

BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE

COLLABORATIVE CRISIS RESPONSE TRAINING PROGRAM

FY 2021 Competitive Grant Announcement Webinar

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Application JustGrants Deadline: August 18, 2021, 11:59 p.m. ET



Welcome



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Response Training Program

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The U.S. Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance

Mission

BJA provides leadership and services in grant administration and criminal justice policy development to support local, state, and tribal law enforcement in achieving safer communities.



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Program Overview

- The Crisis Response Training Program provides support to law enforcement and corrections on how to effectively partner with mental health and community service agencies to promote public safety and ensure appropriate responses to individuals who have behavioral health conditions, intellectual disabilities, developmental disabilities, or physical disabilities.
- Specifically, this program seeks applications to:
 - 1) Plan, develop, and deploy a best practice training program for officers that includes their community.
 - 2) Develop a strategy for deploying officers trained in crisis response during times of crisis.
 - 3) Evaluate, improve, and sustain community engagement and a best practice program.

Eligibility

- City or township governments
- County governments
- Native American tribal governments (federally recognized)
- Native American tribal organizations (other than federally recognized tribal governments)
- State governments
- Correctional entities

Program Goal

- To support crisis response training for state, local, and tribal law enforcement and correctional entities that will ensure organizational planning, strategically deploy those who have been trained, and ensure sustained best practices.

Program Objectives

- BJA is seeking applicants that will:
 - ✓ Perform a problem analysis, in collaboration with local stakeholders and agency leadership, using relevant data
 - ✓ Develop a comprehensive training plan
 - ✓ Create, design, and implement a training program

Crisis
Intervention
Team

Co-
Responder

Mobile
Crisis Team

Case
Management
Team

Disability
Response
Team

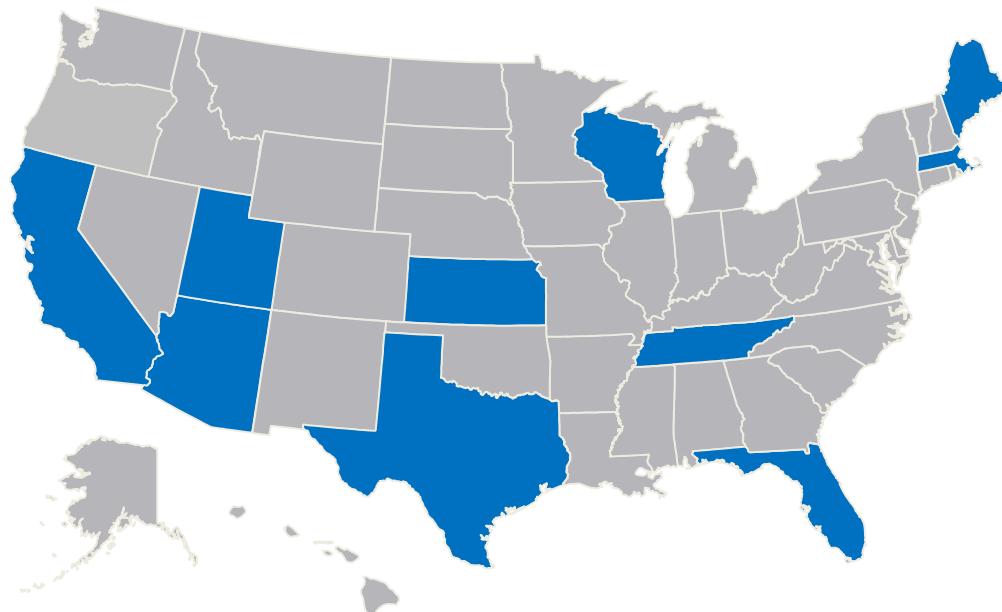
Program Objectives (cont.)

- Seek and deploy other best practice training for officers.
- Define and track process measures as well as short-term and long-term program outcome measures.
- Employ data-driven practices.
- Build long-term sustainment through a train-the-trainer component.
- Determine who are the best qualified officers to train and recruit.

Program Objectives (cont.)

