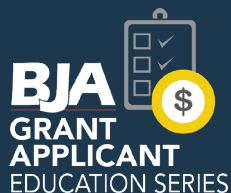


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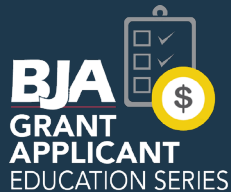
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Agenda

- Overview of the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) and the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)
- Explanation of funding opportunities available*
- Review of the FY 2023 Bureau of Justice Assistance Program Plan
- Question and answer session

Agenda

Explanation of funding opportunities available

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What Is 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)

Office of Justice Programs

BJA - Bureau of Justice Assistance

BJS - Bureau of Justice Statistics

NIJ - National Institute of Justice

OVC - Office for Victims of Crime

OJJDP - Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

SMART - Office of Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering, and Tracking

U.S. Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance

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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**BJA Director
Karhlton F. Moore**

Appointed by President Biden in February 2022, Director Moore leads BJA's programmatic and policy efforts on providing a wide range of resources, including training and technical assistance, to law enforcement, courts, corrections, treatment, reentry, justice information sharing, and community-based partners to address chronic and emerging criminal justice challenges nationwide.

Policy Office

provides national leadership to criminal justice organizations that partner with BJA to identify effective program models for replication and infuse data-driven, evidence-based strategies into operational models, practices, and programs.

Programs Office

administers state, local, tribal, and territorial grant programs. It acts as BJA's direct line of communication to states, local jurisdictions, territories, and tribal governments by providing customer-focused grants management support and careful stewardship over federal funds.

Operations Office

coordinates all communication, formulates and executes the budget, manages contracts, measures grantees' performance, and provides administrative support to BJA.

Public Safety Officer Benefits Office

provides death and education benefits to survivors of fallen law enforcement officers, firefighters, and other public safety officers, and disability benefits to officers catastrophically injured in the line of duty.

Five Major Strategic Focus Areas

Improve public safety through measures which build trust with the community and ensure an effective criminal justice system

Reduction in recidivism and prevention of unnecessary confinement and interactions with the criminal justice system

Integration of evidence-based, research-driven strategies into the day-to-day operations of BJA and the programs BJA administers and supports

Increasing program effectiveness with a renewed emphasis on data analysis, information sharing, and performance management

Ensuring organizational excellence through outstanding administration and oversight of all of BJA's strategic investments

Fund – Invest diverse funding streams to accomplish goals.

Educate – Research, develop, and deliver what works.

Equip – Create tools and products to build capacity and improve outcomes.

Partner – Consult, connect, and convene.

Types of BJA Grants

Discretionary

- Awarded *directly* by OJP to eligible recipients.
- Applicants apply directly to OJP/BJA.
- Most often awarded on a competitive basis.
- Applications undergo a preliminary review process to ensure that they are complete and meet the eligibility requirements and many are also peer reviewed.

Formula

- Are usually administered and managed by State Administering Agencies or other BJA-approved fiscal agents.
- Are most often on a noncompetitive basis.
- Distribution of funds to eligible recipients is either statutorily defined or defined by a distribution process that is specified by BJA.

PROGRAMS THAT SUPPORT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND COMMUNITY- BASED CRIMINAL JUSTICE INITIATIVES



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Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Site-based Program (COSSUP)

- Supports effective local, state, and tribal responses to illicit substance use and substance use disorders in order to reduce overdose deaths, promote public safety, and support access to treatment and recovery services throughout the criminal justice system.
- Focus Areas:
 - 1) Pre-booking or post-booking treatment alternative-to-incarceration programs that serve individuals at high risk for overdose or with substance use disorder orders (SUDs).
 - 2) Law enforcement and other first responder overdose response and referral to treatment and diversion programs.
 - 3) Education and prevention programs to connect law enforcement agencies with K-12 students.

COSSUP (cont.)

