



The [U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs'](#) (OJP) [Bureau of Justice Assistance](#) (BJA) is pleased to announce that it is seeking applications for funding under the Smart Policing: Evidence-Based Law Enforcement Initiative. This program furthers the Department's mission by assisting state and local jurisdictions in improving the criminal justice system

Smart Policing: Evidence-Based Law Enforcement Initiative FY 2009 Competitive Grant Announcement

Eligibility

Under Category I, applicants are limited to state, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies. Under Category II, applicants are limited to national, regional, state, or local public and private entities, including for-profit (commercial) and nonprofit organizations, faith-based and community organizations, institutions of higher education, tribal jurisdictions, and units of local government.

(See "Eligibility," page 1)

Note: Applications that do not respond to the identified categories will not be peer reviewed or considered for funding under this solicitation. Applications for Category II must also be national in scope.

Deadline

Registration with [Grants Management System](#) is required prior to application submission.

All applications are due by 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time on June 30, 2009.

(See "Deadline: Applications," page 1)

Contact Information

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This application must be submitted through OJP's [Grants Management System \(GMS\)](#). For technical assistance with submitting the application, call the GMS Support Hotline at 1-888-549-9901, option 3. The GMS Support Hotline hours of operation are Monday-Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. e.t. For step-by-step GMS guidance, please utilize OJP's online Grants Management System training tool: www.ojp.usdoj.gov/gmscbt.

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Smart Policing: Evidence-Based Law Enforcement Initiative CFDA #s 16.751 and 16.738

Overview of the Smart Policing: Evidence-Based Law Enforcement

This FY 2009 grant announcement seeks to build upon data-driven, evidence-based policing by encouraging state and local law enforcement agencies to develop effective, economical, and innovative responses to specific crime problems within their jurisdictions. This program is funded under both the Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant Program (Byrne Competitive Program) and the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program. Authorized by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2009, (Pub. L. 111-8), the Byrne Competitive Program helps local communities improve the capacity of state and local justice systems and provides for national support efforts including training and technical assistance programs strategically targeted to address local needs. The JAG Program (42 U.S.C. 3751(a)) is the primary provider of federal criminal justice funding to state and local jurisdictions, and JAG funds support all components of the criminal justice system. The JAG Program authorization also states that “the Attorney General may reserve not more than 5 percent, to be granted to 1 or more States or units of local government, for 1 or more of the purposes specified in section 3751 of this title, pursuant to his determination that the same is necessary—(1) to combat, address, or otherwise respond to precipitous or extraordinary increases in crime, or in a type or types of crime” (42 U.S.C. 3756).

Deadline: Registration

Applications must be submitted through OJP’s online [Grants Management System \(GMS\)](#). Applicants should begin the process immediately to meet the GMS registration deadline, especially if this is the first time they have used the system. Each application requires a separate GMS registration. The registration process for organizations includes: (1) obtaining a Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number; (2) registering your organization with the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database; and (3) registering with GMS prior to applying. See How To Apply (page 7) for further information on DUNS numbers and the CCR.

The deadline to register is **8:00 p.m. Eastern Time on June 30, 2009**.

Deadline: Applications

The due date for applying for funding under this announcement is **8:00 p.m. Eastern Time on June 30, 2009**.

Eligibility

Under Category I, applicants are limited to state, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies. Under Category II, applicants are limited to for-profit (commercial) organizations, nonprofit organizations, faith-based and community organizations, and institutions of higher learning with demonstrated expertise in identifying or maintaining knowledge of evidence-based practices in law enforcement and in assisting states and units of local government to implement evidence-based practices in policing. For-profit organizations must agree to waive any profit or fees for services. Applicants may partner with other organizations to submit joint applications for the required services and deliverables.

Faith-Based and Other Community Organizations: Consistent with Executive Order 13279, dated December 12, 2002, and 28 C.F.R. Part 38, faith-based and other community organizations that statutorily qualify as eligible applicants under DOJ programs are invited and encouraged to apply for assistance awards to fund eligible grant activities. Faith-based and other community organizations will be considered for awards on the same basis as other eligible applicants and, if they receive assistance awards, will be treated on an equal basis with all other grantees in the administration of such awards. No eligible applicant or grantee will be discriminated for or against on the basis of its religious character or affiliation, religious name, or the religious composition of its board of directors or persons working in the organization.

