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# INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF FRESNO and COUNTY OF FRESNO (ALL OF FRESNO COUNTY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

## EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) PROGRAM FY 2022 LOCAL SOLICITATION

This Agreement, which incorporates Grant Management System Award Number 15PBJA22-GG-002061-JAGX, including the Certifications and Assurances, is made and entered into this <a href="https://linear.com/linear.co

#### **RECITALS**

WHEREAS, this Agreement is made under the authority of Section 930 through 930.6 of the Government Code; and

WHEREAS, each governing body, in performing governmental functions or in paying for the performance of governmental functions hereunder, shall make that performance or those payments only from current Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG) revenues annually appropriated and available to that party; and

WHEREAS, each governing body finds that the performance of this Agreement is in the best interests of all parties, that the undertaking will benefit the public, and that the division of costs/allocation of funds fairly divides JAG funding and compensates the performing party for the services or functions under this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the County of Fresno is a disparate jurisdiction. Allocation amounts for disparate jurisdictions appearing on the 2022 JAG allocation list are suggested amounts based on what each jurisdiction would have been eligible to receive if there was no identified disparity. Disparate jurisdictions are responsible for determining individual allocations and documenting individual allocations in a Memorandum Of Understanding. The suggested allocation amounts are as follows: the CITY shall receive \$229,282, and the COUNTY shall receive \$95,930; and

WHEREAS, jurisdictions certified as disparate must identify a fiscal agent who will submit a joint application for the total eligible allocation. The fiscal agent will be responsible for oversight of subawardee spending and monitoring of specific outcomes and benefits attributable to use of funds. Up to 10 percent of the JAG award funds may be used for costs associated with administering JAG funds; and

WHEREAS, the CITY and COUNTY believe it to be in their best interests to allocate the JAG funds as suggested on the 2022 JAG allocation noted above.

#### **AGREEMENT**

NOW THEREFORE, the COUNTY and CITY agree as follows:

Section 1.

The CITY and COUNTY have agreed that the CITY will act as Fiscal Agent for purposes of the FY 2022 JAG. The CITY and COUNTY have agreed neither party will seek costs associated with administering JAG funds. Contingent upon funding being available, CITY agrees to allocate funding to the COUNTY in the amount of \$95,930 from the FY 2022 JAG funds within 30 days of receipt of funds by City.

#### Section 2.

COUNTY and CITY agree to use funds for the JAG until expiration of the FY 2022 JAG term, whereupon any unused funds shall be remitted to the U.S. Department Of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), consistent with Program requirements.

#### Section 3.

Nothing in the performance of this Agreement shall impose any liability for claims against CITY other than claims for which liability may be imposed by the California Tort Claims Act.

#### Section 4.

Nothing in the performance of this Agreement shall impose any liability for claims against COUNTY other than claims for which liability may be imposed by the California Tort Claims Act.

#### Section 5.

The CITY and COUNTY agree to comply with all requirements of the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (34 U.S.C. 10153(a)), and in accordance with all applicable statutes, regulations, Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circulars, and guidelines, including the OJP Financial Guide. The COUNTY agrees to provide the CITY, as Fiscal Agent, with all required financial reporting within 30 days after the end of each quarter and semi-annual programmatic reporting information no later than the 30 days following the end of each six-month period, in a format approved by the CITY.

#### Section 6.

The parties are acting in an independent capacity. Each of the parties agrees that it, including any and all of its officers, agents, and/or employees, shall have absolutely no right to employment rights and benefits available to the other party's employees. Each party shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, its own officers, agents, and/or employees all legally and contractually required employee benefits. In addition, each party shall be solely responsible and hold the other party harmless for all matters relating to payment of each party's employees, including, but not limited to, compliance with applicable social security withholding and all other regulations governing such matters. Further and without limitation, each party to this Agreement will be responsible for its own actions in providing services under this Agreement and shall not be liable for any civil liability that may arise from the furnishing of the services by the other party.

CITY shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend County of Fresno and each of its officers, officials, employees, agents and volunteers from any and all loss, liability, fines, penalties, forfeitures, costs and damages (whether in contract, tort or strict liability, including but not limited to personal injury, death at any time and property damage) incurred by County of Fresno, CITY or any other person, and from any and all claims, demands and actions in law or equity (including attorney's fees and litigation expenses), arising or alleged to have arisen directly or indirectly from the negligent or intentional acts or omissions, or willful misconduct of CITY or any of its officers, officials, employees, agents or volunteers in the performance of this Agreement; provided nothing

herein shall constitute a waiver by CITY of governmental immunities including California Government Code section 810 et seq.

County of Fresno shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend CITY and each of its officers, officials, employees, agents and volunteers from any and all loss, liability, fines, penalties, forfeitures, costs and damages (whether in contract, tort or strict liability, including but not limited to personal injury, death at any time and property damage) incurred by the CITY, County of Fresno or any other person, and from any and all claims, demands and actions in law or equity (including attorney's fees and litigation expenses), arising or alleged to have arisen directly or indirectly from the negligent or intentional acts or omissions, or willful misconduct of County of Fresno or any of its officers, officials, employees, agents or volunteers in the performance of this Agreement; provided nothing herein shall constitute a waiver by County of Fresno of governmental immunities including California Government Code section 810 et seq.

In the event of concurrent negligence on the part of CITY or any of its officers, officials, employees, agents or volunteers, and County of Fresno or any of its officers, officials, employees, agents or volunteers, the liability for any and all such claims, demands and actions in law or equity for such losses, fines, penalties, forfeitures, costs and damages shall be apportioned under the State of California's theory of comparative negligence as presently established or as may be modified hereafter.

This section 6 shall survive termination or expiration of this Agreement.

#### Section 7.

The parties to this Agreement do not intend for any third party to obtain a right by virtue of this Agreement.

#### Section 8.

By entering into this Agreement, the parties do not intend to create any obligations express or implied other than those set out herein. Further, this Agreement shall not create any rights in any party not a signatory hereto.

#### Section 9.

Any and all notices between the parties provided for or permitted under this Agreement or by law shall be in writing and shall be deemed duly served when personally delivered to each party, or in lieu of such personal service, when deposited in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to each party at the address provided on the signature page of this Agreement. For all claims arising out of or related to this Agreement, nothing in this section establishes, waives, or modifies any claims presentation requirements or procedures provided by law, including but not limited to the Government Claims Act (Division 3.6 of Title 1 of the Government Code, beginning with section 810).

#### Section 10.

Each party shall at any time during business hours, and as often as each party may reasonably deem necessary, make available to each other for examination all of its records and data with respect to the matters covered by this Agreement for a period of three years following JAG expiration.

#### Section 11.

The provisions of this Agreement are severable. The invalidity, or unenforceability of any one provision in this Agreement shall not affect the other provisions.

#### Section 12.

The parties acknowledge that this Agreement in its final form is the result of the combined efforts of the parties and that, should any provision of this Agreement be found to be ambiguous in any way, such ambiguity shall not be resolved by construing this Agreement in favor of or against any party, but rather by construing the terms in accordance with their generally accepted meaning.

#### Section 13.

This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all previous agreements, negotiations, proposals, commitments, writing, advertisements, publications, and understandings of any nature whatsoever unless expressly included in this Agreement.

#### Section 14.

Each party represents that it and the person signing on its behalf has full authority to execute and enter into this Agreement. This Agreement is subject to ratification by the approval of the Fresno City Council, and approval of the Fresno County Board of Supervisors.

#### Section 15.

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same Agreement, binding on the parties hereto according to its terms and conditions.

[SIGNATURES FOLLOW ON THE NEXT PAGE.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement in Fresno County, California as of the day and year first hereinabove written.

By: White, City Manager Georgeanne A. City of Fresno Paco Balderrama, Chief of Police Fresno Police Department APPROVED AS TO FORM: ANDREW JANZ City Attorney By:

ity City Attorney

ATTEST: TODD STERMER, CMC

CITY OF FRESNO

City Clerk

Barrios 8/19/73

Deputy

COUNTY OF FRESNO

Chairman of the

Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno

ATTEST:

BERNICE E. SEIDEL. Clerk of the Board of Supervisors County of Fresno, State of California

By: Haname, De

Address:

County of Fresno

Attn: John Zanoni, Sheriff Fresno County Sheriff's Office

2200 Fresno Street Fresno, CA 93717

Fund: 0095 Subclass: 17655

Org: 1456 Account: 4375

Address:

City of Fresno

Attn: Chief Paco Balderrama Fresno Police Department 2323 Mariposa Street Fresno, CA 93721

"By law, the Fresno City Attorney's Office may only advise or approve the form of contracts or legal documents on behalf of its clients. It may not advise or approve the form of contracts or legal document on behalf of other parties. Our view of this document was conducted solely from the legal perspective of our client. Our approval as to the form of this document was offered solely for the benefit of our client. Other parties should not rely on this approval and should seek review and approval by their own respective attorney(s).

## Certifications and Assurances

## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS

## Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Program FY 2022 Local Solicitation

Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government

On behalf of the applicant unit of local government named below, in support of that locality's application for an award under the FY 2022 Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant ("JAG") Program, and further to 34 U.S.C. § 10153(a), I certify to the Office of Justice Programs ("OJP"), U.S. Department of Justice ("USDOJ"), that all of the following are true and correct:

- 1. I am the chief executive of the applicant unit of local government named below, and I have the authority to make the following representations on my own behalf as chief executive and on behalf of the applicant unit of local government. I understand that these representations will be relied upon as material in any OJP decision to make an award, under the application described above, to the applicant unit of local government.
- 2. I certify that no federal funds made available by the award (if any) that OJP makes based on the application described above will be used to supplant local funds, but will be used to increase the amounts of such funds that would, in the absence of federal funds, be made available for law enforcement activities.
- 3. I assure that the application described above (and any amendment to that application) was submitted for review to the governing body of the unit of local government (e.g., city council or county commission), or to an organization designated by that governing body, not less than 30 days before the date of this certification.
- 4. I assure that, before the date of this certification— (a) the application described above (and any amendment to that application) was made public; and (b) an opportunity to comment on that application (or amendment) was provided to citizens and to neighborhood or community-based organizations, to the extent applicable law or established procedure made such an opportunity available.
- 5. I assure that, for each fiscal year of the award (if any) that OJP makes based on the application described above, the applicant unit of local government will maintain and report such data, records, and information (programmatic and financial), as OJP may reasonably require.
- 6. I have carefully reviewed 34 U.S.C. § 10153(a)(5), and, with respect to the programs to be funded by the award (if any), I hereby make the certification required by section 10153(a)(5), as to each of the items specified therein.

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Signature of Chief Executive of the Applicant Unit of	Date of Certification	
Sal Quintero	Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno	
Printed Name of Chief Executive	Title of Chief Executive	
County of Fresno		

ATTEST:
BERNICE E. SEIDEL
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Fresno. State of California
By Honal Deputy

## **Award Conditions**

#### Award Letter

September 26, 2022

Dear Paco Balderrama.

On behalf of Attorney General Merrick B. Garland, it is my pleasure to inform you the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) has approved the application submitted by FRESNO, CITY OF for an award under the funding opportunity entitled 2022 BJA FY 22 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program - Local Solicitation. The approved award amount is \$325,212.

Review the Award Instrument below carefully and familiarize yourself with all conditions and requirements before accepting your award. The Award Instrument includes the Award Offer (Award Information, Project Information, Financial Information, and Award Conditions) and Award Acceptance. For COPS Office and OVW funding the Award Offer also includes any Other Award Documents.

Please note that award requirements include not only the conditions and limitations set forth in the Award Offer, but also compliance with assurances and certifications that relate to conduct during the period of performance for the award. These requirements encompass financial, administrative, and programmatic matters, as well as other important matters (e.g., specific restrictions on use of funds). Therefore, all key staff should receive the award conditions, the assurances and certifications, and the application as approved by OJP, so that they understand the award requirements. Information on all pertinent award requirements also must be provided to any subrecipient of the award.

Should you accept the award and then fail to comply with an award requirement, DOJ will pursue appropriate remedies for non-compliance, which may include termination of the award and/or a requirement to repay award funds.

Prior to accepting the award, your Entity Administrator must assign a Financial Manager, Grant Award Administrator, and Authorized Representative(s) in the Justice Grants System (JustGrants). The Entity Administrator will need to ensure the assigned Authorized Representative(s) is current and has the legal authority to accept awards and bind the entity to the award terms and conditions. To accept the award, the Authorized Representative(s) must accept all parts of the Award Offer in the Justice Grants System (JustGrants), including by executing the required declaration and certification, within 45 days from the award date.

To access your funds, you will need to enroll in the Automated Standard Application for Payments (ASAP) system, if you haven't already completed the enrollment process in ASAP. The Entity Administrator should have already received an email from ASAP to initiate this process.

Congratulations, and we look forward to working with you.

Maureen Henneberg Deputy Assistant Attorney General

#### Office for Civil Rights Notice for All Recipients

The Office for Civil Rights (OCR), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) has been delegated the responsibility for ensuring that recipients of federal financial assistance from the OJP, the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), and the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) are not engaged in discrimination prohibited by law. Several federal civil rights laws, such as Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Section 504 of the

Rehabilitation Act of 1973, require recipients of federal financial assistance to give assurances that they will comply with those laws. Taken together, these civil rights laws prohibit recipients of federal financial assistance from DOJ from discriminating in services and employment because of race, color, national origin, religion, disability, sex, and, for grants authorized under the Violence Against Women Act, sexual orientation and gender identity. Recipients are also prohibited from discriminating in services because of age. For a complete review of these civil rights laws and nondiscrimination requirements, in connection with DOJ awards, see https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/LegalOverview/CivilRightsRequirements.htm.

Under the delegation of authority, the OCR investigates allegations of discrimination against recipients from individuals, entities, or groups. In addition, the OCR conducts limited compliance reviews and audits based on regulatory criteria. These reviews and audits permit the OCR to evaluate whether recipients of financial assistance from the Department are providing services in a nondiscriminatory manner to their service population or have employment practices that meet equal-opportunity standards.

If you are a recipient of grant awards under the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act or the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act and your agency is part of a criminal justice system, there are two additional obligations that may apply in connection with the awards: (1) complying with the regulation relating to Equal Employment Opportunity Programs (EEOPs); and (2) submitting findings of discrimination to OCR. For additional information regarding the EEOP requirement, see 28 CFR Part 42, subpart E, and for additional information regarding requirements when there is an adverse finding, see 28 C.F.R. §§ 42.204(c), .205(c)(5).

The OCR is available to help you and your organization meet the civil rights requirements that are associated with DOJ grant funding. If you would like the OCR to assist you in fulfilling your organization's civil rights or nondiscrimination responsibilities as a recipient of federal financial assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the OCR at askOCR@ojp.usdoj.gov.

#### Memorandum Regarding NEPA

**NEPA Letter Type** 

OJP - Ongoing NEPA Compliance Incorporated into Further Developmental Stages

**NEPA** Letter

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG) allows states and local governments to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime and to improve the criminal justice system, some of which could have environmental impacts. All recipients of JAG funding must assist BJA in complying with NEPA and other related federal environmental impact analyses requirements in the use of grant funds, whether the funds are used directly by the grantee or by a subgrantee or third party. Accordingly, prior to obligating funds for any of the specified activities, the grantee must first determine if any of the specified activities will be funded by the grant.

The specified activities requiring environmental analysis are:

- a. New construction;
- b. Any renovation or remodeling of a property located in an environmentally or historically sensitive area, including properties located within a 100-year flood plain, a wetland, or habitat for endangered species, or a property listed on or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places;
- c. A renovation, lease, or any proposed use of a building or facility that will either (a) result in a change in its basic prior use or (b) significantly change its size;
- d. Implementation of a new program involving the use of chemicals other than chemicals that are (a) purchased as an incidental component of a funded activity and (b) traditionally used, for example, in

office, household, recreational, or education environments; and
e. Implementation of a program relating to clandestine methamphetamine laboratory operations, including the identification, seizure, or closure of clandestine methamphetamine laboratories.

Complying with NEPA may require the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement, as directed by BJA. Further, for programs relating to methamphetamine laboratory operations, the preparation of a detailed Mitigation Plan will be required. For more information about Mitigation Plan requirements, please see <a href="https://www.bja.gov/Funding/nepa.html">https://www.bja.gov/Funding/nepa.html</a>.

NEPA Coordinator		
First Name	Middle Name	Last Name
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#### Award Information

This award is offered subject to the conditions or limitations set forth in the Award Information, Project Information, Financial Information, and Award Conditions.

## & Recipient Information

Recipient Name

FRESNO, CITY OF

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Street 1

Street 2

2600 FRESNO ST

City

State/U.S. Territory

FRESNO

California

Zip/Postal Code

Country

93721

**United States** 

County/Parish

**Province** 

## Award Details

**Federal Award Date** 

9/26/22

**Award Number** 

15PBJA-22-GG-02061-JAGX

**Federal Award Amount** 

\$325,212.00

**Award Type** 

Initial

Supplement Number

00

**Funding Instrument Type** 

Grant

### Assistance Listing Number Assistance Listings Program Title

16.738

Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program

#### **Statutory Authority**

Title I of Pub. L. No. 90-351 (generally codified at 34 U.S.C. 10101-10726), including subpart 1 of part E (codified at 34 U.S.C. 10151 - 10158); see also 28 U.S.C. 530C(a)



I have read and understand the information presented in this section of the Federal Award Instrument.

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- > Financial Information
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- > Award Letter
- > Award Information
- Project Information

This award is offered subject to the conditions or limitations set forth in the Award Information, Project Information, Financial Information, and Award Conditions.