- 4) Embedding social services with law enforcement in order to rapidly respond to drug overdoses children are affected.
- 5) Comprehensive, real-time, regional information collection, analysis, and dissemination to prevent overdose, deploy resources, and assess needs.
- 6) Naloxone for law enforcement and other first responders.
- 7) Identifiable and accessible drug take-back programs.
- 8) Evidence-based treatment, such as medication-assisted treatment (MAT), as well as recovery support services, including transitional or recovery housing, peer recovery, and family support.
- 9) Family court programming to prioritize and expedite treatment and recovery services to individuals at high risk for overdose. Funds may be used to purchase naloxone as well as pay for staff (law enforcement, first responder, treatment, evaluators, peer recovery services), data analytics, and recovery supports such as housing (up to 30% of funds), transportation, and training.

COSSUP (cont.)

FY 2023 Opportunities

Category 1a: Local Applications (Urban Area): Estimated Number of Awards: 23
Average Award Amount: \$1,600,000

Category 1b: Local Applications (Suburban Area): Estimated Number of Awards: 22
Average Award Amount: Up to \$1,300,000

Category 1c: Local Applications (Rural or Tribal Area): Estimated Number of Awards:
22 Average Award Amount: Up to \$1,000,000

Category 1d: Local Applications (Statewide Applications): Estimated Number of Awards:
5 Average award Amount: Up to \$7,000,000

Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program (JMHCP)

- JMHCP supports innovative cross-system collaboration to improve responses and outcomes for individuals with mental illnesses or co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders who come into contact with the justice system.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 30
 - Average Award Amount: Up to \$550,000

Prescription Drug Monitoring Program

- The Harold Rogers Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) enhances the capacity of regulatory and law enforcement agencies and public health officials to collect and analyze controlled substance prescription data and other scheduled chemical products through a centralized database administered by an authorized agency.
- This program also strengthens states' and territories' ability to plan, implement, or enhance PDMPs by accommodating local decision making based on state laws and preferences, while encouraging the replication of promising practices, including tracking prescribing across providers and states through the integration of PDMPs and Electronic Health Records and Health Information Exchanges.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: 15
 - Average Award Amount: up to \$2,000,000

STOP School Violence Training and Technical Assistance Program

- The purpose of the STOP School Violence Program is to improve school security by providing students and teachers with the tools they need to for recognize, responding quickly to, and preventing acts of violence.
- This solicitation specifically seeks an applicant to serve as a training and technical assistance (TTA) provider, on BJA's behalf, to provide TTA and other support to BJA and SVPP grantees (an estimated 200 grantees annually for one-on-one technical assistance and 150 direct requests for assistance through the TTA helpdesk) and provide tools, resources, and information to the field generally. Applicants should clearly articulate how they will continue and expand TTA efforts based on the requirements set forth under the STOP School Violence Act and BJA and COPS Office guidance. Applicants should address all aspects of the program previously listed in their applications. In addition, applicants must explain how they will provide TTA to small agencies in rural and tribal jurisdictions across the United States and how this will be accomplished in partnership with federal agencies, educational institutions, professional organizations, and the private sector.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: 1
 - Award Amount: \$8,000,000

Kevin and Avonte Program: Reducing Injury and Death of Missing Individuals With Dementia and Developmental Disabilities

- Supports local jurisdictions' efforts to reduce the number of deaths and injuries of individuals with forms of dementia, such as Alzheimer's Disease, or developmental disabilities, such as autism, who due to their condition wander from safe environments.
- Provides funding to develop or operate programs to prevent wandering, increase individuals' safety, and facilitate rescues and for public safety agencies and partnering nonprofit organizations to implement locative technologies to track missing individuals.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 13
 - Estimated Average Award Amount: Up to \$150,000

