments about your court or criminal involvement data. _____

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SEMIANNUAL NARRATIVE QUESTIONS

In this module, you will identify the goals you hope to achieve with your funding. Once submitted, these goals cannot be changed without approval of your grant manager.

Set **S M A R T** goals to clarify the scope of your priorities:

- Specific
- Measurable
- Achievable
- Relevant
- Time-bound

If you have multiple goals, provide updates on each on separately.

Answer the following questions every semiannual reporting period (January and July of each year), based on your grant-funded activities.

1. What were your accomplishments during reporting period?

2. What goals were accomplished, as they relate to your grant application?

3. What problems/barriers did you encounter, if any, within the reporting period that prevented you from reaching your goals or milestones?

4. Is there any assistance that BJA can provide to address any problems/barriers identified in question 3?
 - A. Yes/No
 - B. If Yes, explain: _____
5. Are you on track to complete your program fiscally and programmatically as outlined in your grant application?
 - A. Yes/No
 - B. If No, explain: _____
6. What major activities are planned for the next 6 months?

7. Based on your knowledge of the criminal justice field, are there any innovative programs/accomplishments that you would like to share with BJA?

THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING!

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