Solicitation Title

2022 BJA FY 22 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program - Local

Solicitation

**Application Number** 

GRANT13681617

**Awarding Agency** 

OJP

**Program Office** 

BJA

Grant Manager Name Phone Number

Linda Hill-Franklin 202-514-0712

E-mail Address

Linda.Hill-Franklin@usdoj.gov

#### **Project Title**

Local Law Enforcement Equipment and Services Augmentation Program

Performance Period Start

Date

Performance Period End

Date

10/01/2021

09/30/2025

**Budget Period Start Date** 

**Budget Period End Date** 

10/01/2021

09/30/2025

#### **Project Description**

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program allows units of local government, including tribes, to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime based on their own state and local needs and conditions. Grant funds can be used for state and local initiatives, technical assistance, training, personnel, equipment, supplies, contractual support, and information systems for criminal justice or civil proceedings, including for any one or more of

the following program areas: 1) law enforcement programs; 2) prosecution and court programs; 3) prevention and education programs; 4) corrections and community corrections programs; 5) drug treatment and enforcement programs; 6) planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs; 7) crime victim and witness programs (other than compensation); 8) mental health programs and related law enforcement and corrections programs, including behavioral programs and crisis intervention teams; and 9) 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.

I have read and understand the information presented in this section of the Federal Award Instrument.

#### Financial Information

This award is offered subject to the conditions or limitations set forth in the Award Information, Project Information, Financial Information, and Award Conditions.

I have read and understand the information presented in this section of the Federal Award Instrument.

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- > Project Information
- > Financial Information
- Award Conditions

This award is offered subject to the conditions or limitations set forth in the Award Information, Project Information, Financial Information, and Award Conditions.



Compliance with general appropriations-law restrictions on the use of federal funds (FY 2022)

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable restrictions on the use of federal funds set out in federal appropriations statutes. Pertinent restrictions, including from various "general provisions" in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022, are set out at <a href="https://www.ojp.gov/funding/Explore/FY22AppropriationsRestrictions.htm">https://www.ojp.gov/funding/Explore/FY22AppropriationsRestrictions.htm</a>, and are incorporated by reference here.

Should a question arise as to whether a particular use of federal funds by a recipient (or a subrecipient) would or might fall within the scope of an appropriations-law restriction, the recipient is to contact OJP for guidance, and may not proceed without the express prior written approval of OJP.



Applicability of Part 200 Uniform Requirements

The Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements in 2 C.F.R. Part 200, as adopted and supplemented by DOJ in 2 C.F.R. Part 2800 (together, the "Part 200 Uniform Requirements") apply to this FY 2022 award from OJP.

The Part 200 Uniform Requirements were first adopted by DOJ on December 26, 2014. If this FY 2022 award supplements funds previously awarded by OJP under the same award number (e.g., funds awarded during or before December 2014), the Part 200 Uniform Requirements apply with respect to all funds under that award number (regardless of the award date, and regardless of whether derived from the initial award or a supplemental award) that are obligated on or after the acceptance date of this FY 2022 award.

For more information and resources on the Part 200 Uniform Requirements as they relate to OJP awards and subawards ("subgrants"), see the OJP website at https://ojp.gov/funding/Part200UniformRequirements.htm.

Record retention and access: Records pertinent to the award that the recipient (and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier) must retain -- typically for a period of 3 years from the date of submission of the final expenditure report (SF 425), unless a different retention period applies -- and to which the recipient (and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier) must provide access, include performance measurement information, in addition to the financial records, supporting documents, statistical records, and other pertinent records indicated at 2 C.F.R. 200.334.

In the event that an award-related question arises from documents or other materials prepared or distributed

by OJP that may appear to conflict with, or differ in some way from, the provisions of the Part 200 Uniform Requirements, the recipient is to contact OJP promptly for clarification.



Requirement to report actual or imminent breach of personally identifiable information (PII)

The recipient (and any "subrecipient" at any tier) must have written procedures in place to respond in the event of an actual or imminent "breach" (OMB M-17-12) if it (or a subrecipient) -- (1) creates, collects, uses, processes, stores, maintains, disseminates, discloses, or disposes of "Personally Identifiable Information (PII)" (2 CFR 200.1) within the scope of an OJP grant-funded program or activity, or (2) uses or operates a "Federal information system" (OMB Circular A-130). The recipient's breach procedures must include a requirement to report actual or imminent breach of PII to an OJP Program Manager no later than 24 hours after an occurrence of an actual breach, or the detection of an imminent breach.



**OJP Training Guiding Principles** 

Any training or training materials that the recipient -- or any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier -- develops or delivers with OJP award funds must adhere to the OJP Training Guiding Principles for Grantees and Subgrantees, available at https://www.ojp.gov/funding/implement/training-guiding-principles-grantees-and-subgrantees.



Required training for Grant Award Administrator and Financial Manager

The Grant Award Administrator and all Financial Managers for this award must have successfully completed an "OJP financial management and grant administration training" by 120 days after the date of the recipient's acceptance of the award. Successful completion of such a training on or after October 15, 2020, will satisfy this condition.

In the event that either the Grant Award Administrator or a Financial Manager for this award changes during the period of performance, the new Grant Award Administrator or Financial Manager must have successfully completed an "OJP financial management and grant administration training" by 120 calendar days after the date the Entity Administrator enters updated Grant Award Administrator or Financial Manager information in JustGrants. Successful completion of such a training on or after January 1, 2020, will satisfy this condition.

A list of OJP trainings that OJP will consider "OJP financial management and grant administration training" for purposes of this condition is available at https://www.ojp.gov/training/fmts.htm. All trainings that satisfy this condition include a session on grant fraud prevention and detection.

The recipient should anticipate that OJP will immediately withhold ("freeze") award funds if the recipient fails to comply with this condition. The recipient's failure to comply also may lead OJP to impose additional appropriate conditions on this award.



Effect of failure to address audit issues

The recipient understands and agrees that the DOJ awarding agency (OJP or OVW, as appropriate) may withhold award funds, or may impose other related requirements, if (as determined by the DOJ awarding agency) the recipient does not satisfactorily and promptly address outstanding issues from audits required by the Part 200 Uniform Requirements (or by the terms of this award), or other outstanding issues that arise in connection with audits, investigations, or reviews of DOJ awards.



Requirements of the award; remedies for non-compliance or for materially false statements

The conditions of this award are material requirements of the award. Compliance with any assurances or certifications submitted by or on behalf of the recipient that relate to conduct during the period of performance also is a material requirement of this award.

Limited Exceptions. In certain special circumstances, the U.S. Department of Justice ("DOJ") may determine that it will not enforce, or enforce only in part, one or more requirements otherwise applicable to the award. Any such exceptions regarding enforcement, including any such exceptions made during the period of performance, are (or will be during the period of performance) set out through the Office of Justice Programs ("OJP") webpage entitled "Legal Notices: Special circumstances as to particular award conditions" (ojp.gov/funding/Explore/LegalNotices-AwardRegts.htm), and incorporated by reference into the award.

By signing and accepting this award on behalf of the recipient, the authorized recipient official accepts all material requirements of the award, and specifically adopts, as if personally executed by the authorized recipient official, all assurances or certifications submitted by or on behalf of the recipient that relate to conduct during the period of performance.

Failure to comply with one or more award requirements -- whether a condition set out in full below, a condition incorporated by reference below, or an assurance or certification related to conduct during the award period -- may result in OJP taking appropriate action with respect to the recipient and the award. Among other things, the OJP may withhold award funds, disallow costs, or suspend or terminate the award. DOJ, including OJP, also may take other legal action as appropriate.

Any materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement to the federal government related to this award (or concealment or omission of a material fact) may be the subject of criminal prosecution (including under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and/or 1621, and/or 34 U.S.C. 10271-10273), and also may lead to imposition of civil penalties and administrative remedies for false claims or otherwise (including under 31 U.S.C. 3729-3730 and 3801-3812).

Should any provision of a requirement of this award be held to be invalid or unenforceable by its terms, that provision shall first be applied with a limited construction so as to give it the maximum effect permitted by law. Should it be held, instead, that the provision is utterly invalid or -unenforceable, such provision shall be deemed severable from this award.



Compliance with DOJ regulations pertaining to civil rights and nondiscrimination - 28 C.F.R. Part 38

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable requirements of 28 C.F.R. Part 38 (as may be applicable from time to time), specifically including any applicable requirements regarding written notice to program beneficiaries and prospective program beneficiaries.

Currently, among other things, 28 C.F.R. Part 38 includes rules that prohibit specific forms of discrimination on the basis of religion, a religious belief, a refusal to hold a religious belief, or refusal to attend or participate in a religious practice. Part 38, currently, also sets out rules and requirements that pertain to recipient and subrecipient ("subgrantee") organizations that engage in or conduct explicitly religious activities, as well as rules and requirements that pertain to recipients and subrecipients that are faith-based or religious organizations.

The text of 28 C.F.R. Part 38 is available via the Electronic Code of Federal Regulations (currently accessible at https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/ECFR?page=browse), by browsing to Title 28-Judicial Administration, Chapter 1, Part 38, under e-CFR "current" data.



Compliance with DOJ regulations pertaining to civil rights and nondiscrimination - 28 C.F.R. Part 42

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable requirements

of 28 C.F.R. Part 42, specifically including any applicable requirements in Subpart E of 28 C.F.R. Part 42 that relate to an equal employment opportunity program.



Compliance with DOJ regulations pertaining to civil rights and nondiscrimination - 28 C.F.R. Part 54

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable requirements of 28 C.F.R. Part 54, which relates to nondiscrimination on the basis of sex in certain "education programs."



Compliance with 41 U.S.C. 4712 (including prohibitions on reprisal; notice to employees)

The recipient (and any subrecipient at any tier) must comply with, and is subject to, all applicable provisions of 41 U.S.C. 4712, including all applicable provisions that prohibit, under specified circumstances, discrimination against an employee as reprisal for the employee's disclosure of information related to gross mismanagement of a federal grant, a gross waste of federal funds, an abuse of authority relating to a federal grant, a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety, or a violation of law, rule, or regulation related to a federal grant.

The recipient also must inform its employees, in writing (and in the predominant native language of the workforce), of employee rights and remedies under 41 U.S.C. 4712.

Should a question arise as to the applicability of the provisions of 41 U.S.C. 4712 to this award, the recipient is to contact the DOJ awarding agency (OJP or OVW, as appropriate) for guidance.



Compliance with applicable rules regarding approval, planning, and reporting of conferences, meetings, trainings, and other events

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable laws, regulations, policies, and official DOJ guidance (including specific cost limits, prior approval and reporting requirements, where applicable) governing the use of federal funds for expenses related to conferences (as that term is defined by DOJ), including the provision of food and/or beverages at such conferences, and costs of attendance at such conferences.

Information on the pertinent DOJ definition of conferences and the rules applicable to this award appears in the DOJ Grants Financial Guide (currently, as section 3.10 of "Postaward Requirements" in the "DOJ Grants Financial Guide").



Requirement for data on performance and effectiveness under the award

The recipient must collect and maintain data that measure the performance and effectiveness of work under this award. The data must be provided to OJP in the manner (including within the timeframes) specified by OJP in the program solicitation or other applicable written guidance. Data collection supports compliance with the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) and the GPRA Modernization Act of 2010, and other applicable laws.



Requirements related to "de minimis" indirect cost rate

A recipient that is eligible under the Part 200 Uniform Requirements and other applicable law to use the "de minimis" indirect cost rate described in 2 C.F.R. 200.414(f), and that elects to use the "de minimis" indirect cost rate, must advise OJP in writing of both its eligibility and its election, and must comply with all

associated requirements in the Part 200 Uniform Requirements. The "de minimis" rate may be applied only to modified total direct costs (MTDC) as defined by the Part 200 Uniform Requirements.



Determination of suitability to interact with participating minors

SCOPE. This condition applies to this award if it is indicated -- in the application for the award (as approved by DOJ)(or in the application for any subaward, at any tier), the DOJ funding announcement (solicitation), or an associated federal statute -- that a purpose of some or all of the activities to be carried out under the award (whether by the recipient, or a subrecipient at any tier) is to benefit a set of individuals under 18 years of age.

The recipient, and any subrecipient at any tier, must make determinations of suitability before certain individuals may interact with participating minors. This requirement applies regardless of an individual's employment status.

The details of this requirement are posted on the OJP web site at https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/Interact-Minors.htm (Award condition: Determination of suitability required, in advance, for certain individuals who may interact with participating minors), and are incorporated by reference here.



Requirement to disclose whether recipient is designated "high risk" by a federal grant-making agency outside of DOJ

If the recipient is designated "high risk" by a federal grant-making agency outside of DOJ, currently or at any time during the course of the period of performance under this award, the recipient must disclose that fact and certain related information to OJP by email at OJP.ComplianceReporting@ojp.usdoj.gov. For purposes of this disclosure, high risk includes any status under which a federal awarding agency provides additional oversight due to the recipient's past performance, or other programmatic or financial concerns with the recipient. The recipient's disclosure must include the following: 1. The federal awarding agency that currently designates the recipient high risk, 2. The date the recipient was designated high risk, 3. The high-risk point of contact at that federal awarding agency (name, phone number, and email address), and 4. The reasons for the high-risk status, as set out by the federal awarding agency.



Compliance with DOJ Grants Financial Guide

References to the DOJ Grants Financial Guide are to the DOJ Grants Financial Guide as posted on the OJP website (currently, the "DOJ Grants Financial Guide" available at https://ojp.gov/financialguide/DOJ/index.htm), including any updated version that may be posted during the period of performance. The recipient agrees to comply with the DOJ Grants Financial Guide.



Encouragement of policies to ban text messaging while driving

Pursuant to Executive Order 13513, "Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging While Driving," 74 Fed. Reg. 51225 (October 1, 2009), DOJ encourages recipients and subrecipients ("subgrantees") to adopt and enforce policies banning employees from text messaging while driving any vehicle during the course of performing work funded by this award, and to establish workplace safety policies and conduct education, awareness, and other outreach to decrease crashes caused by distracted drivers.



Potential imposition of additional requirements

The recipient agrees to comply with any additional requirements that may be imposed by the DOJ awarding agency (OJP or OVW, as appropriate) during the period of performance for this award, if the recipient is designated as "high-risk" for purposes of the DOJ high-risk grantee list.

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Employment eligibility verification for hiring under the award

- 1. The recipient (and any subrecipient at any tier) must--
- A. Ensure that, as part of the hiring process for any position within the United States that is or will be funded (in whole or in part) with award funds, the recipient (or any subrecipient) properly verifies the employment eligibility of the individual who is being hired, consistent with the provisions of 8 U.S.C. 1324a(a)(1).
- B. Notify all persons associated with the recipient (or any subrecipient) who are or will be involved in activities under this award of both--
- (1) this award requirement for verification of employment eligibility, and
- (2) the associated provisions in 8 U.S.C. 1324a(a)(1) that, generally speaking, make it unlawful, in the United States, to hire (or recruit for employment) certain aliens.
- C. Provide training (to the extent necessary) to those persons required by this condition to be notified of the award requirement for employment eligibility verification and of the associated provisions of 8 U.S.C. 1324a(a)(1).
- D. As part of the recordkeeping for the award (including pursuant to the Part 200 Uniform Requirements), maintain records of all employment eligibility verifications pertinent to compliance with this award condition in accordance with Form I-9 record retention requirements, as well as records of all pertinent notifications and trainings.
- 2. Monitoring

The recipient's monitoring responsibilities include monitoring of subrecipient compliance with this condition.

Allowable costs

To the extent that such costs are not reimbursed under any other federal program, award funds may be obligated for the reasonable, necessary, and allocable costs (if any) of actions designed to ensure compliance with this condition.

- 4. Rules of construction
- A. Staff involved in the hiring process

For purposes of this condition, persons "who are or will be involved in activities under this award" specifically includes (without limitation) any and all recipient (or any subrecipient) officials or other staff who are or will be involved in the hiring process with respect to a position that is or will be funded (in whole or in part) with award funds.

B. Employment eligibility confirmation with E-Verify

For purposes of satisfying the requirement of this condition regarding verification of employment eligibility, the recipient (or any subrecipient) may choose to participate in, and use, E-Verify (www.e-verify.gov), provided an appropriate person authorized to act on behalf of the recipient (or subrecipient) uses E-Verify (and follows the proper E-Verify procedures, including in the event of a "Tentative Nonconfirmation" or a "Final Nonconfirmation") to confirm employment eligibility for each hiring for a position in the United States that is or will be funded (in whole or in part) with award funds.

C. "United States" specifically includes the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Virgin Islands of the United States, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

- D. Nothing in this condition shall be understood to authorize or require any recipient, any subrecipient at any tier, or any person or other entity, to violate any federal law, including any applicable civil rights or nondiscrimination law.
- E. Nothing in this condition, including in paragraph 4.B., shall be understood to relieve any recipient, any subrecipient at any tier, or any person or other entity, of any obligation otherwise imposed by law, including 8 U.S.C. 1324a(a)(1).

Questions about E-Verify should be directed to DHS. For more information about E-Verify visit the E-Verify website (https://www.e-verify.gov/) or email E-Verify at E-Verify@dhs.gov. E-Verify employer agents can email E-Verify at E-VerifyEmployerAgent@dhs.gov.

Questions about the meaning or scope of this condition should be directed to OJP, before award acceptance.

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Restrictions and certifications regarding non-disclosure agreements and related matters

No recipient or subrecipient ("subgrantee") under this award, or entity that receives a procurement contract or subcontract with any funds under this award, may require any employee or contractor to sign an internal confidentiality agreement or statement that prohibits or otherwise restricts, or purports to prohibit or restrict, the reporting (in accordance with law) of waste, fraud, or abuse to an investigative or law enforcement representative of a federal department or agency authorized to receive such information.

The foregoing is not intended, and shall not be understood by the agency making this award, to contravene requirements applicable to Standard Form 312 (which relates to classified information), Form 4414 (which relates to sensitive compartmented information), or any other form issued by a federal department or agency governing the nondisclosure of classified information.