Faith-based organizations receiving DOJ assistance awards retain their independence and do not lose or have to modify their religious identity (e.g., remove religious symbols) to receive assistance awards. DOJ grant funds, however, may not be used to fund any inherently religious activity, such as prayer or worship. Inherently religious activity is permissible, although it cannot occur during an activity funded with DOJ grant funds; rather, such religious activity must be separate in time or place from the DOJ-funded program. Further, participation in such activity by individuals receiving services must be voluntary. Programs funded by DOJ are not permitted to discriminate in the provision of services on the basis of a beneficiary's religion.

If your organization is a faith-based organization that makes hiring decisions on the basis of religious belief, it may be entitled, under the Religious Freedom Restoration Act, 42 U.S.C. § 2000bb, to receive federal funds and yet maintain that hiring practice, even if the law creating the funding program contains a general ban on religious discrimination in employment. For the circumstances under which this may occur, and the certifications that may be required, please see the section titled, "Funding to Faith-Based Organizations" on the "Other Requirements for OJP Applications" web page at www.ojp.usdoj.gov/funding/other_requirements.htm.

Applicants are also encouraged to review the "Civil Rights Compliance" section on the "Other Requirements for OJP Applications" web page, which can be found at the web address shown above.

American Indian Tribes and Alaska Native Tribes and/or Tribal Organizations: All tribal applications must be accompanied by a current authorizing resolution of the governing body of the tribal entity or other enactment of the tribal council or comparable government body. If the grant will benefit more than one tribal entity, a current authorizing resolution or other enactment of the tribal council or comparable government body from each tribal entity must be included. If the grant application is being submitted on behalf of a tribal entity, a letter or similar document authorizing the inclusion of the tribal entity named in the application must be included.

Smart Policing: Evidence-Based Law Enforcement Initiative - Specific Information

All awards are subject to the availability of appropriated funds and any modifications or additional requirements that may be imposed by law.

Over the past three years, law enforcement agencies reported spikes in violent crime in many parts of the country. More recently, agencies began reporting property crime increases and often cite the current economic circumstances as contributing to their rising crime rates. Most agree that the United States is in a period of decreased state and local revenue and in these circumstances, a weakened economy, exacerbated by substantial unemployment, can become criminogenic and result in increased crime and calls for service. Developing prevention

strategies and tactics that are effective, efficient, and economical would be of great benefit to law enforcement agencies in an era of budget constraints and limited staffing.

This initiative seeks to build upon concepts of “offender-based” and “place-based” policing. Several authoritative longitudinal projects, in America and the United Kingdom, have convincingly demonstrated that a small number of offenders commit a disproportionate amount of crime. It is also well-documented that crime reports and calls for service often cluster predominately at specific locations or narrow, easily-defined areas and while demonstrating that random patrol and rapid response does not measurably reduce crime, the most convincing research demonstrates that “place-based” or “hotspot” policing reduces violent crime and neighborhood disorder. These persuasive findings reveal that effective policing requires a tightly focused, collaborative approach that is measurable, based on sound, detailed analysis and includes policies and procedures for accountability. The Smart Policing Initiative seeks to either build upon these findings or to broaden the knowledge of effective policing strategies.

This solicitation seeks to identify up to 12 state, local, or tribal law enforcement agencies that are committed to applying evidence-based policing to contemporary crime problems and criminogenic circumstances. This solicitation also seeks to identify a national training and technical assistance provider who will assist these agencies in incorporating evidence-based policing as fundamental element of their response to crime and disorder.

Award Categories

Applications are solicited in two categories.

Note: Applications that do not respond to the identified categories will not be peer reviewed or considered for funding under this solicitation. Applications for Category II must also be national in scope.

CATEGORY I: “SMART POLICING” DEMONSTRATION INITIATIVE

BJA expects to make up to 12 awards to law enforcement agencies: for law enforcement agencies serving populations* of less than 500,000 the maximum award amount is \$300,000; for law enforcement agencies serving populations* greater than 500,000, the maximum award amount is \$500,000. The project period is 24 months. The project start date should be on or after October 1, 2009.

