BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE SOLICITATION OVERVIEW

## BJA'S FY 2024 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) PROGRAM – LOCAL SOLICITATION



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Who May Apply:

County, city, or township governments; Native American tribal governments (federally recognized); Special district governments

Why Apply:

Receive funding to support a range of program areas, including law enforcement, prosecution, indigent defense, courts, crime prevention and education, corrections and community corrections, drug treatment and enforcement, planning, evaluation, technology improvement, crime victim and witness initiatives, mental health programs and related law enforcement and corrections programs, including behavioral programs and crisis intervention teams, and 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.

#### **Maximum per Award:**

Amount varies by category and eligible allocation amounts.

Examples of strategies/ activities that can be funded:

- Advance social reform efforts and effective criminal justice practices to enhance public trust.
- Promote equity and support for underserved communities, ensuring equal access to justice.
- Prevent and combat hate and bias-motivated crimes, as well as improve reporting of incidents.
- Coordinate with state attorneys and Project Safe Neighborhoods grantees to aid crime and violence reduction programs.
- Purchase drug-detection canines to combat the rise

- of drug trafficking, including methamphetamines.
- Deter, detect, and protect against threats of violence against election workers, administrators, officials, and others associated with the electoral process.
- Support public defense systems, including the hiring and retention of attorneys.
- Support reentry projects with the goal of improving outcomes for incarcerated individuals.



# Where to get more information about this opportunity:

Visit <u>bja.ojp.gov/program/jag/overview</u> for more information about the program and <u>https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o-bja-2024-172239</u> for full funding information.

### **Tips for Success:**

- Start early! To apply, you must first have a valid registration in the System for Award Management (SAM). Registration and renewal can take up to 10 business days to complete. Register at: <a href="mailto:sam.gov/content/home">sam.gov/content/home</a>.
- For questions about the program's requirements or the application process, see the full solicitation at: <a href="https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/0-BJA-2024-172239.pdf">https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/0-BJA-2024-172239.pdf</a> for information on whom to contact.
- Visit BJA Funding Webinars at: <u>bja.ojp.gov/events/funding-webinars</u> and review the "Federal Funding Process: First Steps to Applying, How to Prepare Now, and Other Considerations."
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### How to apply and when:

Submit a two-step application.

- 1. Register in <u>Grants.gov</u> and follow the prompts to submit two forms by October 16, 2024.
- 2. Then complete the full application in <u>JustGrants.usdoj.gov</u> by October 22, 2024. The application's major elements are:
  - a. The **proposal abstract** that summarizes the problem you wish to address with your project (no more than 400 words).
  - b. The proposal narrative that describes your project's strategies, activities, and major deliverables as well as your capacity to address the problem.
  - c. The **web-based budget** form that details how you will allocate the grant funds by task, date, and responsible person.

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