- In accepting this award, the recipient--
- a. represents that it neither requires nor has required internal confidentiality agreements or statements from employees or contractors that currently prohibit or otherwise currently restrict (or purport to prohibit or restrict) employees or contractors from reporting waste, fraud, or abuse as described above; and
- b. certifies that, if it learns or is notified that it is or has been requiring its employees or contractors to execute agreements or statements that prohibit or otherwise restrict (or purport to prohibit or restrict), reporting of waste, fraud, or abuse as described above, it will immediately stop any further obligations of award funds, will provide prompt written notification to the federal agency making this award, and will resume (or permit resumption of) such obligations only if expressly authorized to do so by that agency.
- 2. If the recipient does or is authorized under this award to make subawards ("subgrants"), procurement contracts, or both--
- a. it represents that--
- (1) it has determined that no other entity that the recipient's application proposes may or will receive award funds (whether through a subaward ("subgrant"), procurement contract, or subcontract under a procurement contract) either requires or has required internal confidentiality agreements or statements from employees or contractors that currently prohibit or otherwise currently restrict (or purport to prohibit or restrict) employees or contractors from reporting waste, fraud, or abuse as described above; and
- (2) it has made appropriate inquiry, or otherwise has an adequate factual basis, to support this representation; and
- b. it certifies that, if it learns or is notified that any subrecipient, contractor, or subcontractor entity that receives funds under this award is or has been requiring its employees or contractors to execute agreements or statements that prohibit or otherwise restrict (or purport to prohibit or restrict), reporting of waste, fraud, or abuse as described above, it will immediately stop any further obligations of award funds to

or by that entity, will provide prompt written notification to the federal agency making this award, and will resume (or permit resumption of) such obligations only if expressly authorized to do so by that agency.



Reclassification of various statutory provisions to a new Title 34 of the United States Code

On September 1, 2017, various statutory provisions previously codified elsewhere in the U.S. Code were editorially reclassified (that is, moved and renumbered) to a new Title 34, entitled "Crime Control and Law Enforcement." The reclassification encompassed a number of statutory provisions pertinent to OJP awards (that is, OJP grants and cooperative agreements), including many provisions previously codified in Title 42 of the U.S. Code.

Effective as of September 1, 2017, any reference in this award document to a statutory provision that has been reclassified to the new Title 34 of the U.S. Code is to be read as a reference to that statutory provision as reclassified to Title 34. This rule of construction specifically includes references set out in award conditions, references set out in material incorporated by reference through award conditions, and references set out in other award requirements.



All subawards ("subgrants") must have specific federal authorization

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable requirements for authorization of any subaward. This condition applies to agreements that -- for purposes of federal grants administrative requirements -- OJP considers a "subaward" (and therefore does not consider a procurement "contract").

The details of the requirement for authorization of any subaward are posted on the OJP web site at https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/SubawardAuthorization.htm (Award condition: All subawards ("subgrants") must have specific federal authorization), and are incorporated by reference here.



Requirements related to System for Award Management and Universal Identifier Requirements

The recipient must comply with applicable requirements regarding the System for Award Management (SAM), currently accessible at https://www.sam.gov/. This includes applicable requirements regarding registration with SAM, as well as maintaining the currency of information in SAM.

The recipient also must comply with applicable restrictions on subawards ("subgrants") to first-tier subrecipients (first-tier "subgrantees"), including restrictions on subawards to entities that do not acquire and provide (to the recipient) the unique entity identifier required for SAM registration.

The details of the recipient's obligations related to SAM and to unique entity identifiers are posted on the OJP web site at https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/SAM.htm (Award condition: System for Award Management (SAM) and Universal Identifier Requirements), and are incorporated by reference here.

This condition does not apply to an award to an individual who received the award as a natural person (i.e., unrelated to any business or non-profit organization that he or she may own or operate in his or her name).



Restrictions on "lobbying"

In general, as a matter of federal law, federal funds awarded by OJP may not be used by the recipient, or any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, either directly or indirectly, to support or oppose the enactment, repeal, modification, or adoption of any law, regulation, or policy, at any level of government. See 18 U.S.C. 1913. (There may be exceptions if an applicable federal statute specifically authorizes certain activities that

otherwise would be barred by law.)

Another federal law generally prohibits federal funds awarded by OJP from being used by the recipient, or any subrecipient at any tier, to pay any person to influence (or attempt to influence) a federal agency, a Member of Congress, or Congress (or an official or employee of any of them) with respect to the awarding of a federal grant or cooperative agreement, subgrant, contract, subcontract, or loan, or with respect to actions such as renewing, extending, or modifying any such award. See 31 U.S.C. 1352. Certain exceptions to this law apply, including an exception that applies to Indian tribes and tribal organizations.

Should any question arise as to whether a particular use of federal funds by a recipient (or subrecipient) would or might fall within the scope of these prohibitions, the recipient is to contact OJP for guidance, and may not proceed without the express prior written approval of OJP.



Specific post-award approval required to use a noncompetitive approach in any procurement contract that would exceed \$250,000

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable requirements to obtain specific advance approval to use a noncompetitive approach in any procurement contract that would exceed the Simplified Acquisition Threshold (currently, \$250,000). This condition applies to agreements that -- for purposes of federal grants administrative requirements -- OJP considers a procurement "contract" (and therefore does not consider a subaward).

The details of the requirement for advance approval to use a noncompetitive approach in a procurement contract under an OJP award are posted on the OJP web site at https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/NoncompetitiveProcurement.htm (Award condition: Specific post-award approval required to use a noncompetitive approach in a procurement contract (if contract would exceed \$250,000)), and are incorporated by reference here.



Requirements pertaining to prohibited conduct related to trafficking in persons (including reporting requirements and OJP authority to terminate award)

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable requirements (including requirements to report allegations) pertaining to prohibited conduct related to the trafficking of persons, whether on the part of recipients, subrecipients ("subgrantees"), or individuals defined (for purposes of this condition) as "employees" of the recipient or of any subrecipient.

The details of the recipient's obligations related to prohibited conduct related to trafficking in persons are posted on the OJP web site at https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/ProhibitedConduct-Trafficking.htm (Award condition: Prohibited conduct by recipients and subrecipients related to trafficking in persons (including reporting requirements and OJP authority to terminate award)), and are incorporated by reference here.



Requirement to report potentially duplicative funding

If the recipient currently has other active awards of federal funds, or if the recipient receives any other award of federal funds during the period of performance for this award, the recipient promptly must determine whether funds from any of those other federal awards have been, are being, or are to be used (in whole or in part) for one or more of the identical cost items for which funds are provided under this award. If so, the recipient must promptly notify the DOJ awarding agency (OJP or OVW, as appropriate) in writing of the potential duplication, and, if so requested by the DOJ awarding agency, must seek a budget-modification or change-of-project-scope Grant Award Modification (GAM) to eliminate any inappropriate duplication of funding.



Reporting potential fraud, waste, and abuse, and similar misconduct

The recipient, and any subrecipients ("subgrantees") at any tier, must promptly refer to the DOJ Office of the Inspector General (OIG) any credible evidence that a principal, employee, agent, subrecipient, contractor, subcontractor, or other person has, in connection with funds under this award-- (1) submitted a claim that violates the False Claims Act; or (2) committed a criminal or civil violation of laws pertaining to fraud, conflict of interest, bribery, gratuity, or similar misconduct.

Potential fraud, waste, abuse, or misconduct involving or relating to funds under this award should be reported to the OIG by--(1) online submission accessible via the OIG webpage at https://oig.justice.gov/hotline/contact-grants.htm (select "Submit Report Online"); (2) mail directed to: U.S. Department of Justice, Office of the Inspector General, Investigations Division, ATTN: Grantee Reporting, 950 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20530; and/or (3) by facsimile directed to the DOJ OIG Investigations Division (Attn: Grantee Reporting) at (202) 616-9881 (fax).

Additional information is available from the DOJ OIG website at https://oig.justice.gov/hotline.



In accepting this award, the recipient agrees that grant funds cannot be used for Facial Recognition Technology (FRT) unless the recipient has policies and procedures in place to ensure that the FRT will be utilized in an appropriate and responsible manner that promotes public safety, and protects privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties and complies with all applicable provisions of the U.S. Constitution, including the Fourth Amendment's protection against unreasonable searches and seizures and the First Amendment's freedom of association and speech, as well as other laws and regulations. Recipients utilizing funds for FRT must make such policies and procedures available to DOJ upon request.



FFATA reporting: Subawards and executive compensation

The recipient must comply with applicable requirements to report first-tier subawards ("subgrants") of \$30,000 or more and, in certain circumstances, to report the names and total compensation of the five most highly compensated executives of the recipient and first-tier subrecipients (first-tier "subgrantees") of award funds. The details of recipient obligations, which derive from the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (FFATA), are posted on the OJP web site at https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/FFATA.htm (Award condition: Reporting Subawards and Executive Compensation), and are incorporated by reference here.

This condition, including its reporting requirement, does not apply to-- (1) an award of less than \$30,000, or (2) an award made to an individual who received the award as a natural person (i.e., unrelated to any business or non-profit organization that he or she may own or operate in his or her name).



The recipient agrees to comply with OJP grant monitoring guidelines, protocols, and procedures, and to cooperate with BJA and OCFO on all grant monitoring requests, including requests related to desk reviews, enhanced programmatic desk reviews, and/or site visits. The recipient agrees to provide to BJA and OCFO all documentation necessary to complete monitoring tasks, including documentation related to any subawards made under this award. Further, the recipient agrees to abide by reasonable deadlines set by BJA and OCFO for providing the requested documents. Failure to cooperate with BJA's/OCFO's grant monitoring activities may result in sanctions affecting the recipient's DOJ awards, including, but not limited to: withholdings and/or other restrictions on the recipient's access to grant funds; referral to the Office of the Inspector General for audit review; designation of the recipient as a DOJ High Risk grantee; or termination of an award(s).



Required monitoring of subawards

The recipient must monitor subawards under this award in accordance with all applicable statutes, regulations, award conditions, and the DOJ Grants Financial Guide, and must include the applicable conditions of this award in any subaward. Among other things, the recipient is responsible for oversight of subrecipient spending and monitoring of specific outcomes and benefits attributable to use of award funds by subrecipients. The recipient agrees to submit, upon request, documentation of its policies and procedures for monitoring of subawards under this award.



Use of program income

Program income (as defined in the Part 200 Uniform Requirements) must be used in accordance with the provisions of the Part 200 Uniform Requirements. Program income earnings and expenditures both must be reported on the quarterly Federal Financial Report, SF 425.



Justice Information Sharing

Information sharing projects funded under this award must comply with DOJ's Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative (Global) guidelines. The recipient (and any subrecipient at any tier) must conform to the Global Standards Package (GSP) and all constituent elements, where applicable, as described at: https://it.ojp.gov/gsp\_grantcondition. The recipient (and any subrecipient at any tier) must document planned approaches to information sharing and describe compliance with the GSP and appropriate privacy policy that protects shared information, or provide detailed justification for why an alternative approach is recommended.



Avoidance of duplication of networks

To avoid duplicating existing networks or IT systems in any initiatives funded by BJA for law enforcement information sharing systems which involve interstate connectivity between jurisdictions, such systems shall employ, to the extent possible, existing networks as the communication backbone to achieve interstate connectivity, unless the recipient can demonstrate to the satisfaction of BJA that this requirement would not be cost effective or would impair the functionality of an existing or proposed IT system.



Compliance with 28 C.F.R. Part 23

With respect to any information technology system funded or supported by funds under this award, the recipient (and any subrecipient at any tier) must comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23, Criminal Intelligence Systems Operating Policies, if OJP determines this regulation to be applicable. Should OJP determine 28 C.F.R. Part 23 to be applicable, OJP may, at its discretion, perform audits of the system, as per the regulation. Should any violation of 28 C.F.R. Part 23 occur, the recipient may be fined as per 34 U.S.C. 10231(c)-(d). The recipient may not satisfy such a fine with federal funds.



Protection of human research subjects

The recipient (and any subrecipient at any tier) must comply with the requirements of 28 C.F.R. Part 46 and all OJP policies and procedures regarding the protection of human research subjects, including obtainment of Institutional Review Board approval, if appropriate, and subject informed consent.



Confidentiality of data

The recipient (and any subrecipient at any tier) must comply with all confidentiality requirements of 34 U.S.C. 10231 and 28 C.F.R. Part 22 that are applicable to collection, use, and revelation of data or information. The recipient further agrees, as a condition of award approval, to submit a Privacy Certificate that is in accord with requirements of 28 C.F.R. Part 22 and, in particular, 28 C.F.R. 22.23.



The award recipient agrees to participate in a data collection process measuring program outputs and outcomes. The data elements for this process will be outlined by the Office of Justice Programs.



The recipient agrees to cooperate with any assessments, national evaluation efforts, or information or data collection requests, including, but not limited to, the provision of any information required for the assessment or evaluation of any activities within this project.



Law enforcement task forces - required training

Within 120 days of award acceptance, each current member of a law enforcement task force funded with award funds who is a task force commander, agency executive, task force officer, or other task force member of equivalent rank, must complete required online (internet-based) task force training. Additionally, all future task force members must complete this training once during the period of performance for this award, or once every four years if multiple OJP awards include this requirement.

The required training is available free of charge online through the BJA-funded Center for Task Force Integrity and Leadership (www.ctfli.org). The training addresses task force effectiveness, as well as other key issues including privacy and civil liberties/rights, task force performance measurement, personnel selection, and task force oversight and accountability. If award funds are used to support a task force, the recipient must compile and maintain a task force personnel roster, along with course completion certificates.

Additional information regarding the training is available through BJA's web site and the Center for Task Force Integrity and Leadership (www.ctfli.org).



Justification of consultant rate

Approval of this award does not indicate approval of any consultant rate in excess of \$650 per day. A detailed justification must be submitted to and approved by the OJP program office prior to obligation or expenditure of such funds.



The recipient understands that, in accepting this award, the Authorized Representative declares and certifies, among other things, that he or she possesses the requisite legal authority to accept the award on behalf of the recipient entity and, in so doing, accepts (or adopts) all material requirements that relate to conduct throughout the period of performance under this award. The recipient further understands, and agrees, that it will not assign anyone to the role of Authorized Representative during the period of performance under the award without first ensuring that the individual has the requisite legal authority.



Compliance with National Environmental Policy Act and related statutes

Upon request, the recipient (and any subrecipient at any tier) must assist BJA in complying with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the National Historic Preservation Act, and other related federal environmental impact analyses requirements in the use of these award funds, either directly by the recipient or by a subrecipient. Accordingly, the recipient agrees to first determine if any of the following activities will be funded by the grant, prior to obligating funds for any of these purposes. If it is determined that any of the following activities will be funded by the award, the recipient agrees to contact BJA.

The recipient understands that this condition applies to new activities as set out below, whether or not they are being specifically funded with these award funds. That is, as long as the activity is being conducted by the recipient, a subrecipient, or any third party, and the activity needs to be undertaken in order to use these award funds, this condition must first be met. The activities covered by this condition are:

- a. New construction;
- b. Minor renovation or remodeling of a property located in an environmentally or historically sensitive area, including properties located within a 100-year flood plain, a wetland, or habitat for endangered species, or a property listed on or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places;
- c. A renovation, lease, or any proposed use of a building or facility that will either (a) result in a change in its basic prior use or (b) significantly change its size;
- d. Implementation of a new program involving the use of chemicals other than chemicals that are (a) purchased as an incidental component of a funded activity and (b) traditionally used, for example, in office, household, recreational, or education environments; and
- e. Implementation of a program relating to clandestine methamphetamine laboratory operations, including the identification, seizure, or closure of clandestine methamphetamine laboratories.

The recipient understands and agrees that complying with NEPA may require the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement, as directed by BJA. The recipient further understands and agrees to the requirements for implementation of a Mitigation Plan, as detailed at https://bia.gov/Funding/nepa.html, for programs relating to methamphetamine laboratory operations.

Application of This Condition to Recipient's Existing Programs or Activities: For any of the recipient's or its subrecipients' existing programs or activities that will be funded by these award funds, the recipient, upon specific request from BJA, agrees to cooperate with BJA in any preparation by BJA of a national or program environmental assessment of that funded program or activity.



Establishment of trust fund

If award funds are being drawn down in advance, the recipient (or a subrecipient, with respect to a subaward) is required to establish a trust fund account. Recipients (and subrecipients) must maintain advance payments of federal awards in interest-bearing accounts, unless regulatory exclusions apply (2 C.F.R. 200.305(b)(8)). The trust fund, including any interest, may not be used to pay debts or expenses incurred by other activities beyond the scope of the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG). The recipient also agrees to obligate the award funds in the trust fund (including any interest earned) during the period of performance for the award and expend within 90 days thereafter. Any unobligated or unexpended funds, including interest earned, must be returned to OJP at the time of closeout.



All State and Local JAG recipients must submit quarterly Federal Financial Reports (SF-425). Additionally, State JAG and Local JAG Category Two (\$25K or more) must submit semi-annual performance reports through JustGrants and Local JAG Category One (Less than \$25K) must submit annual performance reports through JustGrants. Consistent with the Department's responsibilities under the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) and the GPRA Modernization Act of 2010, the recipient must provide

data that measure the results of its work. The recipient must submit quarterly performance metrics reports through BJA's Performance Measurement Tool (PMT) website (www.bjaperformancetools.org). For more detailed information on reporting and other JAG requirements, refer to the JAG reporting requirements webpage. Failure to submit required JAG reports by established deadlines may result in the freezing of grant funds and future High Risk designation.

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Required data on law enforcement agency training

Any law enforcement agency receiving direct or sub-awarded funding from this JAG award must submit quarterly accountability metrics data related to training that officers have received on the use of force, racial and ethnic bias, de-escalation of conflict, and constructive engagement with the public.

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Expenditures prohibited without waiver

No funds under this award may be expended on the purchase of items prohibited by the JAG program statute, unless, as set forth at 34 U.S.C. 10152, the BJA Director certifies that extraordinary and exigent circumstances exist, making such expenditures essential to the maintenance of public safety and good order.