- Build positive community relations and trust.
- Enhance officer knowledge of mental health, behavioral health, reentry and wraparound services, disability resources, and diversion opportunities.
- Engage BJA's National Law Enforcement Mental Health Learning Site Program as part of an ongoing training strategy.
- As needed, provide information to and actively collaborate with BJA and BJA's partners on program process and outcome evaluation efforts.

Law Enforcement–Mental Health Learning Sites



New Learning Sites (5)

- Bexar County (Texas) Sheriff's Dept.
- Harris County (Texas) Sheriff's Dept.
- Miami-Dade County (Florida) Police Dept.
- Wichita (Kansas) Police Dept.
- Yavapai County (Arizona) Sheriff's Office

Current Learning Sites (9)

- Arlington (Massachusetts) Police Dept.
- Houston (Texas) Police Dept.
- Los Angeles (California) Police Dept.
- Madison County (Tennessee) Sheriff's Office
- Madison (Wisconsin) Police Dept.
- Portland (Maine) Police Dept.
- Salt Lake City (Utah) Police Dept.
- Tucson (Arizona) Police Dept.
- University of Florida Police Dept.

Program Deliverables

Applicants must submit applications that propose both planning and implementation phases.

- The planning phase is up to 12 months long and at its conclusion, grantees will submit their plans to BJA's training and technical assistance (TTA) provider.
- Grantees can expect to begin implementation once the planning phase is complete and the implementation plan has been reviewed and accepted by BJA's TTA provider.
 - During the implementation phase, grantees will deliver crisis response training.
 - They will also evaluate, track, and sustain the training program.

Planning Phase: PMHC Self-Assessment Tool



Users can access this tool at:

<https://csgjusticecenter.org/projects/police-mental-health-collaboration-pmhc/self-assessment-tool/>

Priority Areas

- The Department of Justice is committed to advancing work that promotes civil rights, increases access to justice, supports crime victims, protects the public from crime and evolving threats, and builds trust between law enforcement and the community.
- In addition, OJP will give priority consideration to applicants that demonstrate that individuals who are intended to benefit from the requested grant reside in high-poverty areas or persistent-poverty counties.

Note that priority consideration is one of many factors that OJP considers in making funding decisions and is not a guarantee of an award.

Federal Award Information

- BJA expects to make up to 46 awards of up to \$150,000 each, with an estimated total amount awarded of up to \$6,900,000.
- All awards are for a 36-month period of performance.
- The funding during the initial 12-month period must support planning activities, followed by 24 months of implementation activities.

Budget Information

- This solicitation does not require a match.
- While applicants will be required to submit a budget for the entire 36-month project at the time of application submission, they may have the opportunity to revise their budgets based on any outcomes from the planning phase.
- Program budget approval and coordination with BJA's TTA provider are required to complete the planning phase before implementation can take place.

Budget (cont'd)

- The budget should be complete, cost-effective, and allowable. All costs should be reasonable, allocable, and necessary for project activities.
- The budget should clearly indicate the costs for the planning phase, up to the first 12 months of the project
- The following costs are not allowed: prizes, rewards, entertainment, trinkets, or any other monetary incentives; client stipends; gift cards; vehicle purchases; and food/beverages.
- The budget should include costs associated with travel for two persons to a BJA training and technical assistance related event.

For more information on allowable costs, visit OJP's Federal Financial Guide:

<https://www.ojp.gov/funding/financialguidedoj/overview>

Review Criteria

Applications that meet basic minimum requirements will be evaluated by peer reviewers. Applications will be evaluated on how the proposed project/program addresses the following criteria:

Statement of Problem/Description of the Issue	15%
Project Design & Implementation	40%
Capabilities & Competencies	30%
Plan for Collecting the Required Performance Measures Data	5%
<u>Budget</u>	10%
Total	100%

Performance Measurement and Reporting

- Although applicants are not required to submit performance data with their applications, performance measures information is included as an alert that grantees will be required to submit performance data as part of the reporting requirements under an award.
- Award recipients will be required to submit performance measure data in JustGrants. An example of the performance measures questionnaire can be found at:

<https://bja.ojp.gov/sites/g/files/xyckuh186/files/media/document/Collaborative-Crisis-Response-Training-Program-Per-Measures.pdf>

Application Submission Information

Applications must include:

- Proposal Abstract
- Proposal Narrative
- Budget Detail Worksheet with Budget Narrative (web-based form)

Proposal Abstract

- The proposal abstract (no more than 400 words) summarizes the proposed project, including primary activities, product deliverables, the service area, and who will benefit from the proposed program.
- It will be completed in the JustGrants form.