Applications are solicited from law enforcement agencies interested in employing a data-driven, evidence-based approach to a crime problem or criminogenic circumstance in their jurisdiction. Successful applicants will:

- Enlist a research partner from the accredited criminal justice/social science educational community.
- Conduct a careful, rigorous process to identify a specific category of crime or criminogenic circumstance. Examples include but are not limited to: 1) neighborhood blight created by foreclosures and abandoned properties; 2) gun violence in a specific neighborhood; 3) area-based drug market; 4) commodity theft; and 5) repeat violent offenders.
- Develop a prevention/mitigation strategy to address the problem.
- Develop performance measures for the initiative.
- Assess and report the results.

* As reported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation’s (FBI) [Uniform Crime Reports](#) (UCR), or for tribal law enforcement agencies, as reported to the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA).

Applicants may identify a specific evidence-based policing strategy or provide a description of a rigorous process they intend to employ to identify problems and formulate interventions using models associated with problem-oriented policing. In both cases, the program design must include evaluation measures capable of producing credible assessments of the worth and effectiveness of the intervention(s). Applications absent such measures will not be awarded.

Resources to identify evidence-based law enforcement strategies can be found in the [Frequently Asked Questions](#) (FAQs) for this solicitation.

CATEGORY II: EVIDENCE-BASED POLICING TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

BJA expects to make one award under this category. A total of \$700,000 is available. The project period is 36 months. The project start date should be on or after October 1, 2009.

Applications are solicited to provide national training and technical assistance on evidence-based strategies in law enforcement to successful Category I agencies and other agencies upon BJA request. The successful applicant will:

- Develop and deliver content for evidence-based law enforcement training and employ a variety of training delivery mechanisms, such as online trainings and other electronic or distance learning formats, including podcasts, webinars, etc.
- Provide technical assistance in translating relevant research to practice.
- Recruit, maintain, and use a cadre of subject matter-experts; schedule and organize training venues; market trainings and recruit participants; and administer and oversee implementation of the trainings.
- Collaborate with the research partners designated by Category I law enforcement agencies.
- Assist BJA in conducting three 2-day meetings (inaugural, interim, and assessment) of Category I agencies during the 24-month project period.

Interested entities may partner and submit a joint application in order to garner the necessary expertise to provide support under this category. Successful applicants for this category must demonstrate the ability to provide the support, but also to identify, understand, and translate the research findings and evidence-based practices.

Limitation on Use of Award Funds for Employee Compensation; Waiver: No portion of any award of more than \$250,000 made under this solicitation may be used to pay any portion of the total cash compensation (salary plus bonuses) of any employee of the award recipient whose total cash compensation exceeds 110 percent of the maximum annual salary payable to a member of the federal government's Senior Executive Service (SES) at an agency with a Certified SES Performance Appraisal System for that year. (The salary table for SES employees is available at www.opm.gov.) This prohibition may be waived at the discretion of the Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Justice Programs. An applicant that wishes to request a waiver should include a detailed justification in the budget narrative for the application. The justification should include: the particular qualification and expertise of the individual, the uniqueness of the service being provided, the individual's specific knowledge of the program or project undertaken with the grant funds and a statement explaining that the individual's salary is commensurate with the regular and customary rate for an individual with her/his qualifications and expertise, and for the work that is to be done.

Performance Measures

To assist in fulfilling the Department's responsibilities under the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA), Pub. L. 103-62, the applicant who receives funding under this solicitation must provide data that measure the results of their work. In addition, applicants must discuss their data collection methods in the application. Performance measures for this program are as follows:

Objectives	Performance Measures	Data Grantee Provides
<p>Category I: Identify and address a specific crime problem or criminogenic circumstance within a jurisdiction.</p>	<p>Percent increase in program accomplishments of goals and objectives.</p>	<p>Number of program tasks that were completed during the reporting period that are directly linked to funding. (Task: a grant activity defined in application project plan.)</p> <p>Number of total program tasks (complete or incomplete) that are directly linked to funding.</p>
<p>Category I: Enhance law enforcement knowledge of effective strategies and tactics for crime problems or criminogenic circumstances.</p>	<p>Percent reduction in reported incidents.</p> <p>Cost savings as a result of new initiative implemented.</p> <p>Number of new interventions/tactics employed.</p> <p>Percent increase in evidence or data collection.</p> <p>Percent increase in data analyses conducted.</p>	<p>Number of reported incidents of the targeted crime problem in the quarter preceding the grant.</p> <p>Number of reported incidents of the targeted crime problem for the current reporting period.</p> <p>Total amount of non-grant dollars expended by your agency to address the targeted crime prior to the grant.</p> <p>Total amount of non-grant dollars expended by your agency to address the targeted crime during the current reporting period.</p> <p>Number of new interventions/tactics employed during the current reporting period.</p> <p>Number of times evidence or data collected for the reporting period.</p> <p>Number of statistical data analyses conducted (e.g., cluster, link, time-series, etc.) to inform decision-making, devise tactics/interventions, and measure results.</p>