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Authorization to obligate (federal) award funds to reimburse certain project costs incurred on or after October 1, 2021

The recipient may obligate (federal) award funds only after the recipient makes a valid acceptance of the award. As of the first day of the period of performance for the award (October 1, 2021), however, the recipient may choose to incur project costs using non-federal funds, but any such project costs are incurred at the recipient's risk until, at a minimum-- (1) the recipient makes a valid acceptance of the award, and (2) all applicable withholding conditions are removed by OJP (via an Award Condition Modification (ACM)). (A withholding condition is a condition in the award document that precludes the recipient from obligating, expending, or drawing down all or a portion of the award funds until the condition is removed.)

Except to the extent (if any) that an award condition expressly precludes reimbursement of project costs incurred "at-risk," if and when the recipient makes a valid acceptance of this award and OJP removes each applicable withholding condition through an Award Condition Modification (ACM), the recipient is authorized to obligate (federal) award funds to reimburse itself for project costs incurred "at-risk" earlier during the period of performance (such as project costs incurred prior to award acceptance or prior to removal of an applicable withholding condition), provided that those project costs otherwise are allowable costs under the award.

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If award funds are used for DNA testing of evidentiary materials, any resulting eligible DNA profiles must be uploaded to the Combined DNA Index System ("CODIS," the DNA database operated by the FBI) by a government DNA laboratory with access to CODIS. No profiles generated under this award may be entered or uploaded into any non-governmental DNA database without prior express written approval from BJA. Award funds may not be used for the purchase of DNA equipment and supplies unless the resulting DNA profiles may be accepted for entry into CODIS. Booking agencies should work with their state CODIS agency to ensure all requirements are met for participation in Rapid DNA (see National Rapid DNA Booking Operational Procedures Manual).

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Recipients utilizing award funds for forensic genealogy testing must adhere to the United States Department

of Justice Interim Policy Forensic Genealogical DNA Analysis and Searching (https://www.justice.gov/olp/page/file/1204386/download), and must collect and report the metrics identified in Section IX of that document to BJA.

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Submission of eligible records relevant to the National Instant Background Check System

Consonant with federal statutes that pertain to firearms and background checks -- including 18 U.S.C. 922 and 34 U.S.C. ch. 409 -- if the recipient (or any subrecipient at any tier) uses this award to fund (in whole or in part) a specific project or program (such as a law enforcement, prosecution, or court program) that results in any court dispositions, information, or other records that are "eligible records" (under federal or State law) relevant to the National Instant Background Check System (NICS), or that has as one of its purposes the establishment or improvement of records systems that contain any court dispositions, information, or other records that are "eligible records" (under federal or State law) relevant to the NICS, the recipient (or subrecipient, if applicable) must ensure that all such court dispositions, information, or other records that are "eligible records" (under federal or State law) relevant to the NICS are promptly made available to the NICS or to the "State" repository/database that is electronically available to (and accessed by) the NICS, and -- when appropriate -- promptly must update, correct, modify, or remove such NICS-relevant "eligible records".

In the event of minor and transitory non-compliance, the recipient may submit evidence to demonstrate diligent monitoring of compliance with this condition (including subrecipient compliance). DOJ will give great weight to any such evidence in any express written determination regarding this condition.

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Prohibition on use of award funds for match under BVP program

JAG funds may not be used as the 50% match for purposes of the DOJ Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) program.

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Certification of body armor "mandatory wear" policies, and compliance with NIJ standards

If recipient uses funds under this award to purchase body armor, the recipient must submit a signed certification that each law enforcement agency receiving body armor purchased with funds from this award has a written "mandatory wear" policy in effect. The recipient must keep signed certifications on file for any subrecipients planning to utilize funds from this award for ballistic-resistant and stab-resistant body armor purchases. This policy must be in place for at least all uniformed officers before any funds from this award may be used by an agency for body armor. There are no requirements regarding the nature of the policy other than it be a mandatory wear policy for all uniformed officers while on duty.

Ballistic-resistant and stab-resistant body armor purchased with award funds may be purchased at any threat level, make or model, from any distributor or manufacturer, as long as the body armor has been tested and found to comply with applicable National Institute of Justice ballistic or stab standards, and is listed on the NIJ Compliant Body Armor Model List. In addition, ballistic-resistant and stab-resistant body armor purchased must be made in the United States and must be uniquely fitted, as set forth in 34 U.S.C. 10202(c)(1)(A). The latest NIJ standard information and the NIJ Compliant Body Armor List may be found by following the links located on the NIJ Body Armor page: https://nij.ojp.gov/topics/equipment-and-technology/body-armor

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Body armor - impact on eligibility for other program funds

The recipient understands that the use of funds under this award for purchase of body armor may impact eligibility for funding under the Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) program, a separate program operated by BJA, pursuant to the BVP statute at 34 USC 10531(c)(5).

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Extreme risk protection programs funded by JAG must include, at a minimum; pre-deprivation and postdeprivation due process rights that prevent any violation or infringement of the Constitution of the United States, including but not limited to the Bill of Rights, and the substantive or procedural due process rights guaranteed under the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments to the Constitution of the United States, as applied to the States, and as interpreted by State courts and United States courts (including the Supreme Court of the United States). Such programs must include, at the appropriate phase to prevent any violation of constitutional rights, at minimum, notice, the right to an in-person hearing, an unbiased adjudicator, the right to know opposing evidence, the right to present evidence, and the right to confront adverse witnesses; the right to be represented by counsel at no expense to the government; pre-deprivation and post-deprivation heightened evidentiary standards and proof which mean not less than the protections afforded to a similarly situated litigant in Federal court or promulgated by the State's evidentiary body, and sufficient to ensure the full protections of the Constitution of the United States, including but not limited to the Bill of Rights, and the substantive and procedural due process rights guaranteed under the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments to the Constitution of the United States, as applied to the States, and as interpreted by State courts and United States courts (including the Supreme Court of the United States). The heightened evidentiary standards and proof under such programs must, at all appropriate phases to prevent any violation of any constitutional right, at minimum, prevent reliance upon evidence that is unsworn or unaffirmed, irrelevant, based on inadmissible hearsay, unreliable, vaque, speculative, and lacking a foundation; and penalties for abuse of the program.

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The recipient agrees that no funds under this grant award (including via subcontract or subaward, at any tier) may be used for unmanned aircraft systems (UAS), which includes unmanned aircraft vehicles (UAV), or for any accompanying accessories to support UAS.

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Initial period of performance; requests for extension.

The recipient understands that for award amounts of less than \$25,000 under JAG (Category 1), the initial period of performance of the award is two years. The recipient further understands that any requests for an extension of the period of performance for an award of less than \$25,000 will be approved automatically for up to a total of two additional years, pursuant to 34 U.S.C. 10152(f) and in accordance with the program solicitation associated with this award.

Any request for an extension of the period of performance beyond a four-year award period will require approval, and the approval (if any) will be at the discretion of the Director of BJA.



BJA- JAG - Withholding of Funds for MOU

Withholding of funds: Memorandum of Understanding

The recipient may not expend or draw down any award funds until OJP has reviewed and approved the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), and an Award Condition Modification has been issued to remove this condition.

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BJA- JAG - Withholding of Funds for Chief Executive Certification

Withholding of funds: Required certification from the chief executive of the applicant government

The recipient may not expend or draw down any award funds until the recipient submits the required

"Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government," properly-executed (as determined by OJP), and an Award Condition Modification has been issued to remove this condition.

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I have read and understand the information presented in this section of the Federal Award Instrument.

#### Award Acceptance

#### Declaration and Certification to the U.S. Department of Justice as to Acceptance

By checking the declaration and certification box below, I--

- A. Declare to the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), under penalty of perjury, that I have authority to make this declaration and certification on behalf of the applicant.
- B. Certify to DOJ, under penalty of perjury, on behalf of myself and the applicant, to the best of my knowledge and belief, that the following are true as of the date of this award acceptance: (1) I have conducted or there was conducted (including by applicant's legal counsel as appropriate and made available to me) a diligent review of all terms and conditions of, and all supporting materials submitted in connection with, this award, including any assurances and certifications (including anything submitted in connection therewith by a person on behalf of the applicant before, after, or at the time of the application submission and any materials that accompany this acceptance and certification); and (2) I have the legal authority to accept this award on behalf of the applicant.
- C. Accept this award on behalf of the applicant.
- D. Declare the following to DOJ, under penalty of perjury, on behalf of myself and the applicant: (1) I understand that, in taking (or not taking) any action pursuant to this declaration and certification, DOJ will rely upon this declaration and certification as a material representation; and (2) I understand that any materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent information or statement in this declaration and certification (or concealment or omission of a material fact as to either) may be the subject of criminal prosecution (including under 18 U.S.C. §§ 1001 and/or 1621, and/or 34 U.S.C. §§ 10271-10273), and also may subject me and the applicant to civil penalties and administrative remedies under the federal False Claims Act (including under 31 U.S.C. §§ 3729-3730 and/or §§ 3801-3812) or otherwise.

#### Agency Approval

Title of Approving Official

Name of Approving Official

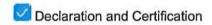
Signed Date And Time

Deputy Assistant Attorney

Maureen Henneberg

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## **Entity Acceptance**

Title of Authorized Entity Official Chief of Police

Name of Authorized Entity Official Paco Balderrama

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## Application

#### PROPOSAL NARRATIVE

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The County of Fresno encompasses 6,000 square miles of Central California with a diversity of terrain that varies from open farmlands of the western county to rugged mountain peaks of over 11,000 feet to the east in the Sierra Nevada Mountain range. The State Department of Finance estimates the total population of Fresno County is 1,011,273 for 2022, an increase of 0.2% over 2021, making it the tenth most populous county in California. By geographic size it is the sixth largest county in California and is home to the fifth largest city in the State of California possessing the same name. Nestled in the heart of the Central San Joaquin Valley, Fresno County is rich with agriculture. The City of Fresno has an estimated total population of 546,770 and is made up of 115.21 square miles. Coupled with the smaller neighboring City of Clovis, these two cities make up over 65% of the county's entire population.

#### STATEMENT OF THE PROBLEM

The City of Fresno has certainly endured tough times throughout the previous nine years. In 2012, at the height of the economic downturn, the City ofFresno's budget had been decreased by \$238,854,100 in just four years and the workforce decreased by 22%. This included the loss of over 265 police department employees through layoffs, retirement, and attrition. In 2010, the City of Fresno employed 849 police officers. Today that number is 888 sworn personnel. The hiring of police officers has been prioritized to fill the department's authorized sworn positions. After two years of struggling with officer vacancies and stagnant hiring, the department is turning the corner and rapidly adding to its ranks.

With recent legislation changes including Proposition 47, Proposition 57 and Assembly Bill 109, law enforcement has seen a drastic increase in the need for additional police officers as well as additional resources to combat the release of prison and jail populations onto our city streets. The release of habitual offenders coupled with jail overcrowding has put a greater

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demand on our agency to ensure the safety of our residents. In addition, the zero-bail policy implemented by the State of California during the COVID-19 pandemic has made it difficult for jails to keep suspects in custody who have been arrested for non-violent and violent crimes. It is the mission of our department, along with the Fresno County Sheriff's Office, to preserve the trust of our community by providing a safe and secure place to work and live. With the augmentation of grant funding, our agencies can take leaps forward to improve the quality of life for the citizens in our County and provide valuable law enforcement resources to draw from, as well as support the JAG specific area of promoting public trust between communities and criminal justice agencies.

The critical economic situation in the Fresno region has severely impacted the ability to address crime and continues to present an even more critical need to maintain and acquire necessary tools, communication technologies, and safety equipment for our complementof sworn officers. Prior to COVID-19 our fiscal situation showed continued improvement; however, the lack of hiring over the last nine years remains a grave concern for our agencies and with the recent issues facing our country today, this will remain a concernfor years to come. With less sworn officers on the streets, yet an increased number of calls for service, the need to ensure each officer is adequately equipped is even more critical for their safety as well as the community in which they serve. In addition, with the recent passage of Safer Streets for All Act in the State of California, which decriminalizes loitering in a public place with the "intent" to engage in sex work. This new Act will ultimately reduce the department's ability to apprehend pimps for pimping and pandering and provide services to those victims who are "human trafficking victims" and bring suspects who are exploiting them to justice.

With the help of the Fresno County Sheriff's Office, the Fresno Police Department (FPD) acting as the fiscal agent will be responsible for implementing this project. FPD has a long history

of success with large grant funded projects. We are confident that we can successfully meet the goals and objectives of the 2022 Justice Assistance Grant project.

According to the FBI Crime Index for the City of Fresno, from 2012 to 2014, violent crime had consistently dropped at a rate of 7% each year and property crime has fallen between 6% and 12%. However, in 2015 we saw increases in violent crimes across the board and in 2016 violent crime showed a decrease of 75% from 2015. In subsequent years, overall violent crime showed a decrease compared to 2014 with decreases in homicides, forcible rape, robberies, and slight increases in aggravated assaults. In a January through June 2021 comparison, willful homicides experienced an increase of 53% compared to the same time period as 2020; shootings showed an increase of 78% for this period; and aggravated assaults during this same time period marked an increase as well. We have taken many strides towards the reduction of crime in our city in the past six years, however, our organization has a long way to go to further ensure the safety our of officers and the community; thereby resulting in the need to look for additional resources to protect our officers and better serve our citizens. In the prior ten to eleven years, due to reductions in staff and the economic downturn, rebuilding our organization to meet public need has been showing improvement. The department has made it a priority to hire 120 officers over the next 15 months. This pledge started in FY 2022 and has continued into FY 2023. We have used non-traditional methods for recruit including partnering with the military in hiring those who are leaving the military and still want to serve their community. In addition, due to exceptional training and mentorship within our department, we hope to close the gap and harness energetic new officers. These officers will allow us to continue our focused policing strategies on gang eradication, proactive enforcement, and prevention efforts. Coupled with support from our community, we can curb the uptick in criminal activity on our streets.

Like other law enforcement agencies, we are facing challenges brought on by current

economic conditions, the looming recession debate, and new legislation in place to relieve the stress on California's prison system. As a result, we have had to implement significant organizational changes to meet community needs with fewer resources. Priorities have been modified, staff members have been reassigned, and department operations have been restructured. These economic constraints, combined with other issues, such as parole reform and the early release of prisoners, have required us to focus our resources on our highest priority duties. Funding priorities surround the need to augment existing programs with equipment, supplies and services to ensure that these programs are a success.

The Sheriff's Office is responsible for the apprehension of criminal suspects for crimes committed in the unincorporated areas of Fresno County, providing judicial protection, bailiff services, public screening, court security and the operation of jail facilities for the County. Criminal justice programs have become increasingly dependent on the award of grant funds to augment many basic law enforcement needs. As State and Federal funds continue to decline, local agencies struggle to fund law enforcement programs related to criminal justice. The lack of funding for law enforcement equipment becomes a greater concern for citizen and officer safety.

A disparity exists between the City of Fresno and the County of Fresno, as certified by the Bureau of Justice Assistance. Per a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) by and between the City and County of Fresno, the City of Fresno has been named fiscal agent for the purpose of this grant funding. Funding is allocated and determined by the JAG formula.

A key component of the department is fiscal responsibility and professional standards to ensure effective and timely service to the community is met while adhering to the highest industry standards of law enforcement. Fiduciary responsibilities are essential to our success. The Fresno Police Department's Grants Management Unit (GMU) oversees the fiscal, programmatic, and compliance policies/procedures associated with grant funding and local government.

# Funding allocated for the City of Fresno:

The overall mission is to "enhance safety, service and trust with our community and to serve our community with honesty, compassion and respect." This becomes more challenging as local agencies have endured drastic budget cuts and staff reductions while serving in economically challenged communities. This agency continues to need equipment and supplies to combat crime and to ensure the safety of our sworn officers and the community they have vowed by to to support our law enforcement officers, reduce liability, and ensure adequate equipment is available. JAG funding will fund new and replacement ballistic vests for our sworn officers, safety equipment and protective clothing for our Traffic Bureau, purchase and repair of portable radios used by our sworn personnel, operational costs for our Air Support Unit (Skywatch), unforeseen and critical operations costs for the K-9 Unit and ammunition including less lethal for use by our sworn personnel during their quarterly and annual certified training.

Our agency has implemented a mandatory wear policy for ballistic vests and a five-year life cycle for each vest as recommended by the manufacturer. Ballistic vests are a fundamental piece of equipment and when utilized can be a matter of life or death. In our current culture lethal weapons are prevalent within our society and in many cases are in the wrong hands. This extra layer of protection that a ballistic vest can provide for an officer is not only smart, but necessary. All new officers will receive a new ballistic vest that is met with current standards and fitted to the individual. Also, every officer's vest is on a documented five-year life cycle andis replaced then. With sworn officers, purchasing new vests occurs monthly for our department. Grant funding to augment our purchases and this program is essential to meet the demand and the needs of officers.

Riding a police motorcycle exposes the officer to environmental hazards that are not usually experienced by those officers operating a patrol car. To combat this, we provide our motor officers, in our Traffic Bureau, with the best safety equipment available to lessen their exposure to these hazards. Our motorcycle officers are provided with mid-calf length, leather riding boots to protect their lower legs from road debris and vehicle fluid. Their pants are doublelayered riding breeches, designed to protect the wearer from road lacerations in the event of a fall. We issue an Arai law enforcement version, 3/4 motorcycle helmet that is both DOT and SNELL compliant. Also provided to each motorcycle officers are a pair of leather riding gloves that are designed to protect the officer's hands in the event of an unintended dismount. Our cold weather gear consists of both a leather jacket as well as a nylon jacket. The nylon jacket comes equipped with Kevlar panels sewn into the back, elbows, and shoulders. Although these panels are not designed to be bullet resistant, they are designed to protect against serious injury if the rider comes in contact with the roadway. The designed thickness of the leather jacket is such that it accomplishes the same task as the nylon jacket's ballistic panels. Lastly, each officer is issued a pair of cold weather gloves to protect the officers' hands from the winter environment. We realize that it is impossible to completely protect a motorcycle officer from the inherit hazards he or she faces when riding a police motorcycle, but by providing this safety equipment we hope to decrease the chances of serious injury.