Connect and Protect

- The Connect and Protect: Law Enforcement Behavioral Health Response Program supports cross-system collaboration to improve public safety and health responses to and outcomes for individuals with mental health disorders (MHDs) or co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders (MHSUDs) who come in contact with the justice system.
- Focused on building and implementing collaborative law enforcement and mental health responses such as co-responder teams, crisis intervention teams, and integrated community providers, this program, as part of JMHCP, supports public safety and health partnerships with social services and other organizations that will improve responses to people with MHDs and co-occurring MHSUDs.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 30
 - Average Award Amount: Up to \$550,000

Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS)

- Through CTAS, BJA and other grant-making components provide a coordinated application process for federally recognized tribes.
- BJA oversees Purpose Areas 2: comprehensive strategic planning; 3: programs for adult tribal justice systems, from prevention and treatment to tribal courts, corrections and reentry, and strategies to address violent crime; and 4: to support tribal justice infrastructure investments through renovation and modular buildings.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: 40-50
 - Estimated Average Award Amount: PA2: up to \$150,000; PA3: \$250,000–900,000; and PA4: \$1,000,000–\$4,000,000.

Reimagining Justice: Testing a New Model of Community Safety

- This program will support the development and testing of new or innovative approaches that improve community safety and trust, using alternatives to traditional enforcement mechanisms. Focused in neighborhoods experiencing high rates of less serious and low-level criminal offenses.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 5
 - Average Award Amount: Up to \$1,000,000

Field Initiated: Encouraging Innovation

- Invests in collaborations with the field and experts to prevent and reduce crime and enhance the criminal justice system through innovative approaches that accelerate justice by identifying, defining, and responding to emerging or chronic crime problems and systemic issues. BJA is looking for new approaches, addressing gaps in responses, building or translating research knowledge, or building capacity.
- FY 2023 Opportunities: Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 10
Average Award Amount: Up to \$1,000,000
- Category 1: State, Local, Tribal, or Regional Field Tests
Category 2: National Strategies

National Center on Restorative Justice

- To continue and expand the activities of the National Center on Restorative Justice, which seeks to educate, train and build knowledge on restorative justice approaches and principles and their application to criminal justice and community safety goals, working with current partners.
- FY 2023 Opportunities:
 - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 1
 - Average Award Amount: Up to \$3,000,000

Tribal Training and Technical Assistance Program

- The goal of the Tribal Justice TTA program is to build the capacity of tribal justice-funded grantees and tribal justice systems in preventing and reducing crime and the impact of illicit opioids, stimulants, and other substances on tribal members and communities, including a reduction in the number of overdose fatalities. It also seeks to enhance collaborations and intergovernmental agreements with federal, state and local partners to address crime and support the specific needs of Alaskan Native Villages.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: 7 TTA awards.
 - Average Award Amount: Up to \$1,800,000

Improving Adult and Youth Crisis Stabilization and Community Reentry (CSRC)

- This program will support state, local and Tribal governments, as well as community-based nonprofit organizations and eligible behavioral health providers, to coordinate and provide comprehensive treatment, recovery, and other supportive reentry services to people experiencing mental health, substance use, or co-occurring disorders who are currently or were formerly involved in the justice system.
- Programs funded under this solicitation must make sure that individuals are screened, assessed, and identified for program participation and clinical services during pretrial detention or as early as possible upon incarceration and prior to release.
- Following release, participants should receive discharge planning and wraparound services based on the results of their screening and assessment that support continuity of care and long-term recovery in the community.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 10
 - Average Award Amount: Up to \$750,000

Price of Justice: Rethinking Fines and Fees

- This program will fund expert training and technical assistance to help state and local jurisdictions assess and reduce their reliance on fines and fees, reduce the disproportionate impact of fines and fees, reduce jailing and other sanctions for failure to pay, and ultimately redirect the resources used to effectuate assessment and collection of fines and fees into activities shown to have a greater return on public safety.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: 1
 - Average Award Amount: Up to \$2,500,000

PROGRAMS THAT SUPPORT LAW ENFORCEMENT



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Body-Worn Cameras (BWCs)

- The intent of the program is to fund the purchase or lease of BWCs and deployment of BWC pilot, full-implementation, or expansion programs as one tool in a law enforcement agency's comprehensive problem-solving approach to improve officer safety, enhance evidentiary values, improve accountability and transparency, and promote mutual trust.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: 56
 - Estimated Award Amount: Depends on an agency's size and number of BWCs proposed, up to \$470,000.

