

BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE

# FY 2019 Enhanced Collaborative Model (ECM) Task Force to Combat Human Trafficking: Supporting Law Enforcement's Role

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## **Mission:**

To provide leadership and services in grant administration and criminal justice policy development to support local, state and tribal justice strategies to achieve safer communities.

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# Eligibility

Eligible applicants are public agencies of states with law enforcement functions, units of local government (including rural law enforcement), and federally recognized Indian tribes (as recognized by the Secretary of the Interior). (A determination by the Secretary of the Interior is not required for tribes to which federal recognition was extended by virtue of Public Law 115-121, the Thomasina E. Jordan Indian Tribes of Virginia Federal Recognition Act of 2017.)”

A unit of local government is any city, county, township, town borough, parish, village, or other general purpose political subdivision of a state or territory.

# Eligibility (cont.)

## **Category 1: Task Force Capacity Building and Infrastructure**

**Development** open to applicants of new, recently formed, or in the process of forming multidisciplinary task forces.

**Category 2: Advancing Task Force Operational Effectiveness** open to applicants of previous ECM funded task forces or multidisciplinary task force that has been operational for a minimum of 3 years.

*Applicants that have received ECM task force funding in F7 2017 or FY 2018 are ineligible to apply.*

# ECM Program Goal

- **To support communities to develop and sustain a collaborative, multidisciplinary task force to combat all forms of human trafficking and to build law enforcement’s capacity and operational effectiveness as a core member of these task forces.**
- Working alongside a lead victim service provider and other key partners, ECM task forces implement victim-centered, collaborative, and sustainable approaches that:
  - Identify victims of all types of human trafficking.
  - Engage in coordinated approaches for proactive victim-centered investigations.
  - Investigate, refer, and prosecute both sex and labor trafficking cases (including the purchasers of commercial sex) at the local, state, tribal, and federal levels.
  - Address the individualized needs of trafficking victims through the provision of a comprehensive array of quality services.

# ECM Program Objectives

- Program Objectives listed in detail on page 6 of the FY2019 solicitation
- Highlights:
  - Establish and sustain effective leadership structure and operational protocols
  - Employ data-driven decision making and use data and analysis to conduct ongoing assessment of overall task force operations
  - Conduct victim centered and trauma informed investigations of both sex and labor trafficking
  - Develop and deliver training, public awareness, and community outreach to all relevant task force members and stakeholders
  - Develop and implement a long term sustainability plan.

# Category 1: Capacity Building and Infrastructure Development (pages 7 and 8)

Estimated maximum award amount: \$800,000

Estimated number of awards: 5

Length of award: 36 months

## Please note:

- Priority considerations listed.
- Scope is for overall capacity building; formalizing task force infrastructure; developing and documenting protocols, plans, and strategies; professional development; training and outreach; and ongoing task force assessment.
- Required to partner with a victim service provider that is seeking funding under the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) FY 2019 solicitation *Direct Services to Support Victims of Human Trafficking – Focus Area 3: Comprehensive Services and Partnerships with ECM Task Forces.*”
- Mandatory activities listed on page 7 and 8.
- Awards made as cooperative agreements, not grants.

## Category 1: Deliverables (detailed on page 8)

- Complete a **range of protocols** to guide overall task force operations
- Develop a process or **strategy for federal prosecutions**
- Produce **annual reports** that describe ongoing assessment efforts and outcomes.
- Submit a **training plan** (within first 12 months)
- Develop **public awareness** materials
- Submit a **plan for conducting victim-centered investigations** for both sex and labor trafficking
- Submit a **task force sustainability plan** (at least 6 months prior to the end of the grant.)

## Category 2: Advancing ECM HT Operational Effectiveness (pages 8 – 10)

Estimated maximum award amount:	\$900,000
Estimated number of awards:	5
Length of award:	36 months

### Please note:

- Priority considerations listed.
- Scope is to expand investigation and prosecutions strategies and tools, broaden task force partnerships, continued assessment of task force operations, and strengthening operational protocols.
- Required to partner with at least one victim service provider with the ability to provide comprehensive victim services – this partner **may** or **may not** be seeking funding under the OVC FY 2019 solicitation *Direct Services to Support Victims of Human Trafficking – Focus Area 3: Comprehensive Services and Partnerships with ECM Task Forces*.
- Mandatory activities listed on page 9.
- Awards made as cooperative agreements, not grants.