Another crucial piece of equipment that officers rely on daily is a portable radio. These communication devices are the officer's lifeline when handling calls for service, special tactical operations, and virtually any function that a police officer is responsible for. Without this vital piece of equipment, the ability to conduct their day-to-day activities safely and efficiently would be impossible. Funding for new radios, parts to maintain existing radios, and accessories are essential and a top priority for our agency.

JAG funding is also being requested for our Air Support Unit, named "Skywatch" to provide operational costs in order to conduct patrol, special surveillance, photo missions, site surveys, which include homeland security operatives and tactical flight operations. Fuel costs have drastically increased and costs to operate Skywatch have exceeded existing resources. The helicopter parts and repair costs are expensive, due to the nature of the equipment. Budget reductions in funding for this unit will not cover all the costs of operations and maintenance, therefore a need for grant augmentation exists.

The Fresno Police Department's K-9 Unit typically incurs costs that are unforeseen and/or over existing resources allocated within general fund dollars. Grant funding will allow for those unanticipated and additional operational costs, such as purchase new dogs for the replacement of aging or retiring canines, veterinary costs, feed and/or professional service as needed. Resources such as our Air Support Unit and K-9 Unit are vital to our organization and overall mission.

The Fresno Police Department is certified by the State of California's Commission on Peace Officer Standards & Training (POST) to present over 40 courses to law enforcement statewide. Many of our courses are offered in conjunction with the Fresno City College Police Academy. The Fresno Police Department Training Unit and state-of-the-art Regional Training Center provides on an average, 40,000 hours of tactical and safe emergency vehicle operations training to department members on an annual basis. Half of these hours utilize tactical training along with a live fire range training component to better enhance firearm operations and tactics for our department members. Statistics have shown that firearm skills are perishable and only through repetitive and enhanced training can you sustain these skills. The purchase of ammunition will ensure our department members viable sustainability of these fundamental skills. Funding for ammunition will enhance the safety of our officers as they participate in ongoing police training to include

qualifications, perishable skills training, and special unit training. All members of the agency must demonstrate proficiency with each weapon issued, prior to being authorized to carry the weapon in the field. This is a critical safety training component for all sworn officers.

Both agencies have acknowledged the mandated NIBRS compliance carve out. Both FPD and FSO are dedicated to continuing to become NIBRS compliance and state certified.

# Funding allocated for the County of Fresno:

The Fresno County Sheriff-Coroner's Office-Public Administrator's Office is a full-Service Law Enforcement Agency with a tradition of providing professional law enforcement services to the people of Fresno County including both metropolitan and rural policing. The varied law enforcement services include patrol, investigations, crime scene evaluation, emergency and disaster operation management, search and rescue operations, prevention and intervention programs, court services, detention, and rehabilitation programs. The Sheriff is the Mutual Aid Coordinator for all law enforcement agencies within Fresno County as well as for the Central Valley region of Office of Emergency Services (OES).

The Sheriff's Office operates five substations and three detention facilities that house and care for a maximum population of 3,274 inmates. The Sheriff's Office delivers field services to county residents from four rural substations, which utilize Community Oriented Policing methods to better serve the community. The coroner is mandated to determine manner and causeof death; to inquire into the circumstances of unusual or unattended deaths; homicides, suicides, and accidental deaths; deaths due to contagious disease; deaths in prisons or jails and state mental facilities; to identify the deceased and notify next of kin; and to act as the County burial authority in burying the indigent or abandoned dead. The Public Administrator is legallymandated to serve in a fiduciary capacity to provide professional estate management and making final arrangements for Fresno County residents who die without a will or any known relatives able or willing to act

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on the decedent's behalf to manage and resolve the estate.

Criminal justice programs have become increasingly dependent on the award of grant funds to augment many basic law enforcement needs. As State and Federal funds continue to decline, local agencies struggle to fund law enforcement programs related to criminal justice. The lack of funding for law enforcement equipment becomes a greater concern for citizen safety as well as officer safety.

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) program will enable the Sheriff's Office to purchase an OSCR360 Crime Scene Preservation System for the Crime Scene Unit that will be used to improve the quality, timeliness, and credibility of forensic science services, for criminal justice purposes, with emphasis on violent crime and serious offenders and provide additional equipment for the more widespread apprehension, prosecution, adjudications, and detention of persons who violate these laws.

Funding will be used to procure a cell phone mitigation technology and access system as permitted by applicable law that will allow the Fresno County Jail to detect illegal cell phone(s) that are brought into the Sheriff's Jail facilities to use to further criminal activities. The technology advances will support the prevention, detecting, seizing, and/or stopping the presence and use of contraband cellphones within the correctional facilities. Funds will be utilized to purchase testing computers for law enforcement training that will be directly used in the Sheriff's new hiring program and training module that will attract, hire, and retain a diverse mix of college educated law enforcement professions to work as accountable law enforcement professions who represent the diverse cultures represented in Fresno County; that will allow the Fresno County Sheriff's Office to support the JAG specific area of supporting efforts to attract and retain an all-inclusive, diverse, expert, and accountable law enforcement workforce.

Funds will enhance law enforcement programs by augmenting equipment needs for the

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Explosives Ordnance Disposal (EOD) unit, and to purchase equipment for ongoing Video

Infrastructure Protection Program (VIPP) needs. The VIPP is a multi-functional video system that
has been developed and installed to provide enhanced law enforcement video system improvement
capabilities for both critical infrastructures within Fresno County as well as to supplement high
profile sites needing law enforcement presence, such as high use recreational areas, designated high
crime locations and target specific locations. Funds will be utilized for law enforcement security
upgrades to enhance the security of the Sheriff Office's headquarters to allow for a safer
environment for all who use the building. The Sheriff's headquarters building is a central point for
citizens of Fresno County to conduct a wide range of law enforcement related activities including
the filing of court orders, civil process functions, records, and reporting, as well as numerous other
activities that requires in person contact between the public and Sheriff's Office. The safety and
security of the public in and around the Sheriff's headquarters buildings is paramount to ensuring
the ability of the citizenry to conduct business with the Sheriff.

# PROJECT DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION

Due to the recent changes in the Legislation in the criminal justice realm, local law enforcement agencies have had to readjust their focus and priorities as it relates to crime fighting strategies all while ensuring the community's safety and trust. Over the last several years, the Fresno Police Department has implemented and enhanced several advisory boards, including but not limited to the Bringing Broken Neighborhoods Back to Life, Police Chief's Advisory Board, Youth Advisory Council, Citizen's Police Academy, Teen Police Academy, Community Engagement Unit, and the Residents Academies (English, Spanish, Hmong, and Sheikh). The participants in these groups are all civilian members of our community (both city and county) and serve many different facets from faith-based, community based or for personal knowledge.

The main goal of these groups is to ensure that we are meeting the needs of our community

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by focusing on community-based policing efforts in promoting and building relationships to enhance officer and public safety. Both sworn and non-sworn (professional staff) department members attend these meetings with the mission of educating and informing the public about how officers do their jobs, why certain equipment and tactics are used, how agencies develop policies and procedures, and how the community can help make their city safe. It is the intent of the Fresno Police Department to continue to engage the community in our crime fighting strategies and seek solutions to reducing crime in our neighborhoods.

The meetings have enabled both the Fresno Police Department and the Fresno County Sheriff's Office to develop and prioritize our funding strategies to ensure we do our best serving the communities utilizing the funding from JAG 2022 in the most efficient manner.

# CAPABILITIES AND COMPETENCIES

Acting as the Fiscal Agent, per MOU and agreed to by all parties, is the City of Fresno Police Department's Grants Management Unit (GMU). The Fresno Police Department is the largest agency in this area and is a professional organization that prides itself on delivering the highest level of quality service and protection to the community. The Department is organized into four divisions with all divisions commanded by a Deputy Chief and management support staff under their direction. The divisions are: Administrative Services Division, Support and Special Services Division, Patrol Division, and Investigations Division. The Grants Management Unit, under the Administrative Services Division, is managed by a Business Manager and employs a Management Analyst II. They are responsible for all oversight of department's grant related activities, and understand the fiduciary responsibility associated with federal, state, and local funding. The Unit has participated in several audits over the years to demonstrate

transparency and accountability for those funds. This Unit will provide the mechanism for separate tracking and reporting of grant expenditures, receivables and ensure timely reporting. Systems are in place to track grant projects separately from general fund expenses and manage subrecipient funding. The Unit currently manages over 15 active grant projects with several covering multiple funding cycles and works closely with the City of Fresno's Budget and Management Office, Finance Department as well as Personnel Services to stay compliant with all grant regulations.

# PLAN FOR COLLECTING THE DATA REQUIRED OF THIS SOLICITATION'S PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

To adequately supply data for the project activities of this grant, we will utilize Universal Crime Reports (UCR) data, department-initiated crime analysis and any other necessary means to provide accurate data in a timely fashion. The Fresno Police Department is one of three agencies in the State that have been deemed National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS) compliant, however, we are still waiting for the final certification document. The State of California Department of Justice is currently verifying our error rate (which has to be less than 3% validation error rate for 3 continuous months). The conversion of our Records Management System (RMS) took place in September 2019. The responsibility of compiling all data and entering it into the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Performance Measurement Tool (PMT) and Just Grants will rest on the Business Manager in the GMU. With the recent change and roll-out of the Justice Assistance Grant Performance Accountability Measures, both the Fresno Police Department and the Fresno Sheriff's Office have had experience with completing this data entry. All data will be vetted through our internal controls to ensure accuracy.

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As law enforcement operations costs increase, local funding resources decline, leaving many necessary resources without financial support. Local law enforcement agencies are economically challenged to find the resources to fund basic tools and equipment necessary in daily operations. This project funding will assist the City and County of Fresno in their shared dedication and determination to make our community safer for its residents.

A. Personnel - N/A

B. Fringe Benefits - N/A

C. Travel - N/A

D. Equipment - \$59,930

The Fresno Sherriff's Office is requesting funding to purchase a OSCR360 Crime Scene Preservation System that is estimated at a one-time cost of \$16,000. The documenting system will be used to improve the quality, timeliness, and credibility of forensic science services, for criminal justice purposes. They are also requesting funding for a Testing Computer for Law Enforcement Training that is estimated at a one-time cost of \$24,000. It will be directly used in the Sheriff's new hiring program and training module that will attract, hire, and retain a diverse mix of college educated law enforcement professionals to work as accountable law enforcement professions who represent the diverse cultures represented in Fresno County. And lastly an equipment request for a Law Enforcement Security Upgrades that is estimated at a one-time cost \$19,930. It will be used to enhance the security of the Sheriff Headquarter Office's entryways to allow for a safer environment for all who use the building.

E. Supplies - \$245,382

Ammunition purchases will ensure that Fresno Police Department members have the equipment necessary to sustain the required skills through adequate training. The Training Unit provides on average 55,000 hours of tactical training to sworn department members on an annual basis. During half of these hours, they participate in tactical training utilizing live fire range simulations to enhance firearm usage, accuracy and safety for all sworn officers and members of the community. Statistics have shown that shooting is a perishable skill that requires repetitive and periodic training to maintain this skill. The purchase of ammunition will ensure our department members have the

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equipment necessary to maintain these skills. Ammunition will be utilized to conduct ongoing police training for our officers including qualifications, perishable skills training, special unit training, and SWAT tactical training.

# Total Cost for Ammunition - \$53,932

Safety equipment and/or supplies are needed to continue to support officers working in special units such as Special Weapons And Tactics (SWAT), Traffic Bureau, Bicycle Patrol, Mobile Field Force (MFF), Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Unit, and Special Response Teams (SRT). This may include safety equipment such as tactical vests, motorcycle helmets, protective equipment, weapons, and accessories. Not only does this equipment allow officers to conduct their assigned duties, but it provides them with the tools to enhance their capabilities in a safe and effective manner. The Fresno Police Department's Traffic Bureau officers require specialized uniforms and boots for their safety when operating their police issued motorcycle. These uniforms are different than and in addition to the uniforms worn by patrol officers. The cost of these uniforms is not part of the city's budget nor part of the officer's uniform allowance but are essential safety equipment for those officers that are assigned a motorcycle. JAG funding allows our department to provide essential safety equipment to those officers assigned to special units that is not budgeted in the City's general fund.

# Total Cost for Safety Equipment - \$12,750

The Air Support Unit or "Skywatch" patrol was at risk of being grounded this next fiscal year without additional funding to support their services. However, with various outside resources, such as JAG funding we will be able to continue the use of our air patrol to assist officers on the ground with daily coverage. The funding will provide maintenance and operations costs in order to

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conduct patrol, special surveillance operations, photo missions, and site surveys of incidents. Fuel costs have drastically increased recently and costs to operate Skywatch has exceeded existing resource capabilities to financially sustain the program without additional support. It may be necessary to purchase or repair other parts for our Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR) devices on each helicopter. The FLIR is a "heat-seeking device" the helicopter observer uses to track suspects on the ground from the air. Helicopter parts are expensive and are increasing due to the technology and nature of the equipment needed.

# Total Cost for Skywatch Operations - \$95,700

Funding for our ballistic vest program is also being requested. Our agency has implemented a mandatory wear policy for ballistic vests and a five-year life cycle for each vest as recommended by the manufacturer. Ballistic vests are a fundamental piece of equipment and whether utilized or not can be a matter of life or death. All new officers will receive a new ballistic vest that meets current standards and is fitted to the individual. Also, every officer's vest is on a documented five-year life cycle and is replaced then. Grant funding will be utilized to augment current funding for this program and is essential to meet the demand and the needs of officers.

# Total Cost for Ballistic Vests - \$35,000

Another crucial piece of equipment that officers rely on daily is a portable radio. These communication devices are the officer's lifeline when handling calls for service, special tactical operations, and virtually any function that a police officer is responsible for. Without this vital piece of equipment, the ability to conduct their day-to-day activities safely and efficiently would

be impossible. Funding for new radios, parts to maintain existing radios, and accessories are essential and a top priority for our agency.

# Total Cost of Radio Equipment - \$12,000

Fresno County Sherriff is requesting funding for a jail cellphone mitigation system that is estimated at a one-time cost of \$2,000. The system will allow the Fresno County Jail to detect illegal cell phone(s) that are brought into the jail facilities to use to further criminal activities. A significant portion of the supply funding will enable the Fresno County Sheriff-Coroner's Office to enhance law enforcement programs to upgrade safety equipment and supplies for the EOD Unit and supplies for the Video Infrastructure Protection Program (VIPP). This funding will allow the EOD Unit to work in the Homeland Security environment to conduct law enforcement operations within the United States. None of the funds will be expended for explosives. The EOD Unit conducts training on a regular basis, which requires the use of a variety of safety equipment to maintain the required expertise. The Fresno Sheriff-Coroner's Office provides tactical response assistance to most of the agencies within the county as well as other agencies outside the county. The upgrading of equipment is an ongoing endeavor needed to insure the safe and efficient operation of this unit in a manner that provides protection and security to the public.

# Total Cost of Jail Cell Phone Mitigation - \$2,000

# Total Cost of EOD Unit Equipment and Supplies - \$10,000

The County of Fresno will utilize funding to augment the Video Infrastructure Protection Program (VIPP) to purchase cameras, radios, related technical equipment, and installation costs in order to expand the functional use of the video system for the VIPP Program. The VIPP is a multifunctional video system that has been developed and installed to provide enhanced law enforcement video surveillance capabilities for critical infrastructure within Fresno County (dams,

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power facilities, government buildings, major agriculture sites, etc.). VIPP will also serve to supplement high profile sites needing law enforcement presence, such as high use recreational areas, designated high crime locations and target specific locations.

Total Cost for Video Infrastructure Protection Program - \$24,000

# F. Construction - N/A

# G. Consultant/Contracts - N/A

# H. Other - \$19,900

Unfortunately, many of our existing canines are reaching an age of retirement and will need to be replaced. These funds will allow for the replacement of a police canine and the necessary training to prepare the dog and handler for patrol operations and training updates. Patrol canines typically incur costs that are unforeseen and are over existing resources, therefore additional operational costs, such as veterinary costs, feed and professional services may be needed.

# Total Cost of Police Canine (FPD) - \$13,000

As per the mandatory carve out identified in the application, we intend to utilize funding for training purposes associated with NIBRS compliance. In 2017, the Fresno Police Department entered into a partnership with Axon Enterprises, Inc. to develop a cloud-based Records Management System (RMS), to replace our antiquated Data 911 technology. Significant progress has been made to date and we are in the testing phase of the project. The new RMS system went live for all personnel in September 2019 catapulting our agency into a technology rich RMS environment that will enable the department to integrate with NIBRS reporting seamlessly, ensuring our compliance before the 2021 deadline. Though this system is designed to be user friendly, there will be an element of training that will be needed.

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We intend to use JAG funding to pay our RMS transition team consisting of sworn officers and sergeants, overtime to provide hands on instruction in the field for NIBRS entry. This team will schedule training for officers in the field according to their shift, as well as each special unit to include night detectives, day detectives, Records and Dispatch personnel shifts. Approximately 100 hours of training will be needed.

# Total Cost of FPD NIBRS Compliance Training - \$6,900

The Fresno County Sheriff's Office is currently working towards NIBRS compliance with the recent purchase and implementation of a new Computer Aided Dispatch/Records Management System/Jail Management System. This new system will integrate with NIBRS reporting and start the certification process through the State of California. To do so, the mandated carve out of 3% of the County's JAG funding allocation will be utilized for hardware, software, or training costs necessary for implementation.