Proposal Narrative

BJA requires the following when formatting the proposal narrative:

- Do not exceed 10 pages, double-spaced.
- Use 12-point standard font, Times New Roman preferred.
- Use one-inch margins.
- Using sections and a structured format are preferred.
- Attachments do not count against the page limit.

Proposal Narrative Sections

The following sections must be included as part of the proposal narrative:

- Description of the Issue
- Project Design and Implementation
- Capabilities and Competencies
- Plan for Collecting the Data Required for this Solicitation's Performance Measures

Required Attachments

- Budget Worksheet and Budget Narrative (web-based form)
- Financial Management Questionnaire
- Disclosure of Process Related to Executive Compensation

Attachments to include, only if applicable

- Indirect Cost Rate Agreement
- Tribal Authorizing Resolution
- Research and Evaluation Independence and Integrity
- Documentation of Advancing DOJ Priorities
- Documentation of High-Poverty Areas or Persistent-Poverty Counties

How and When To Apply

What You Should Do First (if you have not already):

- **Prior to registering in Grants.gov:**
 - Acquire a DUNS Number
 - Acquire or renew registration with SAM (System for Award Management)
- **To Register in Grants.gov - Due August 13, 2021 (11:59 PM)**
 - Acquire AOR (Authorized Organization Representative) and Grants.gov username/password
 - Acquire AOR confirmation from the E-Biz POC (Point of Contact)

NEW: Two-Step Application Process

Applications will be submitted in a new two-step process, each with its own deadline:

- **August 13, 2021**, Step 1: Applicants submit an SF-424 and an SF-LLL in [Grants.gov](#).
- **August 18, 2021**, Step 2: Applicants submit the full application, including attachments, in [JusticeGrants.usdoj.gov](#).

*Read the solicitation document carefully for further guidance.

DOJ Application Submission Checklist

Review the [*DOJ Application Submission Checklist*](#)

The checklist covers all necessary steps to complete the two-part application process in Grants.gov and JustGrants.

The checklist includes:

- ✓ how to prepare to apply
- ✓ completing the abbreviated application in Grants.gov
- ✓ Entity Onboarding and JustGrants Access
- ✓ completing, reviewing, certifying and submitting your application in JustGrants, and
- ✓ helpful user tips



JustGrants Application Submission Resources

Application Mechanics eLearning Videos

By viewing the eLearning videos, job aids, DOJ Application Checklist and other resources, applicants will have all of the information needed to successfully navigate the mechanics of submitting an application.

- [Application Mechanics: Getting Ready to Apply](#)
- [Application Mechanics: Initiating Application Submission in Grants.gov](#)
- [Application Submission: Locating an Application](#)
- [Application Submission: Submitting an Application](#)
- [Application Submission: Completing a Budget Detail Form](#)
- [Application Mechanics: After Submitting an Application](#)

Important Contact Information



Technical Assistance Submitting the SF-424 and SF-LLL into Grants.gov: 800–518–4726, 606–545–5035 | support@grants.gov



Technical Assistance Submitting the FULL APPLICATION into JustGrants: 833–872–5175 | JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov



Technical Assistance with Programmatic Requirements contact the OJP Response Center: 800–851–3420 | grants@ncjrs.gov

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Resources for Funding Opportunities

BJA website

<https://www.bja.ojp.gov>

JustGrants

<https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov>

Grants.gov

www.Grants.gov

DOJ Grants Financial Guide

<https://ojp.gov/financialguide/DOJ/index.htm>

OJP Grant Funding Resource Center

<https://www.ojp.gov/funding>

Office of Justice Programs – Award Data

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

NIJ's CrimeSolutions.gov

<https://www.CrimeSolutions.ojp.gov>

This solicitation is available at:

<https://bja.ojp.gov/sites/g/files/xyckuh186/files/media/document/O-BJA-2021-121003.pdf>

Good luck!





Question & Answer

Please submit your questions into the **Q@A** box