## Category 2: Deliverables (detailed on page 9-10)

- Develop a specific strategy for **increasing labor trafficking cases** at state and federal level
- Develop a process or **strategy for federal prosecutions**
- Produce **annual reports** that describe ongoing assessment efforts and outcomes.
- Develop a minimum of two **peer to peer learning tools or resources** to share with other law enforcement entities and communities.

# Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) funding for victim service provider partners

- Be on the lookout for funding opportunity to be posted on [www.Grants.gov](http://www.Grants.gov) and OVC Grants & Funding page [www.ovc.gov](http://www.ovc.gov)
- ***OVC FY 2019 Direct Services to Support Victims of Human Trafficking Program: Focus Area 3- Comprehensive Services and Partnership with Enhanced Collaborative Model Task Forces***
- Interested applicants may sign up to receive email when OVC solicitations are released.
- OVC will host a webinar to explain this funding opportunity after it is posted to Grants.gov.

# Victim Service Partner Roles on the Task Force

Coordinate a comprehensive array of services for victims of all forms of human trafficking.

Comprehensive Services include, but are not limited to---

Case Management

Shelter/Housing

Medical/Dental

Mental Health/ Substance Abuse

Legal Services

Interpretation/Translation

Training/Education

Employment Assistance

See Appendix A of solicitation for more information.

# Victim Service Partner Roles

Support the task force goals, objectives and deliverables. **See pages 6-10.**

- Help establish task force leadership, membership and structure.
- Participate in community assessment and making data-driven decisions.
- Help inform the development of task force protocols so that they are victim-centered and trauma-informed.
- Inform training, public awareness and outreach.
- Help inform and implement task force sustainability plan.

# Attachments (pages 17-20)

Please review Application Checklist on the last page of the solicitation.

## ALL Applicants:

- Memorandums of Understanding (ALL applicants)
- Project task and timeline, position descriptions and resumes (ALL applicants)
- Plan for ongoing assessment of task force operations
- Subrecipient and procurement disclosures (if applicable)

## Category 2 specific:

- Task Force Sustainability plan
- Plan for conducting victim-centered investigations
- Training Plan

# Budget Information

- The OJP Grant Application Resource Guide is referenced and hyperlinked multiple times in the solicitation, which includes key sections on budget and federal financial management guidance.

<https://ojp.gov/funding/Apply/Resources/Grant-App-Resource-Guide.htm>

- Page 15-16 outline specific budget items for this solicitation.
- This solicitation requires a 25 percent cash or in-kind match.
- **Funds awarded through this program are designed to support costs for key program activities: task force coordination, law enforcement investigations and prosecutions, training, and action research.**

# How to Apply and Application Deadline

Applicants must register in and submit applications through Grants.gov. This solicitation incorporates the 2019 OJP Grant Application Resource Guide by reference. It provides guidance to applicants on How to Apply and how to prepare and submit applications for funding.

Link: <https://ojp.gov/funding/Apply/Resources/Grant-App-Resource-Guide.htm>

**Applications are due 11:59pm eastern time on June 11, 2019**

For technical assistance with submitting an application, contact the Grants.gov Customer Support Hotline at 800–518–4726 or 606–545–5035, at <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/support.html>, or at [support@grants.gov](mailto:support@grants.gov). The Grants.gov Support Hotline operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, except on federal holidays. More details on solicitation pages 2 and 3.

# Training and Technical Assistance (TTA)

- BJA provides national leadership in criminal justice policy and TTA to the field to further the administration of justice.
- To accomplish this goal, BJA regularly partners with national organizations with significant expertise to set policy and disseminate best and promising practices.
- BJA currently funds and partners with the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) to support existing and future ECM task forces to achieve local objectives and successfully complete grant deliverables.
- Limited TTA is available to non-funded ECM task forces.