<p>Category II: Increase the knowledge of criminal justice practitioners through in-person training.</p>	<p>Percentage of trainees who successfully completed the program.</p> <p>Percentage of trainees who completed the training who rated the training as satisfactory or better.</p> <p>Percentage of trainees who completed the training whose post-test indicated an improved score over their pre-test.</p>	<p>Number of individuals who completed the training.</p> <p>Number of individuals who attended each training.</p> <p>Number of trainees who completed the training who rated the training as satisfactory or better.</p> <p>Number of individuals who completed an evaluation at the conclusion of the training.</p> <p>Number of individuals who completed the training whose post-test indicated an improved score over their pre-test.</p> <p>Number of individuals who completed a pre and post-test.</p>
<p>Category II: Increase the knowledge of criminal justice practitioners through web-based learning.</p>	<p>Percentage of trainees who successfully completed the program.</p> <p>Percentage of trainees who completed the training who rated the training as satisfactory or better.</p>	<p>Number of individuals who started the training.</p> <p>Number of individuals who completed the training.</p> <p>Number of trainees who completed the training who rated the training as satisfactory or better.</p> <p>Number of individuals who completed an evaluation at the conclusion of the training.</p> <p>Number of individuals who completed a pre and post-test.</p>
<p>Category II: Increase the knowledge of criminal justice practitioners through distance learning using CD/DVDs.</p>	<p>Percentage of organizations that completed the survey who expressed satisfaction that the CD/DVD met their training needs.</p>	<p>Number of organizations who expressed satisfaction that the CD/DVD met their training needs.</p> <p>Number of organizations who responded to the survey.</p> <p>Number of organizations who received CD/DVDs who were surveyed.</p> <p>Number of organizations receiving CD/DVDs.</p>
<p>Category II: Increase information provided to the criminal justice community.</p>	<p>Percentage of advisory/focus groups evaluated as satisfactory or better.</p> <p>Percent increase in web sites developed and maintained.</p> <p>Percent increase in publications</p>	<p>Number of advisory/focus groups held.</p> <p>Number of advisory/focus groups evaluated as satisfactory or better.</p> <p>Number of web sites developed.</p> <p>Number of web sites maintained.</p> <p>Number of visits to web sites.</p> <p>Number of publications developed.</p>

	sites developed and disseminated.	Number of publications disseminated. Number of requests for information responded to.
Category II: Increase the knowledge of criminal justice practitioners through the development and/or revision of training curricula.	Percentage of curricula that were pilot tested. Percentage of curricula that were revised after pilot testing.	Number of training curricula developed. Number of training curricula pilot tested. Number of training curricula revised after being pilot tested.

How To Apply

Grants Management System Instructions. Applications must be submitted through OJP's online Grants Management System (GMS). To access the system, go to <https://grants.ojp.usdoj.gov>. Applicants should begin the process a few weeks prior to the GMS registration deadline, especially if this is the first time they have used the system. Each application requires a separate GMS registration. For a step-by-step guide, visit <http://www.ojp.gov/gmscbt/> and refer to the section entitled "External Overview: Locating & Applying for Funding Opportunities." For additional assistance, call the GMS Support Hotline at 1-888-549-9901 from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

Funding Opportunities with Multiple Categories: Some OJP solicitations posted on GMS contain categories, denoted by the individual solicitation title referencing the category area. If you are applying to a solicitation with multiple categories, you must select the appropriate solicitation title for the intended category of your application. The application will be peer reviewed according to the requirements of the category under which it is submitted.