Collaborative Crisis Response Training Program

- This initiative seeks to implement transdisciplinary crisis response training to educate and prepare law enforcement and correctional officers so they are equipped to appropriately interact with people who have behavioral health conditions or disabilities in the course of completing their job responsibilities.
- This program seeks applications from state, local, and tribal law enforcement and correctional entities to:
 - Plan, develop, and deploy a best practice training program for officers that includes their community.
 - Develop a strategy for deploying officers trained in crisis response during times of crisis.
 - Evaluate, improve, and sustain community engagement and a best practice program.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: 8-12
 - Average Award Amount: \$250,000

Virtual Reality De-escalation Training

- New in 2023
- BJA seeks to support law enforcement agencies through the adoption of innovative immersive virtual reality technology designed for law enforcement training. This program focuses on investment in new technologies including virtual reality systems designed for use by law enforcement and that allow for multi-participant engagement, and which can be integrated into existing or new training programs focused on improving police responses to individuals in crisis.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: 8 -9
 - Average Award Amount: Up to \$800,000

Smart Policing Initiative (SPI) Demonstration Program

- SPI provides resources to law enforcement agencies to help them identify their most pressing crime problems, and support their use of promising practices, data, and technology to effectively respond to those problems.
- Target a pressing operational or crime reduction issue for innovation and intensive intervention. Partner with a researcher to evaluate the project and results.
- BJA will prioritize applications for the development of real-time crime centers in communities with high violent and gun crime rates.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 14
 - Average Award Amount: Up to \$375,000
- A training and technical assistance competition is anticipated under this program. Funding and the number of awards are TBD.

Crime Gun Intelligence Center Integration Initiative (CGICs)

- The Local Law Enforcement CGIC Integration Initiative, administered by BJA in partnership with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), is a competitive grant program that provides funding to state, local, and tribal government entities that are experiencing precipitous increases in gun-related violent crime.
- The initiative's purpose is to support local and tribal jurisdictions' capacity to work with their ATF partners to utilize intelligence, technology, and community engagement to swiftly identify unlawfully used firearms and their sources, and effectively prosecute perpetrators engaged in violent crime.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 7
 - Estimated Average Award Amount: Up to \$700,000

Internet of Things (IoT) TTA

- IoT is a system of interrelated, internet-connected objects that are able to collect and transfer data over a wireless network without human intervention. When applying this to criminal acts, identifying evidence and the prosecution of criminal use adds a totally different dimension to the phrase Internet of Things.
- This program will identify up to four TTA providers to identify these types of crimes and provide training on how investigations and prosecution should be handled as well as on how communities can be made aware of their vulnerability to fall victim to these types of crimes. A special effort will be made to ensure these trainings are available to law enforcement agencies, no matter the size or the location.
- This effort will specifically include prosecutors and judges to ensure they are aware of these types of crimes and how other states, counties, and jurisdictions are addressing IoT crimes and trends.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 4
 - Average Award Amount: Up to \$450,000

Intellectual Property Enforcement Program (IPEP)

- IPEP is designed to protect public health, safety, and the economy from counterfeit goods and product piracy.
- IPEP also enhances the capacities of state, local, tribal, and territorial criminal justice systems to address intellectual property enforcement, including prosecution, prevention, training, and technical assistance.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 6
 - Estimated Average Award Amount: Up to \$250,000

Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI)

- Support inventorying, testing, and tracking sexual assault kits.
- Access necessary training.
- Engage in multidisciplinary policy development, implementation, and coordination.
- Improve practices related to investigation, prosecution, and victim engagement and provide support in connection with evidence and cases resulting from the testing process.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 40
 - Estimated Average Amount: Up to \$1,200,000

Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program (Coverdell)

- Coverdell aims to improve the quality and timeliness of forensic science and medical examiner/coroner offices' services.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: 10
 - Estimated Average Amount: Up to \$500,000

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- Estimated Number of Awards: 56
- Estimated Average Amount: \$460,000

Postconviction Testing of DNA Evidence

- Postconviction Testing of DNA Evidence provides funding to states, units of local government, and public institutions of higher education to assist in defraying the costs associated with postconviction case identification, case review, evidence location, and DNA testing in violent felony cases (as defined by state law) where the results of such testing might show actual innocence.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: 15
 - Estimated Average Amount: Up to \$750,000

Prosecuting Cold Cases Using DNA

- The Prosecuting Cold Cases Using DNA Program provides funding to prosecute violent crime cold cases and decrease the number of violent crime cold cases awaiting prosecution.
- Additionally, this program provides direct assistance to increase the capacity of state and local prosecuting agencies to address violent crime cold cases.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: 15
 - Estimated Average Amount: Up to \$500,000

Strengthening the Medical Examiner-Coroner System Program

- The Strengthening the Medical Examiner-Coroner System program is a competitive grant program that provides funding to support medical examiner-coroner (ME/C) offices increase the supply of board-certified forensic pathologists nationwide.
- It also seeks to strengthen the quality and consistency of ME/C services in their respective offices, increasing public trust in these services.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: 17
 - Estimated Average Award Amount: Up to \$100,000

PROGRAMS THAT SUPPORT COURTS, PROSECUTION, DEFENSE



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Emmett Till Cold Case Investigations Program

- The Emmett Till Cold Case Investigations Program supports state, local, and tribal law enforcement and prosecution agencies to investigate and prosecute unsolved homicide cold case murders suspected of having been racially motivated. It also includes support for victims' families and stakeholders impacted by these cases.
- Funds are limited to violations of civil rights statutes resulting in death that occurred no later than December 31, 1979.
- BJA collaborates with DOJ's Community Relations Service to support reconciliation and support services for families of victims and other stakeholders.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: 3
 - Estimated Average Award: \$750,000

Innovative Prosecution Solutions (IPS) for Combatting Violent Crime (Smart Prosecution)

- The IPS Program provides state, local, and tribal prosecutors with information and resources to develop effective strategies and programs to address violent crime.
- OJP recognizes that prosecutors' offices carry attorney caseloads well above recommended levels, lack critical support staff, and rely on outdated information technology to manage their caseloads, which can have a negative impact on victims, criminal defendants, and public safety.
 - IPS will address this need as well as the struggle to effectively adjust to the growing amount of evidence and the subsequent intricacies of the investigation and prosecution of crimes, particularly cyber, human trafficking, gun, and drug crimes.

Smart Prosecution

- IPS supports the use of technology, intelligence, and data analytics in innovative ways that enable prosecutors to focus resources on the people and places associated with high concentrations of criminal activity.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 13
 - Award Amount: Up to \$385,000

Training and Technical Assistance Opportunities

- Estimated Number of Awards: 1
- Award Amount: \$500,000

Matthew Shepard and James Byrd, Jr. Hate Crimes Program

- Hate crimes (sometimes called bias-motivated crimes) are criminal offenses motivated by some form of bias toward a victim on the basis of their perceived or actual race, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, or disability.
- The Matthew Shepard and James Byrd, Jr. Hate Crimes Program supports state, local, and tribal law enforcement and prosecution agencies in their outreach to and education of the public, victims, and their staff and partners about hate crimes. This program also reimburses expenses associated with the investigation and prosecution of hate crimes.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: 13
 - Average Amount: Up to \$4,000,000