Total Cost of FSO NIBRS Compliance - \$-0-

# I. Indirect Costs - N/A

Category	Budget		
A. Personnel	N/A		
B. Fringe Benefits	N/A		
C. Travel	N/A		
D. Equipment	\$59,930		
E. Supplies	\$245,382		
F. Construction	N/A		
G. Consultants/Contracts	N/A		
H. Other	\$19,900		
Total Direct Costs	\$325,212		
I. Indirect Costs	N/A		
FOTAL PROJECT COSTS	\$325,212		

# Solicitation

U.S. Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs Bureau of Justice Assistance



# BJA FY 2022 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program — Local Solicitation

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#### Overview

The <u>U.S. Department of Justice</u> (DOJ), <u>Office of Justice Programs</u> (OJP), <u>Bureau of Justice Assistance</u> (BJA) seeks applications for funding for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program. This program furthers the DOJ's mission by assisting local and tribal law criminal justice efforts to prevent or reduce crime and violence and to improve the administration of the criminal justice system.

This solicitation incorporates the <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u> by reference. The OJP Grant Application Resource Guide provides guidance to applicants to prepare and submit applications to OJP for funding. If this solicitation expressly modifies any provision in the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide, the applicant is to follow the guidelines in this solicitation as to that provision.

This solicitation expressly modifies the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide by not incorporating the "Limitation on Use of Award Funds for Employee Compensation; Waiver" provisions in the "Financial Information" section of the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide.

# Solicitation Categories

Competition ID	Category *	Number of Awards	Dollar Amount for Award	Performance Start Date	Performance Duration (Months)
C-BJA-2022-00154-PROD	Category 1 - Applicants with eligible allocation amounts of less than \$25,000	618	\$9,450,338.00	10/1/21 12:00 AM	24
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#### Eligible Applicants:

City or township governments, County governments, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), Special district governments, Other

#### Other

By law, for purposes of the JAG Program, the term "units of local government" includes a town, township, village, parish, city, county, borough, or other general-purpose political subdivision of a state; or it may be a federally recognized American Indian tribal government that performs law enforcement functions (as determined by the Secretary of the Interior). A unit of local government also may be any law enforcement district or judicial enforcement district established under applicable state law with authority to independently establish a budget and impose taxes; for example, in Louisiana, a unit of local government means a district attorney or parish sheriff. The eligible allocations by state for the fiscal year (FY) 2022 JAG Program can be found at: https://bja.ojp.gov/program/jag/fy-2022-allocations.

Eligible allocations under JAG are posted annually on the <u>JAG web page</u>. See the allocation determination and "Units of Local Government" requirements section for more information. **Applicants with eligible allocation amounts of less than \$25,000 will apply to Category 1, and applicants with eligible allocation amounts of \$25,000 or more will apply to Category 2.** 

All recipients and subrecipients (including any for-profit organization) must forgo any profit or management fee.

#### Contact Information

For technical assistance with submitting the Application for Federal Assistance standard form (SF)-424 and a Disclosure of Lobbying Activities form (SF-LLL) in Grants.gov, contact the Grants.gov Customer Support Hotline at 800-518-4726, 606-545-5035, Grants.gov customer support, or support@grants.gov. The Grants.gov Support Hotline operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, except on federal holidays.

For technical assistance with submitting the **full application** in DOJ's Justice Grants System (JustGrants), contact the JustGrants Service Desk at 833-872-5175 or <u>JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov</u>. The JustGrants Service Desk operates 5 a.m. to 9 p.m. eastern time Monday–Friday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sunday, and federal holidays.

For assistance with any other requirements of this solicitation, contact the OJP Response Center by telephone at 800-851-3420 or TTY: 301-240-6310 (hearing impaired only), or by email at <a href="mailto:grants@ncjrs.gov">grants@ncjrs.gov</a>. The OJP Response Center hours of operation are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. eastern time Monday–Friday, and 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on the solicitation close date.

#### **Submission Information**

Applications will be submitted to DOJ in two steps:

<u>Step 1</u>: The applicant must submit by the Grants.gov deadline the required Application for Federal Assistance standard form (SF)-424 and a Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (SF-LLL) form when they register in Grants.gov at <a href="https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/register.html">https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/register.html</a>. To register in Grants.gov, the applicant will need to ensure that its System for Award Management (SAM) registration is current.

<u>Step 2</u>: The applicant must then submit the **full application**, including attachments, in JustGrants at <a href="https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/">https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/</a>. To be considered timely, the full application must be submitted in JustGrants by the JustGrants application deadline. OJP encourages applicants to review the "How to Apply" section in the <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u> and the <u>JustGrants website</u> for more information, resources, and training.

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#### **Program Description**

#### Overview

OJP is committed to advancing work that promotes civil rights and racial equity, increases access to justice, supports crime victims and individuals impacted by the justice system, strengthens community safety and protects the public from crime and evolving threats, and builds trust between law enforcement and the community.

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program is the primary provider of federal criminal justice funding to states and units of local government. BJA will award JAG Program funds to eligible units of local government as described in this FY 2022 JAG Program Local Solicitation.

For more information on the JAG Program, please refer to the <u>JAG Fact Sheet</u> and/or <u>JAG Frequently Asked</u> <u>Questions (FAQs)</u>.

**Statutory Authority:** The JAG Program is authorized by Title I of Pub. L. No. 90-351 (generally codified at <u>34 U.S.C. 10151-10726</u>), including subpart 1 of part E (codified at 34 U.S.C. 10151-10158); see also 28 U.S.C. 530C(a).

Specific Information

### Statutory Formula

JAG awards are based on a statutory formula that is fully described within the <u>JAG Technical Report</u>. Once each fiscal year's overall JAG Program funding level is determined, BJA works with the Bureau of Justice Statistics to begin a four-step grant award calculation process, which, in general, consists of:

- Computing an initial JAG allocation for each state, based on its share of violent crime and population (weighted equally).
- 2. Reviewing the initial JAG allocation amount to determine if the state allocation is less than the minimum award amount defined in the JAG legislation (0.25 percent of the total). If this is the case, the state is funded at the minimum level, and the funds required for this are deducted from the overall pool of JAG funds. Each of the remaining states receives the minimum award plus an additional amount based on its share of violent crime and population.
- 3. Dividing each state's final award amount (except for the territories and the District of Columbia) between the state and its units of local governments at rates of 60 and 40 percent, respectively.
- 4. Determining units of local government award allocations, which are based on their proportion of the state's 3-year violent crime average. If the "eligible award amount" for a particular unit of local government, as determined on this basis, is \$10,000 or more, then the unit of local government is eligible to apply directly to OJP (under the JAG Local Solicitation) for a JAG award. If the "eligible award amount" for a particular unit of local government, as determined on this basis, is less than \$10,000, however, the funds are not made available for a direct award to that particular unit of local government, but instead are added to the amount that is awarded to the state

Allocation Determination and Units of Local Government Requirements Regarding Use of JAG Funds Eligible allocations under JAG are posted annually on the JAG web page.

According to the JAG Program statute, a "disparity" may exist between the funding eligibility of a county and its associated municipalities. See 34 U.S.C. § 10156(d)(4). Units of local government identified by BJA as disparate must select a fiscal agent that will submit a joint application for the allocation to include all disparate municipalities. A memorandum of understanding (MOU) that identifies which jurisdiction will serve as the applicant or fiscal agent for joint funds must be completed and signed by the authorized representative for each participating jurisdiction. Once an award is made, the fiscal agent will be responsible for distributing award funds to the other jurisdictions in the disparate group through subawards that include all appropriate award conditions. To verify eligibility on the JAG web page, an applicant should click on its respective state and note the following regarding the state's allocation table:

- Disparate units of local government are listed in shaded groups, in alphabetic order by county. Units of local government identified as disparate must select one unit of local government to submit an application on behalf of the disparate group.
- 2. Counties that have an asterisk (\*) under the "Direct Allocation" column did not submit the level of violent crime data to qualify for a direct award from BJA but are in the disparate grouping indicated by the shaded area. The JAG legislation requires these counties to remain a partner with the local jurisdictions receiving funds and must be a signatory on the required MOU.
- 3. Direct allocations are listed alphabetically below the shaded disparate groupings.

Please note that disparate jurisdictions do not need to abide by the listed individual allocations, which are provided for information only. Jurisdictions in a funding disparity are responsible for determining individual amounts within the Eligible Joint Allocation and documenting individual allocations in the MOU.

# **Statutory Program Areas**

In general, JAG funds awarded to a unit of local government under the FY 2022 program may be used to hire additional personnel and/or purchase equipment, supplies, contractual support, training, technical assistance, and information systems for criminal justice, including for any one or more of the following program areas:

- · Law enforcement programs
- · Prosecution and court programs
- · Prevention and education programs
- Corrections and community corrections programs
- · Drug treatment and enforcement programs
- · Planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs
- Crime victim and witness programs (other than compensation)
- Mental health programs and related law enforcement and corrections programs, including behavioral programs and crisis intervention teams

Note that the statute defines "criminal justice" as "activities pertaining to crime prevention, control, or reduction, or the enforcement of the criminal law, including, but not limited to, police efforts to prevent, control, or reduce crime or to apprehend criminals, including juveniles, activities of courts having criminal jurisdiction, and related agencies (including but not limited to prosecutorial and defender services, juvenile delinquency agencies, and pretrial service or release agencies), activities of corrections, probation, or parole authorities and related agencies assisting in the rehabilitation, supervision, and care of criminal offenders, and programs relating to the prevention, control, or reduction of narcotic addiction and juvenile delinquency."

# **BJA Areas of Emphasis**

BJA recognizes that many state and local criminal justice systems currently face challenging fiscal environments and an important, cost-effective way to relieve those pressures is to share or leverage resources through cooperation among federal, state, and local law enforcement. Key areas of priority for BJA include: Combatting Hate Crime, Promoting Public Trust between Communities and Criminal Justice Agencies, Reducing Violent Crime, Community Violence Intervention (CVI), Addressing COVID-19 Criminal Justice Challenges and Sustaining Innovations, and Crime Analysis and Investigation. BJA encourages each recipient of FY 2022 JAG funds to join federal law enforcement agencies in addressing these challenges. Additional details on the BJA areas of emphasis can be found below:

Combatting Hate Crime: Hate crimes (sometimes called bias-motivated crimes) are criminal offenses motivated by some form of bias toward victims on the basis of their perceived or actual race, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, or disability. As noted in the June 21, 2021, BJA Acting Director Mahoney Letter to JAG State Administering Agency (SAA) Directors and the January 26, 2022, DOJ Associate Attorney General Gupta Letter to SAA Directors, JAG funds may be used to prevent and respond to hate crimes and bias-motivated attacks. BJA encourages JAG recipients to utilize funding to prioritize efforts to identify, investigate, report, and prevent hate crimes and hate incidents; increase public awareness and expand/enhance the reporting of hate crimes; enhance the capacity of law enforcement and prosecutors to prevent and address hate crimes through education, training, and tools to investigate and prosecute hate crime cases; increase collaboration between federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial

(SLTT) law enforcement and prosecution agencies in their investigation and prosecution of hate crimes; assist SLTT law enforcement with training in identifying and classifying hate crimes and update these crimes in their entries in the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS); create state-run hate crime reporting hotlines that direct individuals to law enforcement, if appropriate; and fund victim support services. More information on BJA's hate crimes portfolio, including the <a href="Emmett Till Cold Case">Emmett Till Cold Case</a> <a href="Investigations">Investigations</a> and <a href="Matthew Shepard and James Byrd">Matthew Shepard and James Byrd</a>, Jr. Hate Crimes programs, can be found at <a href="Hate Crime">Hate Crime</a> <a href="Parties Investigations">Investigations</a> and <a href="Matthew Shepard and James Byrd">Matthew Shepard and James Byrd</a>, Jr. Hate Crimes programs, can be found at <a href="Hate Crime">Hate Crime</a> <a href="Parties Investigations">Investigations</a> and <a href="Matthew Shepard and James Byrd">Matthew Shepard and James Byrd</a>, Jr. Hate Crimes programs, can be found at <a href="Hate Crime">Hate Crime</a> <a href="Parties Investigations">Investigations</a> and <a href="Matthew Shepard">Matthew Shepard and James Byrd</a>, Jr. Hate Crimes programs, can be found at <a href="Matthew Shepard">Matthew Shepard and James Byrd</a>, Jr. Hate Crimes programs, can be found at <a href="Matthew Shepard">Matthew Shepard and James Byrd</a>, Jr. Hate Crimes programs are considered for the constant of the con

Promoting Public Trust between Communities and Criminal Justice Agencies: For many communities, recent high profile incidences of excessive uses of force have contributed to strained relationships and a lack of confidence in law enforcement, courts, and prosecutors. Justice system practitioners' ability to address crime and collaborate with the public depends on having trust and legitimacy with the communities they serve. Criminal justice agencies must work together to renew and strengthen relationships with community members and leaders in order to elevate public confidence and trust in law enforcement, the courts, prosecutors, defense counsel, and corrections; reduce crime; and ensure that the rights of all are protected. In his January 21, 2022, remarks to the U.S. Conference of Mayors, Attorney General Garland stated, "...promoting public trust between communities and law enforcement is essential to making both communities and policing safer. The department will continue to fulfill its duty to ensure the constitutional policing practices that promote the accountability necessary to build that public trust." As such, BJA encourages SLTT jurisdictions to utilize JAG funding in support of projects that aim to partner police and community organizations and advance constitutional policing practices that create the transparency and accountability necessary to build public trust. The practices include, but are not limited to: eliminating racial profiling and implicit bias, eliminating excessive force and chokeholds, eliminating "no-knock" warrants in drug cases, eliminating contractual arrangements that prevent investigations of law enforcement misconduct, and prohibiting sexual contact between police and persons in their custody. BJA also encourages SLTT jurisdictions to utilize JAG funding in support of projects that aim to increase trust and confidence in prosecutorial, defense, and court practices such as neighborhood-focused community courts programs and building capacity and tools to protect constitutional rights under the Sixth Amendment.

Reducing Violent Crime: Although the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) <u>Uniform Crime Report</u> (UCR) Crime in the United States publications for 2020 and 2021 are not yet available, there are other indicators to suggest that certain types of violent crime increased in many areas. According to an analysis of 27 cities conducted by the <u>Council on Criminal Justice</u>, incidents of homicide increased 5 percent over 2020, which had already seen a 44 percent increase in homicides over 2019. Also, preliminary data compiled by the <u>National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund (NLEOMF)</u> indicates that as of December 31, 2021, 458 federal, state, tribal, and local law enforcement officers died in the line of duty in 2021. This is an increase of 55 percent from the 295 officers killed during the same period in 2020 and is the highest total line-of-duty officer deaths since 1930 when there were 312 fatalities. In addition, the past year has seen an unprecedented increase in threats of violence against Americans who administer the election process in our country.

In June of 2021, the Biden-Harris Administration announced a <u>Comprehensive Strategy to Prevent and Respond to Gun Crime and Ensure Public Safety</u> to stem the flow of firearms used to commit violence including by holding rogue firearms dealers accountable for violating federal laws; supporting local law enforcement with federal tools and resources to help address summer violent crime; investing in evidence-based community violence interventions; expanding summer programming, employment opportunities, and other services and supports for teenagers and young adults; and helping formerly incarcerated individuals successfully reenter their communities.

Recognizing that violent crime and the drivers of that crime vary from community to community, BJA encourages JAG grantees to invest funds to tailor programs and responses to state and local crime issues through the use of data and analytics; coordinate with United States Attorneys and Project Safe Neighborhoods grantees in order to leverage funding for violence reduction projects, and coordinate their law enforcement activities with those of federal law enforcement agencies such as the FBI, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, the Drug Enforcement Administration, the United States Marshals Service, and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS); and form partnerships with federal, state, and local law enforcement and prosecutors to identify persons who use guns in the commission of a

crime and who purchase or sell guns illegally. This includes ensuring that persons prohibited from purchasing firearms (see e.g.,18 U.S.C. § 922(g)) are deterred from doing so by enhancing complete, accurate, and timely access to the FBI's National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS) and the submission of all necessary records to the FBI databases in a timely fashion, thereby helping to prevent illegal transfers of firearms to those who are prohibited from owning firearms under current law.

In addition, in June 2021, DOJ issued guidance regarding threats against election workers and a <u>task force</u> to address the rise in such threats. BJA also sent a <u>letter to SAA Directors</u> to address the rise in such threats. BJA also sent a letter to SAA Directors clarifying that JAG funds can be used to deter, detect, and protect against threats of violence against election workers, administrators, officials, and others associated with the electoral process. BJA encourages JAG recipients to utilize funds to prevent and respond to violent threats of this kind.

Community Violence Interventions: In April 2021, the Biden-Harris Administration announced historic investments in community violence intervention (CVI) efforts to combat the gun violence epidemic. CVI is an approach that uses evidence-informed strategies to reduce violence through tailored, communitycentered initiatives. These multidisciplinary strategies engage individuals and groups to prevent and disrupt cycles of violence and retaliation and establish relationships between individuals and community assets to deliver services that save lives, address trauma, provide opportunity, and improve the physical, social, and economic conditions that drive violence. CVI strategies typically focus on high risk individuals and gang and gun violence, as well as the historical and structural challenges that often contribute to community violence. CVI strategies should involve holistic, coordinated interventions attending to the multiple needs of individuals at high risk of gang and gun violence. For example, hospital-based violence intervention programs use credible messengers to connect with victims of gun violence while they are still in the hospital, and then wraparound services are typically deployed such as behavioral health supports. employment access, housing advocacy, and family supports. visit https://bja.oip.gov/program/communityviolence-intervention/overview. BJA encourages JAG recipients to invest JAG funds to tailor programs and responses to CVI in an effort to build strong, sustained partnerships with community residents and organizations to support CVI work in communities most impacted by violent crime. CVI strategies will be highlighted on BJA's National Training and Technical Assistance Center (NTTAC) website, and jurisdictions looking to implement those strategies can request training and technical assistance (TTA) on the NTTAC website.