Note: OJP will not review any application with attachments in Microsoft Vista or Microsoft 2007 format. Applications submitted via GMS must be in the following formats: Microsoft Word (*.doc), Word Perfect (*.wpd), Microsoft Excel (*.xls), PDF files (*.pdf), or Text documents (*.txt). GMS is not yet compatible with Vista and cannot yet process Microsoft Word 2007 documents saved in the new default format with the extension ".docx." Please ensure that any Word documents you are submitting are saved using "Word 97-2003 Document (*.doc)" format. Additionally, GMS does not accept executable file types as application attachments. These disallowed file types include, but are not limited to, the following extensions: ".com," ".bat," ".exe," ".vbs," ".cfg," ".dat," ".db," ".dbf," ".dll," ".ini," ".log," ".ora," ".sys," and ".zip."

CFDA Number: The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) numbers for this solicitation are 16.751, titled "Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant Program," and 16.738, titled "Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program."

A DUNS number is required: The Office of Management and Budget requires that all businesses and nonprofit applicants for federal funds include a DUNS (Data Universal Numeric System) number in their application for a new award or renewal of an award. Applications without a DUNS number are incomplete. A DUNS number is a unique nine-digit sequence recognized as the universal standard for identifying and keeping track of entities receiving federal funds. The identifier is used for tracking purposes and to validate address and point of contact information for federal assistance applicants, recipients, and subrecipients. The DUNS number will be used throughout the grant life cycle. Obtaining a DUNS number is a free, simple, one-time activity. Obtain one by calling 1-866-705-5711 or by applying online at <http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform/displayHomePage.do>. Individuals are exempt from this requirement.

Central Contractor Registration (CCR) is required: In addition to the DUNS number requirement, OJP requires that all applicants (other than individuals) for federal financial assistance maintain current registrations in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database. The CCR database is the repository for standard information about federal financial assistance applicants, recipients, and subrecipients. Organizations that have previously submitted applications via Grants.gov are already registered with CCR, as it is a requirement for Grants.gov registration. Please note, however, that applicants must update or renew their CCR at least once per year to maintain an active status. Information about registration procedures can be accessed at www.ccr.gov.

What an Application Must Include

Standard Form 424

Program Abstract (Attachment 1)

Applicants must provide an abstract identifying the applicant's name, title of the project, dollar amount requested, and category for which the applicant is applying (e.g., Category I: Smart Policing Demonstration Initiative). The abstract must include goals of the project, a description of the strategies to be used, a numerical listing of key/major deliverables, and coordination plans. The abstract must be double-spaced, using a standard 12-point font (Times New Roman is preferred) with 1-inch margins, and must not exceed 1 page.

Program Narrative (Attachment 2)

The program narrative must respond to the solicitation and the Selection Criteria (1–3, 5) in the order given. The program narrative must be double-spaced, using a standard 12-point font (Times New Roman is preferred) with 1-inch margins, and must not exceed 10 pages. Please number pages "1 of 10," "2 of 10," etc. Submissions that do not adhere to the format will be deemed ineligible.

Budget and Budget Narrative (Attachment 3)

Applicants must provide a budget that is allowable and reasonable (Selection Criteria 4). Applicants must submit a budget detail worksheet and budget narrative. A budget detail worksheet form is available on OJP's web site at www.ojp.usdoj.gov/funding/forms/budget_detail.pdf. When using this form, you must also include a budget narrative, in MS Word or PDF format, as a separate attachment. Both the budget detail worksheet and narrative explanation of costs can be provided in a single document using this acceptable MS Word Budget template, available at www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/funding/Budget_Worksheet_Narrative_Template.doc. Applicants may submit the budget and budget narrative in a different format (i.e., Excel spreadsheet), but it must contain all categories listed within the budget detail worksheet. Category I applicants should

also budget travel/lodging expenses for four-person teams of agency and research partner representatives to attend three 2-day meetings during the 24-month project period. One of these meetings will be held in Washington, D.C.; the second and third meetings will be held regionally.

Project Timeline, Resumes, and Letters of Support (Attachment 4)

Attach a project timeline with each task, expected completion date, and responsible person or organization; resumes for key positions; and letters of support that outline the partners' responsibilities (if applicable).

Selection Criteria

1. Statement of the Problem (5 percent of 100)

Category I applicants: Provide Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) and population-served data; describe the serious or violent crime challenges of the jurisdiction.

Category II applicants: Provide an overview of evidence-based policing and its relevance to contemporary crime problems or criminogenic circumstances.