John R. Justice (JRJ) Grant Program

- The JRJ Program assists states and territories in providing loan repayment to local, state, and federal public defenders and local and state prosecutors who commit to extended employment in those roles.
- By assisting in the recruitment and retention of qualified attorneys, the program helps to fulfill DOJ's mission to enhance the criminal justice system.
- FY 2023 Opportunities:
 - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 56
 - Estimated Average Award Amount: Up to \$35,147

Community Courts Program

- The Community Courts Program supports efforts by state, local, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments to establish and enhance community-oriented court models in their jurisdictions, with a focus on communities with significant crime and related substance use issues.
- The ultimate goal is to encourage the successful replication of the community court model and the application of community court principles to the wider community.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 10
 - Average Award Amount: Up to \$900,000

Adult Treatment Court Discretionary Grant Program

- The Adult Treatment Court Discretionary Grant Program supports state, local, and tribal governments and courts to develop and implement drug courts that effectively integrate evidence-based SUD treatment, mandatory drug testing, sanctions and incentives, and transitional services in a judicially supervised court setting with jurisdiction over high risk, high needs defendants with addictions, including those at risk for overdose.
- This program supports significant investments in rural jurisdictions to enhance access to treatment and recovery support services and to prevent overdose.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: 42
 - Estimated Award: Category 1: up to \$900,000; Category 2: up to \$1,000,000; and Category 3: up to \$2,500,000

Adult Treatment Court Training and Technical Assistance Initiative

- The purpose of the Adult Treatment Court Planning, Training, Technical Assistance, and Resource Center Initiative solicitation is to provide a range of training and technical assistance (TTA) resources, information, and financial support to adult drug courts and veterans treatment courts, as well as the Statewide Drug Court Coordinators who lead this work in their state.
- FY23 Funding Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: 5
 - Estimated Award Amount: Up to \$2,000,000

Veterans Treatment Court Program

- The Veterans Treatment Court Discretionary Grant Program supports state, local, and tribal governments and courts to develop and implement veterans treatment courts that effectively integrate evidence-based substance use disorder treatment, mandatory drug testing, sanctions and incentives, and transitional services in judicially supervised court settings that have jurisdiction over veterans involved with the criminal justice system who have SUDs and a history of violence and post-traumatic stress disorder as a result of their military service.
- This program supports investment in rural jurisdictions and those without drug court services.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: 22
 - Estimated Award Amount: Category 1: up to \$900,000; Category 2: up to \$950,000; and Category 3: up to \$2,500,000

Upholding the Rule of Law and Preventing Wrongful Convictions Program (ROL/WCR)

- BJA's ROL/WCR Program helps protect the integrity of the criminal justice system by supporting efforts to provide high quality and efficient representation for defendants in postconviction claims of innocence and to identify, whenever possible, the actual perpetrators of the crimes.
- It also supports conviction integrity efforts to prevent future error.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: 16
 - Estimated Award Available: Up to \$ 600,000

The Capital Case Litigation Program

- BJA's CCLI Program helps protect the integrity of the criminal justice system by providing effective training programs, resources, and tools for state and local prosecutors and defense attorneys to build their capacity as capital litigators and ensure effective representation in state capital cases, including for judges.
- This solicitation will focus on creating a bench book and assistance for judges overseeing these cases.

- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: 1
 - Estimated Award Available: Up to \$1,000,000

PROGRAMS THAT SUPPORT CORRECTIONS



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Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Resource Center

- PREA directs DOJ to provide grants to jurisdictions and agencies nationwide to “protect inmates and safeguard communities.”
- The BJA PREA Resource Center responds to this statutory obligation by providing user-friendly, practical resources and information related to successful PREA implementation; delivering targeted training and technical assistance to agencies and facilities that request it; and supporting the ongoing efforts of BJA's state, local, and tribal PREA grantees that were funded prior to FY 2023.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: 1
 - Estimated Award Amount: Up to \$4,580,000