Addressing COVID-19 Criminal Justice Challenges and Sustaining Innovations: As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, SLTT criminal justice agencies implemented various community mitigation policies to prevent and reduce the spread of COVID-19. Courts at every level were forced to cancel or significantly scale back proceedings, which commonly included suspending in-person hearings, granting extensions of court deadlines and waivers of speedy trials, restricting access to court buildings, and postponing jury trials. This created a backlog of cases, which impacted criminal court operations and court staff, victims, and witnesses, as well as defendants. To address backlogs and other consequences of the necessary mitigation policies, SLTT agencies created innovative ways to administer justice. While many of these innovations had an up-front cost, they hold significant potential to be cost saving and efficient over time. For example, correctional facilities have enabled virtual programming, education, medical appointments, and family visits, as well as efforts to reduce incarcerated populations. Police departments have hosted virtual community engagement events and opportunities, and courts and community corrections have increased the use of virtual staffing, status hearings, client visits, and access to treatment and support services. In addition, resources have supported the purchase of technology like headsets and Wi-Fi hotspots to ensure confidentiality of defense counsel with clients, as well as partnerships with community partners to host outdoor events like drug court graduations. It is important for SLTT agencies to sustain innovations that improved both the efficiency and effectiveness of justice system operations, and BJA encourages JAG recipients to utilize funds for continued innovation sustainment activities and to continue to address the backlog of cases. This could include the purchase of technology to enhance the use of virtual tools to conduct outreach to witnesses and defendants, as well as for hearings and status conferences, staffing, and enhancing access to services; resources to assist the jurisdiction to develop or enhance its case management system to assess and work to eliminate the backlog of cases; building tools to support diversion and alternatives to incarceration as part of the review of backlogged cases; and technology and equipment to retrofit court houses and staff to mitigate risks to staff and those coming to court. In addition to

or in conjunction with support for technology, BJA encourages SLTT agencies to address backlogs by instituting triage and other case-processing improvements, including diversion practices, by prosecutors and courts pretrial, as well as the implementation of legal and nonlegal navigators to guide and support defendants through the legal process.

<u>Crime Analysis and Investigation</u>: With the recent increases in violent crime, crime analysis and investigations have become increasingly vital. Law enforcement agencies that have robust analysis capabilities are better able to focus their limited resources in ways that directly improve public safety while protecting the rights of civilians. According to the <u>International Association of Crime Analysts (IACA)</u>, "Crime analysis is both a profession and a set of techniques." The professionals who perform crime analysis, and the techniques they use, are dedicated to helping law enforcement agencies become more effective through the use of relevant metrics, information, and analytical practices.

This past year, ransomware has emerged as an international challenge affecting public sectors, private sectors, and even individuals. According to Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) Alert (AA22-040A), "ransomware tactics and techniques continued to evolve in 2021, which demonstrates ransomware threat actors' growing technological sophistication and an increased ransomware threat to organizations globally." To combat this growing threat, DOJ, DHS, and other federal partners have launched a centralized repository of resources for organizations and individuals at <a href="StopRansomware.gov">StopRansomware.gov</a>. This is a collaborative effort across the federal government and is the first joint website created to help private and public organizations mitigate their ransomware risk.

BJA encourages JAG recipients to utilize funds to support crime analysis efforts, including the hiring of cybercrime analysts and investigators, as well as cybercrime training for state or local law enforcement and emergency dispatch personnel. Recipients utilizing grant funds to support technological devices, artificial intelligence, predictive analytics, and other data-driven solutions ("Technological enhancements") directly should ensure those projects address the tenants of digital trust to include: how the technology will be carefully implemented through training of personnel and the setting and enforcement of policies governing its use to ensure that it contributes to positive outcomes for public safety, the community and/or the criminal justice system; and how the recipient will safeguard privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties throughout the duration of the project period.

#### Additional Uses of JAG Funds

JAG funds awarded under this FY 2022 solicitation may be used to:

- Enforce state and local laws that establish offenses similar to offenses established in 21 U.S.C. § 801 et seq. and/or improve the functioning of the criminal justice system, with emphasis on violent crime and serious offenses, by providing additional personnel, equipment, training, technical assistance, and information systems for the more widespread apprehension, prosecution, adjudication, detention, and rehabilitation of persons who violate these laws and assist the victims of such crimes (other than compensation).
- Support projects related to preventing, detecting, seizing, and/or stopping the presence and use of
  contraband cellphones within correctional facilities. This includes the purchasing of managed access
  systems and other mitigation technologies (as permitted by applicable law).
- Purchase fentanyl and methamphetamine detection equipment, including handheld instruments and training for law enforcement safety, as well as opioid reversal agents.
- · Purchase drug-detection canines to combat the rise in drug trafficking, including that of methamphetamines.
- Support efforts to seal and expunge criminal history information in accordance with state laws and policies.
- Support efforts to attract and retain an all-inclusive, diverse, expert, and accountable law enforcement workforce.
- · Support virtual reality de-escalation training.
- Purchase humane remote restraint devices that enable law enforcement to restrain an uncooperative subject without requiring the infliction of pain.
- Purchase gunfire detection technology.
- Additionally, JAG funds awarded under this FY 2022 solicitation may be used for any purpose indicated here: <u>Purposes for Which Funds Awarded under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grants</u> (JAG) Program May Be Used (ojp.gov).

#### Limitations on the Use of JAG Funds

#### Administrative Costs

Up to 10 percent of a JAG award, including up to 10 percent of any earned interest, may be used for costs associated with administering the award, which can include indirect costs.

#### Supplanting

JAG funds may not be used to supplant state or local funds, but must be used to increase the amounts of such funds that would, in the absence of federal funds, be made available. See the <u>JAG FAQs</u> for examples of supplanting. Although supplanting is prohibited, the leveraging of federal funding is encouraged.

#### Matching Funds

Absent specific federal statutory authority to do so, JAG award funds may not be used as a match for other federal awards.

### Prohibited Expenditures and Associated Procedures under JAG

The JAG statute, at 34 U.S.C. § 10152(d), specifically identifies a list of prohibited items. JAG funds provided under this part may NOT be used, directly or indirectly, to provide any of the following: (1) Any security enhancements or any equipment to any nongovernmental entity that is not engaged in criminal justice or public safety. (2) Unless the Attorney General certifies that extraordinary and exigent circumstances exist that make the use of such funds to provide such matters essential to the maintenance of public safety and good order:

- · Vehicles, vessels, or aircraft\*
- · Luxury items
- Real estate
- Construction projects (other than penal or correctional institutions)
- · Any similar matters

\*Police cruisers, police boats, and police helicopters are allowable vehicles under JAG and do not require BJA certification. For purposes of JAG, a vehicle is considered a "police cruiser" only if it is used in the ordinary course for routine police patrol within the United States. Vehicles (including motorcycles, SUVs, and ATVs) used as "police cruisers" are not prohibited under JAG, and therefore may be acquired with JAG funds in the ordinary course, to the extent otherwise allowable under the award. For more information, please see the "prohibited expenditure list" at: JAG Prohibited and Controlled Expenditures Guidance.

Please refer to the <u>JAG FAQs</u> for details on how to request prior approval (a waiver) from BJA to utilize JAG funds for prohibited item(s).

Note: The use of BJA grant funds for unmanned aircraft systems (UAS), including unmanned aircraft vehicles (UAV), and/or any accompanying accessories to support UAS or UAV devices/systems, is unallowable.

#### Other Program Requirements

A unit of local government that applies for and receives an FY 2022 JAG award must note the following:

<u>Trust Fund</u> — Units of local government may draw down JAG funds either in advance or on a reimbursement basis. To draw down in advance, a trust fund must be established in which to deposit the funds. The trust fund must be in an interest-bearing account, unless one of the exceptions in 2 C.F.R. § 200.305(b)(8) apply. If subrecipients draw down JAG funds in advance, they also must establish a trust fund in which to deposit the funds. For additional information, see 2 C.F.R. § 200.305.

Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government (which incorporates the 30-day governing body review requirement) — A JAG application is not complete, and a unit of local government may not access award funds, unless the chief executive of the applicant unit of local government (e.g., the mayor) properly executes, and the unit of local government submits, the "Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government." The most up-to-date version of this certification can be found at: FY 2022 Byrne JAG — Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government (ojp.gov). Please note that this certification takes the place of the review narrative attachment and contains

assurances that the governing body notification and public comment requirements, which are required under the JAG statute (at 34 U.S.C. § 10153(a)(2)), have been satisfied.

OJP will not deny an application for an FY 2022 award for failure to submit these "Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government" by the application deadline, but a unit of local government will not be able to access award funds (and its award will include a condition that withholds funds) until it submits these certifications and assurances, properly executed by its respective chief executive (e.g., the mayor).

<u>Body-worn Cameras (BWCs)</u> — A JAG award recipient that proposes to use FY 2022 funds to purchase BWC equipment or implement or enhance BWC programs must provide to OJP a certification(s) that each direct recipient receiving the equipment or implementing the program has policies and procedures in place related to BWC equipment usage, data storage and access, privacy considerations, and training. The certification form related to BWC policies and procedures can be found at: <u>Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program</u> — Body-worn Camera (BWC) Policy Certification (ojp.gov).

A JAG award recipient that proposes to use funds for BWC-related expenses will have funds withheld until the required certification is submitted and approved by OJP. If the JAG award recipient proposes to change project activities to utilize JAG funds for BWC-related expenses after the award is accepted, the JAG award recipient must submit the signed certification to OJP at that time.

Further, before making any subaward for BWC-related expenses, the JAG award recipient must collect a completed BWC certification from the proposed subrecipient. Any such certifications must be maintained by the JAG award recipient and made available to OJP upon request. The <u>BJA BWC Toolkit</u> provides model BWC policies and best practices to assist criminal justice departments in implementing BWC programs.

Apart from the JAG Program, BJA provides funds under the <u>Body-worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program</u> (BWCPIP). BWCPIP allows jurisdictions to develop and implement policies and practices required for effective program adoption; and to address program factors including the purchase, deployment, and maintenance of camera systems and equipment; data storage and access; and privacy considerations. Interested JAG award recipients may wish to refer to the BWC Program web page for more information. JAG award recipients that are also BWC award recipients may not use JAG funds for any part of the 50 percent match required by the BWC Program.

<u>Body Armor</u> — Body armor purchased with JAG funds may be purchased at any threat level, make, or model from any distributor or manufacturer, as long as the following requirements are met: The body armor must have been tested and found to comply with the latest applicable National Institute of Justice ballistic or stab standards (<a href="https://cjtec.org/compliance-testing-program/compliant-product-lists/">https://cjtec.org/compliance-testing-program/compliant-product-lists/</a>). In addition, body armor purchased must be made in the United States.

Finally, body armor purchased with JAG funds must be "uniquely fitted vests," which means protective (ballistic or stab-resistant) armor vests that conform to the individual wearer to provide the best possible fit and coverage through a combination of: (1) correctly sized panels and carrier determined through appropriate measurement, and (2) properly adjusted straps, harnesses, fasteners, flaps, or other adjustable features. Note that the requirement that body armor be "uniquely fitted" does not necessarily require body armor that is individually manufactured based on the measurements of an individual wearer. In support of OJP's efforts to improve officer safety, the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) International has made available the Standard Practice for Body Armor Wearer Measurement and Fitting of Armor (Active Standard ASTM E3003) at no cost. The Personal Armor Fit Assessment Checklist is excerpted from ASTM E3003.

A JAG award recipient that proposes to use FY 2022 award funds to purchase body armor must provide OJP with a certification(s) that each law enforcement agency receiving body armor has a written "mandatory wear" policy in effect\* (see 34 U.S.C. § 10202(c)). The certification form related to mandatory wear can be found at: Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program — Body Armor Mandatory Wear Policy Certification (ojp.gov). Note: A JAG award recipient that proposes to use funds for the purchase of body armor will have funds withheld until the required certification is submitted and approved by OJP. If the JAG award recipient proposes to change project activities to utilize funds for the purchase body armor after the award is accepted, the award recipient must submit the signed certification to OJP at that time.

Further, before making any subaward for the purchase of body armor, the JAG award recipient must collect a completed mandatory wear certification from the proposed subrecipient. Any such certifications must be maintained by the JAG award recipient and made available to OJP upon request.

Apart from the JAG Program, BJA provides funds under the Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) Program. The BVP Program provides funding to state and local law enforcement agencies for the purchase of ballistic-resistant and stab-resistant body armor. For more information on the BVP Program, including eligibility and an application, refer to the BVP web page. JAG award recipients should note, however, that funds may not be used as any part of the 50 percent match required by the BVP Program.

\*A mandatory wear concept and issues paper and a model policy are available from the BVP Customer Support Center, which can be contacted at <a href="mailto:vests@usdoj.gov">vests@usdoj.gov</a> or toll free at 1–877–758–3787. Additional information and FAQs related to the mandatory wear policy and certifications can be found in the JAG FAQs.

Interoperable Communications — Units of local government (including any subrecipients) that are using FY 2022 JAG funds for emergency communications activities should comply with the SAFECOM Guidance for Emergency Communication Grants (SAFECOM Guidance), including provisions on technical standards that ensure and enhance interoperable communications. The SAFECOM Guidance is an essential resource for entities applying for federal financial assistance for emergency communications projects. It provides general information on eligible activities, technical standards, and other terms and conditions that are common to most federal emergency communications programs. Specifically, the SAFECOM Guidance provides guidance to applicants on:

- Recommendations for planning, coordinating, and implementing projects.
- · Emergency communications activities that can be funded through federal grants.
- · Best practices, policies, and technical standards that help to improve interoperability.
- · Resources to help grant recipients comply with technical standards and grant requirement

SAFECOM Guidance is recognized as the primary guidance on emergency communications grants by the Administration, Office of Management and Budget, and federal grant program offices. CISA updates the document every year in close coordination with federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial stakeholders and partners. SAFECOM Guidance is applicable to all federal grants funding emergency communications. The most recent version of the SAFECOM Guidance is available at <a href="https://www.cisa.gov/safecom/funding">https://www.cisa.gov/safecom/funding</a>.

Additionally, emergency communications projects funded with FY 2022 JAG funds should support the Statewide Communication Interoperability Plan (SCIP) and be coordinated with the full-time statewide interoperability coordinator (SWIC) in the state of the project. As the central coordination point for a state's interoperability effort, the SWIC plays a critical role and can serve as a valuable resource. SWICs are responsible for the implementation of SCIP through coordination and collaboration with the emergency response community. CISA maintains a list of SWICs for each state and territory. Contact <a href="mailto:ecd@cisa.dhs.gov">ecd@cisa.dhs.gov</a> for more information. All communications equipment purchased with FY 2022 JAG Program funding should be identified during the quarterly performance measurement reporting.

DNA Testing of Evidentiary Materials and Uploading DNA Profiles to a Database — If JAG Program funds are to be used for DNA testing of evidentiary materials, any resulting eligible DNA profiles must be uploaded to the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS), the national DNA database operated by the FBI, by a government DNA lab with access to CODIS. No profiles generated with JAG funding may be entered into any other nongovernmental DNA database without prior written approval from BJA (exceptions include forensic genealogy). Additionally, award recipients utilizing JAG funds for forensic genealogy testing must adhere to the DOJ Interim Policy Forensic Genealogical DNA Analysis and Searching available at <a href="https://www.justice.gov/olp/page/file/1204386/download">https://www.justice.gov/olp/page/file/1204386/download</a>. For more information about DNA testing as it pertains to JAG, please refer to the JAG FAQs.

Entry of Records into State Repositories — As appropriate and to the extent consistent with law, a special condition will be imposed that would require the following: Any program or activity that receives federal financial assistance under JAG that is likely to generate court dispositions or other records relevant to NICS determinations, including any dispositions or records that involve any noncitizen or migrant who is undocumented in the United States (18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(5)(A), must have a system in place to ensure that all such NICS-relevant

dispositions or records are made available in a timely fashion.

National Incident-based Reporting System (NIBRS) — In FY 2016, the FBI formally announced its intention to sunset the UCR program's traditional Summary Reporting System (SRS) and replace it with NIBRS by January 1, 2021. By statute, BJA JAG awards are calculated using summary part 1 violent crime data from the FBI's UCR program. Specifically, the formula allocations for JAG rely heavily on the ratio of "the average number of part 1 violent crimes of the UCR of the FBI reported by such state for the three most recent years reported by such state to the average annual number of such crimes reported by all states for such years" (34 U.S.C. 10156(a)(1) (B)). Further, the local allocations rely on the "average annual number of part 1 violent crimes reported by such unit to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for the 3 most recent calendar years for which such data is available bears to the number of part 1 violent crimes reported by all units of local government in the State in which the unit is located to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for such years" (34 U.S.C. 10156(d)(2)(A). In preparation for the FBI's 2021 NIBRS compliance deadline, BJA imposed an administrative requirement for JAG award recipients that are not NIBRS compliant to dedicate 3 percent of their JAG award toward coming into full compliance with the FBI's NIBRS data submission requirement to both encourage and assist jurisdictions in working toward compliance and ensure they continued to have critical criminal justice funding available through JAG when SRS transitioned to NIBRS. A NIBRS set-aside is NOT required for FY 2022 awards; however, JAG recipients are encouraged to continue working toward and/or maintaining NIBRS compliance to ensure that JAG eligibility is not affected in future fiscal years. More information about NIBRS, including toolkits and updates from the FBI Criminal Justice Information Services team, can be found at NIBRS - FBI.

#### Goals, Objectives, Deliverables, and Timeline

#### Goals

In general, the FY 2022 JAG Program is designed to provide units of local government with additional personnel, equipment, supplies, contractual support, training, technical assistance, and information systems for criminal justice.

#### **Objectives**

The objectives are directly related to the JAG Program accountability measures described at <a href="https://bja.ojp.gov/sites/g/files/xyckuh186/files/media/document/jag-pmt-accountability-measures.pdf">https://bja.ojp.gov/sites/g/files/xyckuh186/files/media/document/jag-pmt-accountability-measures.pdf</a>.