2. Program Design and Implementation (25 percent of 100)

Describe project objectives that are linked to meaningful and measurable outcomes consistent with crime prevention and the delivery of quality police services. Describe how the project will reach the stated goals and objectives by providing the goals, objectives, and the performance measures applicable to the project. Include a comprehensive timeline that identifies milestones, numerically listed deliverables, and who is responsible for each activity (as Attachment 4). Describe how the program will encompass evidence-based practices or will be based upon research knowledge and/or data.

3. Capabilities/Competencies (25 percent of 100)

Fully describe capabilities to implement the project and the competencies of the staff assigned to the project. In addition, Category I applicants should demonstrate sound crime and criminal intelligence analysis capacity. Describe previous law enforcement activities that include research partners and report the results of those efforts. Applicants with no experience in working with research partners should include memorandums of understanding or letters documenting support and participation from their designated research partner (as Attachment 4). Category II applicants must demonstrate experience in: developing evidence-based crime policy; engaging in research on criminal justice questions; evaluating and assessing crime prevention interventions; and serving as a resource on evidence-based practices to practitioners and the law enforcement community.

4. Budget (10 percent of 100)

Provide a proposed budget and budget narrative that are complete, allowable, and cost effective (Attachment 3). Category I applicants should also budget travel/lodging expenses for four-person teams of agency and research partner representatives to attend three 2-day meetings during the 24-month project period. One of these meetings will be held in Washington, D.C.; the second and third meetings will be held regionally.

5. Impact/Outcomes and Evaluation/Description of the Applicant's Plan for the Collection of the Data Required for Performance Measures (35 percent of 100)

Describe the process for measuring project performance. Identify who will collect the data, who is responsible for performance measurement, and how the information will be used to guide and assess the program. Describe process to accurately report implementation findings.

Review Process

OJP is committed to ensuring a standardized process for awarding grants. The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) reviews the application to make sure that the information presented is reasonable, understandable, measurable, and achievable, as well as consistent with program or legislative requirements as stated in the solicitation.

Peer reviewers will be reviewing the applications submitted under this solicitation as well. BJA may use either internal peer reviewers, external peer reviewers, or a combination of both to review the applications under this solicitation. An external peer reviewer is an expert in the field of the subject matter of a given solicitation who is NOT a current U.S. Department of Justice employee. An internal reviewer is an expert in the field of the subject matter of a given solicitation who is a current U.S. Department of Justice employee. Applications will be screened initially to determine whether the applicant meets all eligibility requirements. Only applications submitted by eligible applicants that meet all other requirements (such as timeliness, proper format, and responsiveness to the scope of the solicitation) will be evaluated, scored, and rated by a peer review panel. Peer reviewers' ratings and any resulting recommendations are advisory only. In addition to peer review ratings, considerations may include, but are not limited to, underserved populations, strategic priorities, past performance, and available funding.

After the peer review is finalized, the Office of the Chief Financial Officer (OCFO), in consultation with BJA, conducts a financial review of all potential discretionary awards and cooperative agreements to evaluate the fiscal integrity and financial capability of applicants; examines proposed costs to determine if the budget and budget narrative accurately explain project costs; and determines whether costs are reasonable, necessary, and allowable under applicable federal cost principles and agency regulations. OCFO also reviews the award document and verifies the OJP Vendor Number.

Absent explicit statutory authorization or written delegation of authority to the contrary, all final grant award decisions will be made by the Assistant Attorney General, who may also give consideration to factors including, but not limited to, underserved populations, strategic priorities, past performance, and available funding when making awards.

Additional Requirements

Successful applicants selected for award must agree to comply with additional applicable requirements prior to receiving grant funding. We strongly encourage you to review the list below pertaining to these additional requirements prior to submitting your application. Additional information for each can be found at www.ojp.usdoj.gov/funding/other_requirements.htm.

- Civil Rights Compliance
- Funding to Faith-Based Organizations
- Confidentiality and Human Subjects Protection
- Anti-Lobbying Act
- Financial and Government Audit Requirements
- National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Compliance

- DOJ Information Technology Standards
- Single Point of Contact Review
- Non-Supplanting of State and Local Funds
- Criminal Penalty for False Statements
- Compliance with Office of Justice Programs [Financial Guide](#)
- Suspension or Termination of Funding
- Non-Profit Organizations
- For-Profit Organizations
- Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA)
- Rights in Intellectual Property
- Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) of 2006