# IACP Human Trafficking TTA Partners:

- John Jay College of Criminal Justice (City University of New York)
- AEquitas, the Prosecutors' Resource on Violence Against Women
- DOJ human trafficking fellows
- Other DOJ-funded TTA providers (e.g. OVC TTAC)
- Task forces and subject matter experts across the U.S.

# IACP's Human Trafficking TTA Resources:

- Supporting task forces to meet grant deliverables (e.g., reviewing and advising on protocols, sustainability planning, and/or evaluation)
- Resources and tools related to human trafficking (e.g., roll call trainings)
- Peer-to-peer learning/coaching/mentoring program
- TTA, leadership, and collaboration needs assessment (onsite) for task forces
- Additional onsite visits, where needed
- Task force Liaisons

# IACP's Human Trafficking TTA Resources:

- Task force kick-off webinar
- In-person orientation meeting
- Webinars/online meetings
- Online library of human trafficking trainings, resources, and publications targeted to law enforcement, prosecutors, and judges
- In-person trainings (e.g., labor trafficking, advanced investigations)
- On-line trainings (e.g., child sex trafficking identification)
- *Task Force Connect*
- Customized TTA

# For more information on IACP's Human Trafficking TTA

[www.theiacp.org/humantrafficking](http://www.theiacp.org/humantrafficking)  
[humantrafficking@theiacp.org](mailto:humantrafficking@theiacp.org)

1-800-THE-IACP, 852

# For More Information on BJA Funding:

Visit the BJA Funding page:

<https://www.bja.gov/funding.aspx#1>

Other BJA Solicitation Funding Webinars:

<https://www.bja.gov/funding/webinars.html>

BJA Grant Applicant Education Series Webinars:

<https://www.bja.gov/funding/webinars.html#PastWebinars>

# For More Information on OVC Funding

Visit the OVC Grants & Funding Page

[www.ovc.gov](http://www.ovc.gov)

Contact Mary Atlas-Terry, OVC Victim Justice  
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# Application Assistance and Support



## National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS) Response Center

<https://www.ncjrs.gov>

- Provides solicitation support and general assistance
- Links to all current OJP funding opportunities
- Funding Notices - subscribe to receive email notifications of new opportunities
  - Sign-up to receive the bi-weekly JUSTINFO newsletter as well as the weekly Funding News From NCJRS email.
  - Be sure to select “Grants/funding” as an area of interest in your NCJRS registration profile when you subscribe.
- **email** - [grants@ncjrs.gov](mailto:grants@ncjrs.gov)
- **web chat** - <https://webcontact.ncjrs.gov/ncjchat/chat.jsp>
- **toll free** at 800-851-3420;
- **TTY** at 301-240-6310 (hearing impaired only)

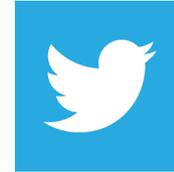
The NCJRS Response Center hours of operation are 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. eastern time, Monday through Friday.

# Application Assistance

## Grants.gov

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  - **Customer Support Hotline** – 800-518-4726 or 606—545-5035
    - The Grants.gov Support Hotline operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, except on federal holidays.
  - **Email**
    - <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/support.html>
    - [support@grants.gov](mailto:support@grants.gov)
- Provides information on available federal funding opportunities for various federal agencies.

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- RSS: <https://www.bja.gov/Connect.aspx>

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**BJA's website** – <https://www.bja.gov>.

# Recommended Resources

## OJP Funding Resource Center

- <https://ojp.gov/funding/index.htm>

## DOJ Grants Financial Guide

- <https://ojp.gov/financilaguide/DOJ/index.htm>

## DOJ Grants Financial Management Online Training

- <https://ojpfgm.webfirst.com/>

## 2019 OJP Grant Application Resource Guide

- <https://ojp.gov/funding/Apply/Resources/Grant-App-Resource-Guide.htm>

## NIJ's CrimeSolutions.gov

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