Second Chance Act Community-based Reentry Program

- The Community-based Reentry Program provides opportunities for nonprofit service providers and tribes to partner with correctional agencies to provide critical transitional services as offenders return from incarceration back into the community.
- Grantees implement or expand on reentry programs that demonstrate strong partnerships with corrections, parole, probation, and other reentry service providers.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 15
 - Estimated Average Award Amount: Up to \$750,000

Improving Reentry Education and Employment Outcomes Program

- Enhance corrections systems' ability to expand education and employment programs that emphasize strong partnerships with corrections, parole, probation, education, workforce development, and reentry service providers.
- The program seeks to reduce recidivism and enhance educational opportunities as well as employment prospects for incarcerated adults reentering the workforce.
- Partnerships can support the establishment and improvement of academic and vocational education programs, as well as career training programs, available in prisons and jails.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 26
 - Average Award Amount: Up to \$900,000

Improving Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Recovery Outcomes for Adults in Reentry

Enhance corrections systems' ability to address the substance use disorder treatment needs of people during incarceration and reentry in order to reduce recidivism, promote recovery, and, in the process, improve public safety and public health.

- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 8
 - Average Award Amount: Up to \$900,000

Smart Reentry: Innovations for Jails

- The program will help local jurisdictions assess their reentry systems, identify strengths and gaps, and then build capacity for improving reentry inside the jails, as well as implement or expand service delivery with community-based providers, and align with local agencies.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: 5
 - Estimated Award Amount \$ Up to \$1,000,00

Second Chance Act Pay for Success Initiative

- This program provides funding for state, local, and tribal governments to enhance or implement performance-based and outcomes-based contracts with reentry and permanent supportive housing providers to reduce recidivism and address the substance use disorders impacting people who were formerly incarcerated.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 6
 - Average Award Amount: \$1,000,000

Swift, Certain, and Fair Supervision Program: Applying the Principles Behind Project HOPE

- This grant program seeks to enhance community supervision agencies' capacity to help reduce crime committed by, and improve outcomes for, people under supervision by using the swift, certain, and fair (SCF) principles of intervention.
- Award funds may be used for a variety of activities to assist community supervision agencies with developing or enhancing their SCF initiatives (e.g., drug and alcohol screening, training, treatment, staff positions, and overtime).
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 5
 - Estimated Average Award Amount: Up to \$800,000

FORMULA PROGRAMS



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DNA Capacity Enhancement for Backlog Reduction (CEBR) Program

- The CEBR Program provides formula funding to states and units of local government with existing crime laboratories to increase the capacity of publicly funded forensic DNA and DNA database laboratories to process more DNA samples, thereby helping to reduce the number of forensic DNA and DNA database samples awaiting analysis and/or prevent a backlog of forensic and database DNA samples.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 135
 - Estimated Average Award Amount: \$500,000

Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN)

- Project Safe Neighborhoods is designed to create safer neighborhoods through a sustained reduction in crime associated with gang and gun violence.
- PSN's effectiveness is based on the cooperation of local, state, and federal agencies engaged in a unified approach led by the U.S. Attorney in each district.
- FY 2023 Opportunities
 - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 93
 - Estimated Average Award Amount: Up to \$190,000

Residential Substance Abuse Treatment for State Prisoners Program (RSAT)

- RSAT assists states and local governments to develop and implement substance use treatment programs in state, local, and tribal correctional and detention facilities.
- Funds are also available to create and maintain community-based aftercare services for individuals involved in the criminal justice system.
- FY 2023 Opportunities:
 - Estimated Number of Awards: Up to 56
 - Estimated Average Amount: Up to \$724,218

Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)

JAG is OJP's flagship grant program and the leading source of federal justice funding to state, local, and tribal jurisdictions. There are nine broad program areas:

- law enforcement
- prosecution and court
- prevention and education
- corrections and community corrections, including reentry
- drug treatment and enforcement
- planning, evaluation, and technology improvement
- Crime victim and witness initiatives
- Mental health programs (and related law enforcement and corrections programs, including behavioral programs and crisis intervention teams)
- Implementation of state crisis intervention court proceedings and related programs or initiatives including, but not limited to mental health courts, drug courts, veterans courts, and extreme risk protection order programs

FY23 Opportunities

- Estimated total funding available for Local JAG: up to \$95,000,000 and approximately 1200 awards.
- Estimated total funding available for State JAG: up to \$195,000,000 and 56 awards.

Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) Program—Payment Program

- The purpose of the BVP Program is to reimburse states, counties, federally recognized tribes, cities, and local jurisdictions up to 50 percent of the cost of body armor vests purchased for law enforcement officers.
- Current legislation allocates funds first to jurisdictions with less than 100,000 residents
- Since 1999, the BVP Program has awarded more than 13,000 jurisdictions a total of \$522 million in federal funds for the purchase of over one million vests (1,441,013).
- Opportunities
 - Estimated number of payments: 4,500
 - Estimated funding amount \$25,000,000

State Criminal Alien Assistance (SCAAP) Payment Program

- Through SCAAP, OJP makes payments to eligible states and units of local government that incur certain types of costs due to incarceration of undocumented criminal aliens during a particular 12-month reporting period.
- Opportunities
 - Estimated number of payments: 500
 - Estimated funding amount \$234,000,000

Other Types of Assistance

Payments

- Awarded directly by OJP to eligible recipients.
- Applicants apply directly to OJP/BJA.
- Payments made on a reimbursement basis.
- Payment formula statutorily defined.

What's Next

- Expected Solicitation Release Dates: Open on a rolling basis, with many opening in February and March
- Application Submission Deadlines: Generally open for at least 60 days; some may be open longer.
 - Remember: DOJ applications are submitted in a two-step process, each with its own deadline.
 - Applicants begin by submitting an SF-424 and SF-LLL within Grants.gov. They are transferred to the Justice Grants System (JustGrants) and the applicant can then submit the full application, in JustGrants.

FY 2023 Resources for Funding Opportunities

The [Department of Justice Program Plan](https://www.justice.gov/dojgrantsprogramplan) (<https://www.justice.gov/dojgrantsprogramplan>) is a tool to help applicants and grantees find funding opportunities (solicitations) that address their criminal, juvenile, and civil justice needs. The plan provides summary details on the funding opportunities that DOJ agencies are expecting to release in the current fiscal year

FY 2023 Resources for Funding Opportunities

BJA's website

<https://bja.ojp.gov>

OJP Grant Funding Resources

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

Grants.gov

www.Grants.gov

JustGrants

<https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov>

Office of Justice Programs – Award Data

<https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/OJPAwardData.htm>

NIJ's CrimeSolutions.gov

<https://www.CrimeSolutions.gov>

BJA Grant Applicant Education Series

To access previous webinar recordings, transcripts, and slides visit:

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

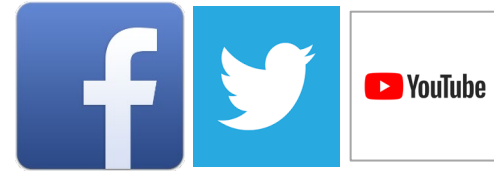
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BJA need reviewers from diverse backgrounds and regions who have knowledge, expertise, and/or lived experience across a wide range of justice related and community safety areas including, but not limited to:

- Crime prevention
- Community-based violence reduction
- Criminal justice reform
- Law enforcement
- Gang and gun crime
- Prosecution
- Courts and adjudication
- Corrections and community corrections
- Reentry and recidivism reduction
- Tribal justice
- School safety
- Forensic sciences
- Mental health and crisis intervention services
- Alcohol and substance use disorder prevention, harm reduction, treatment, and recovery services
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- If you are interested in becoming a peer reviewer, please submit an up-to-date resume or curriculum vitae, including a valid email address, to:
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Application Assistance and Support

OJP Response Center

- Provides solicitation support and general assistance
- **email** - 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)

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