# **Deliverables**

A unit of local government that receives an FY 2022 JAG award will be required to produce various types of reports including quarterly financial reports, quarterly performance reports, and semi-annual progress reports in JustGrants.

The Goals, Objectives, and Deliverables are directly related to the performance measures that show the completed work's results, as discussed in the "Application and Submission Information" section.

#### **Evidence-Based Programs or Practices**

OJP strongly encourages the use of data and evidence in policymaking and program development for criminal justice, juvenile justice, and crime victim services. For additional information and resources on evidence-based programs or practices, see the <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u>.

# Information Regarding Potential Evaluation of Programs and Activities

OJP may conduct or support an evaluation of the programs and activities funded under this solicitation. For additional information, see the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide section entitled "Information Regarding Potential Evaluation of Programs and Activities."

#### Federal Award Information

#### General Guidance for Federal Award

Total number of awards BJA expects to make:1198 Maximum dollar amount for each award: \$4,283,151 Total amount to be awarded under solicitation: \$92,888,141

Period of performance start date: October 1, 2021 Period of performance duration:24–48 months

Category 1 — Eligible Allocation Amounts of Less than \$25,000: Units of local government that are listed on the JAG web page as eligible for an allocation amount of less than \$25,000 should apply under Category 1. This includes direct and joint (disparate) allocations. Category 1 awards of less than \$25,000 are 2 years in length. Extensions of up to 2 years can be requested for these awards via JustGrants no fewer than 30 days prior to the project period end date and will be automatically granted upon request.

Category 2 — Eligible Allocation Amounts of \$25,000 or More: Units of local government that are listed on the JAG web page as eligible for an allocation amount of \$25,000 or more should apply under Category 2. This includes direct and joint (disparate) allocations. Category 2 awards of at least \$25,000 are 4 years in length. Extensions beyond this period may be made on a case-by-case basis at the discretion of BJA and must be requested via JustGrants no fewer than 30 days prior to the project period end date

# Availability of Funds

This solicitation and awards (if any are made) under this solicitation are subject to the availability of appropriated funds and to any modifications or additional requirements that may be imposed by the agency or by law. In addition, nothing in this solicitation is intended to, and does not, create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the United States; its departments, agencies, or entities; its officers, employees, or agents; or any other person.

The allocations for the FY 2022 JAG Program can be found at: Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Local Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Allocations (ojp.gov).

#### Solicitation Categories

Competition ID	Category *	Number of Awards	Dollar Amount for Award	Performance Start Date	Performance Duration (Months)
C-BJA-2022-00154-PROD	Category 1 - Applicants with eligible allocation amounts of less than \$25,000	618	\$9,450,338.00	10/1/21 12:00 AM	24
C-BJA-2022-00155-PROD	Category 2 - Applicants with eligible allocation amounts of \$25,000 or more	580	\$83,437,803.00	10/1/21 12:00 AM	48

#### Types of Awards

BJA expects to make awards under this solicitation as grants. See the "Administrative, National Policy, and Other Legal Requirements" section of the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for a brief discussion of important statutes, regulations, and award conditions that apply to many (or in some cases, all) OJP grants.

#### Financial Management and System of Internal Controls

Award recipients and subrecipients (including recipients or subrecipients that are pass-through entities) must, as described in the Part 200 Uniform Requirements as set out at 2 C.F.R. 200.303, comply with standards for financial and program management. See the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for additional information.

#### **Budget Information**

This solicitation expressly modifies the <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u> by not incorporating the "Limitation on Use of Award Funds for Employee Compensation; Waiver" provision in the "Financial Information" section of the <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u>.

General requirement for federal authorization of any subaward; statutory authorization of subawards under the JAG Program statute. Generally, a recipient of an OJP award may not make subawards ("subgrants") unless the recipient has specific federal authorization to do so. Unless an applicable statute or DOJ regulation specifically authorizes (or requires) particular subawards, a recipient must have authorization from OJP before it may make a subaward. However, JAG subawards that are required or specifically authorized by statute (see 34 U.S.C. § 10152(a) and 34 U.S.C. § 10156) do not require prior approval. For additional information regarding subawards and authorizations, please refer to the subaward section in the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide.

#### **Unmanned Aircraft Systems**

The use of BJA grant funds for unmanned aircraft systems (UAS), including unmanned aircraft vehicles (UAV), and/or any accompanying accessories to support UAS or UAV devices/systems, is unallowable.

#### Cost Sharing or Matching Requirement

This solicitation does not require a match.

#### Pre-agreement Costs (also known as Pre-award Costs)

See the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for information on Pre-agreement Costs (also known as Pre-award Costs).

#### Limitation on Use of Award Funds for Employee Compensation: Waiver

This solicitation expressly modifies the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide by not incorporating the "Limitation on Use of Award Funds for Employee Compensation; Waiver" provisions in the "Financial Information" section of the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide.

#### Prior Approval, Planning, and Reporting of Conference/Meeting/Training Costs

See the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for information on Prior Approval, Planning, and Reporting of Conference/Meeting/Training Costs.

#### Costs Associated with Language Assistance (if applicable)

See the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for information on Costs Associated with Language Assistance.

#### **Eligibility Information**

For eligibility information, see the solicitation cover page.

For information on cost sharing or matching requirements, see the "Federal Award Information" section.

#### Application and Submission Information

See the "Application Elements and Formatting Instructions" section of the <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u> for information on what happens to an application that does not contain all the specified elements or is nonresponsive to the scope of the solicitation.

# Information to Complete the Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424)

The SF-424 must be submitted in Grants.gov. It is a required standard form used as a cover sheet for submission of pre-applications, applications, and related information. See the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for additional information on completing the SF-424.

In Section 8F of the SF-424, please include the name and contact information of the individual who will

complete application materials in JustGrants. JustGrants will use this information (email address) to assign the application to this user in JustGrants.

Intergovernmental Review: This solicitation ("funding opportunity") is subject to <a href="Executive Order 12372"><u>Executive Order 12372</u></a>. An applicant may find the names and addresses of state Single Points of Contact (SPOCs) at the following website: <a href="https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/SPOC-4-13-20.pdf">https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/SPOC-4-13-20.pdf</a>. If the applicant's state appears on the SPOC list, the applicant must contact its SPOC to find out about, and comply with, the state's process under E.O. 12372. In completing the SF-424, an applicant whose state appears on the SPOC list is to make the appropriate selection in response to question 19 once the applicant has complied with its state E.O. 12372 process. An applicant whose state does not appear on the SPOC list should answer question 19 by selecting the response that the: "Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the state for review."

#### Standard Applicant Information (JustGrants 424 and General Agency Information)

The Standard Applicant Information section of the JustGrants application is pre-populated with the SF-424 data submitted in Grants.gov. The applicant will need to review the Standard Applicant Information in JustGrants and make edits as needed. Within this section, the applicant will need to add: zip codes for areas affected by the project; confirm its Authorized Representative; and verify and confirm the organization's unique entity identifier, legal name, and address.

#### **Proposal Narrative**

The proposal narrative should be submitted as an attachment in JustGrants. The attached document should be double-spaced, using a standard 12-point Times New Roman font, and have no less than 1-inch margins. Pages should be numbered and submitted as an attachment.

#### Category 1 — Eligible Allocation Amounts of Less than \$25,000

The proposal narrative for Category 1 applications should include a description of the project(s), including subawards, if applicable, to be funded with JAG funds over the 2-year grant period.

# Category 2 — Eligible Allocation Amounts of \$25,000 or More

The proposal narrative for Category 2 applications should include:

- a. <u>Description of the Issue</u> Identify the unit of local government's strategy/funding priorities for the FY 2022 JAG funds, the subgrant award process (if applicable, including disparates) and timeline, any progress or challenges, and a description of the programs to be funded over the 4-year grant period.
- b. <u>Project Design and Implementation</u> Describe the unit of local government's strategic planning process, if any, that guides its priorities and funding strategy. This should include a description of how the local community is engaged in the planning process and the data and analysis utilized to support the plan. It should identify the stakeholders currently participating in the strategic planning process, the gaps in the needed resources for criminal justice purposes, and how JAG funds will be coordinated with state and related justice funds.
- c. <u>Capabilities and Competencies</u> Describe any additional strategic planning/ coordination efforts in which the units of local government participate with other criminal justice entities within the local jurisdiction.

Plan for Collecting the Data Required for this Solicitation's Performance Measures

d. <u>Plan for Collecting the Data Required for this Solicitation's Performance Measures</u> —OJP will require each successful applicant to submit specific performance data that show the completed work's results. The performance data directly relate to the objectives previously identified under "Objectives."

Applicants should visit OJP's performance measurement page at <a href="www.ojp.gov/performance">www.ojp.gov/performance</a> for an overview of performance measurement activities at OJP.

The application should demonstrate the applicant's understanding of the performance data reporting requirements for this grant program and detail how the applicant will gather the required data should it

#### receive funding.

Note: Applicants are not required to submit performance data with the application. Rather, performance measure information is included as an alert that successful applicants will be required to submit performance data as part of each award's reporting requirements.

BJA will require award recipients to submit performance measure data in BJA's PMT located at <a href="https://bjapmt.ojp.gov">https://bjapmt.ojp.gov</a> and separately submit an annual (Category 1 recipients) or semi-annual (Category 2 recipients) performance report in JustGrants. BJA will provide further guidance on the post-award submission process, if selected for award.

#### **Note on Project Evaluations**

An applicant that proposes to use award funds through this solicitation to conduct project evaluations must follow the guidance in the "Note on Project Evaluations" section in the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide.

#### **Budget and Associated Documentation**

#### **Budget Worksheet and Budget Narrative (attachment)**

The applicant will complete the budget worksheet attachment and submit it by uploading it as an attachment in JustGrants. See the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for additional information.

The budget narrative and budget worksheet (attachment) are critical elements, and applicants will be unable to successfully submit an application in JustGrants unless an attachment is uploaded in this section. If an applicant does not have a budget to submit at the time of application, an attachment must be uploaded noting as such, and BJA will add the appropriate special condition withholding funds for budget documentation.

Please note that the budget narrative should include a full description of all costs, including administrative costs (if applicable).

#### Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (if applicable)

The applicant will submit its indirect cost rate agreement by uploading it as an attachment in JustGrants. See the <a href="OJP Grant Application Resource Guide">OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</a> for additional information.

This rule does not eliminate or alter the JAG-specific restriction in federal law that states charges for administrative costs may not exceed 10 percent of the award amount, regardless of the approved indirect cost rate

# Financial Management Questionnaire (including applicant disclosure of high-risk status)

The applicant will download the questionnaire, complete it, and submit it by uploading it as an attachment in JustGrants. See the <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u> for additional information and the link to the questionnaire.

#### Disclosure of Process Related to Executive Compensation

This solicitation expressly modifies the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide by not incorporating its "Disclosure of Process Related to Executive Compensation" provisions. Applicants to this solicitation are not required to provide this disclosure.

#### **Additional Application Components**

The applicant will attach the requested documentation in JustGrants.

# Research and Evaluation Independence and Integrity Statement

If an application proposes research (including research and development) and/or evaluation, the applicant must
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demonstrate research/evaluation independence and integrity, including appropriate safeguards, before it may receive award funds. The applicant will submit documentation of its research and evaluation independence and integrity by uploading it as an attachment in JustGrants. For additional information, see the <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u>.

#### Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government

A JAG application is not complete, and a unit of local government may not access award funds, unless the chief executive of the applicant unit of local government (e.g., the mayor) properly executes, and submits, the "Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government" attached in the section above entitled "Other Program Requirements." The most up-to-date certification form can be found at: FY 2022 Byrne JAG — Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government (ojp.gov).

#### Disclosures and Assurances

The applicant will address the following disclosures and assurances.

#### Disclosure of Lobbying Activities

Complete and submit the SF-LLL in Grants.gov. See the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for additional information.

#### **DOJ Certified Standard Assurances**

Review and accept the DOJ Certified Standard Assurances in JustGrants. See the <u>OJP Grant Application</u> Resource Guide for additional information.

#### Applicant Disclosure of Duplication in Cost Items

Complete the JustGrants web-based Applicant Disclosure of Duplication in Cost Items form. See the <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u> for additional information.

DOJ Certifications Regarding Lobbying; Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters; and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements

Review and accept the DOJ Certified Certifications Regarding Lobbying; Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters; Drug-Free Workplace Requirements; and Law Enforcement and Community Policing in JustGrants. See the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for additional information.

Applicant Disclosure and Justification - DOJ High Risk Grantees (if applicable)

If applicable, submit the DOJ High Risk Disclosure and Justification as an attachment in JustGrants. A DOJ High Risk Grantee is an award recipient that has received a DOJ High Risk designation based on a documented history of unsatisfactory performance, financial instability, management system or other internal control deficiencies, or noncompliance with award terms and conditions on prior awards, or that is otherwise not responsible. See the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for additional information.

#### How to Apply

Step 1: The applicant must submit the SF-424 and an SF-LLL in Grants.gov at <a href="https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/register.html">https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/register.html</a>.

Step 2: The applicant must then submit the **full application**, including attachments, in JustGrants at <u>JustGrants.usdoj.gov.</u>

For additional information, see the "How to Apply" section in the <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u> and the <u>DOJ Application Submission Checklist.</u>

#### Submission Dates and Time

The SF-424 and the SF-LLL must be submitted in Grants.gov by August 3, 2022 at 8:59 p.m. eastern time.

The full application must be submitted in JustGrants by August 8, 2022 at 8:59 p.m. eastern time.

OJP urges applicants to submit their Grants.gov and JustGrants submissions prior to the due dates to allow sufficient time to correct errors and resubmit by the submission deadlines if a rejection notification is received. To be considered timely, the **full application** must be submitted in JustGrants by the JustGrants application deadline.

**Experiencing Unforeseen Technical Issues** 

An applicant that experiences unforeseen SAM.gov, Grants.gov, or JustGrants technical issues beyond its control that prevent application submission by the deadline must demonstrate all efforts in requesting technical support in order to submit an application by the deadline. Technical support is available via phone and email to the applicable SAM.gov, Grants.gov, or JustGrants support centers or service desks in which an applicant received a ticket number for resolution. If an applicant misses a deadline due to unforeseen technical difficulties, the applicant may request a waiver to submit an application after the deadline. Note: If an applicant does not submit all the required Grants.gov forms by the Grants.gov deadline, the applicant will not be able to proceed to the JustGrants portion of the application process.

An applicant experiencing technical difficulties with the following systems must contact the associated support desk indicated below to report the technical issue and receive a tracking number:

- Grants.gov Contact the <u>Grants.gov Customer Support Hotline</u>.
- SAM.gov Contact the <u>SAM Help Desk (Federal Service Desk)</u>.
- JustGrants Contact the JustGrants Support Desk at <u>JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov</u> or 833–872–5175.

An applicant requesting a waiver to submit a late application must document their request for technical assistance in an email to the OJP Response Center at <a href="mailto:grants@ncjrs.gov">grants@ncjrs.gov</a> within 24 hours after the application deadline to request approval to submit its application after the deadline. If an applicant has technical issues with Grants.gov, the applicant must contact the OJP Response Center within 24 hours of the Grants.gov deadline to request approval to submit after the deadline. Waiver requests to submit after the submission deadline must:

- Describe the technical difficulties experienced.
- Include a timeline of the applicant's submission efforts (e.g., what date and time did the error occur, what
  date and time was action taken to resolve the issue and resubmit; and what date and time did support
  representatives respond).
- Include an attachment(s) of the complete grant application and all required documentation and material.
- Include the applicant's Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) and any applicable SAM.gov tracking number(s), Grants.gov Help Desk, and JustGrants Support Desk Ticket Numbers.

OJP will review each request for late submission and required supporting documentation and notify the applicant whether the request has been approved or denied. For more details on the waiver process, OJP encourages applicants to review the "Experiencing Unforeseen Technical Issues" section in the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide.

#### **Application Review Information**

#### **Review Process**

OJP reviews the application to make sure that the information presented is reasonable, understandable, measurable, achievable, and consistent with the solicitation. See the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for information on the application review process for this solicitation.

Pursuant to the Part 200 Uniform Requirements, before award decisions are made, OJP also reviews information related to the degree of risk posed by the applicant. Among other things to help assess whether an applicant with one or more prior federal awards has a satisfactory record with respect to performance, integrity, and business ethics, OJP checks whether the applicant is listed in SAM as excluded from receiving a federal award.

In addition, if OJP anticipates that an award will exceed \$250,000 in federal funds, OJP also must review and

consider any information about the applicant that appears in the non-public segment of the integrity and performance system accessible through SAM (currently, the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System, FAPIIS).

**Important note on FAPIIS:** An applicant, at its option, may review and comment on any information about itself that currently appears in FAPIIS and was entered by a federal awarding agency. OJP will consider such comments by the applicant, in addition to the other information in FAPIIS, in its assessment of the risk posed by the applicant.

Absent explicit statutory authorization or written delegation of authority to the contrary, the Assistant Attorney General will make all final award decisions.

#### Federal Award Administration Information

#### **Federal Award Notices**

See the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for information on award notifications and instructions.

#### Administrative, National Policy, and Other Legal Requirements

If selected for funding, in addition to implementing the funded project consistent with the OJP-approved application, the recipient must comply with all award conditions and all applicable requirements of federal statutes and regulations, including the applicable requirements referred to in the assurances and certifications executed in connection with award acceptance. For additional information on these legal requirements, see the "Administrative, National Policy, and Other Legal Requirements" section in the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide.

#### Information Technology (IT) Security Clauses

An application in response to this solicitation may require inclusion of information related to information technology security. See the <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u> for information on information technology security.

#### General Information about Post-Federal Award Reporting Requirements

In addition to the deliverables described in the "Program Description" section, all award recipients under this solicitation will be required to submit certain reports and data.

#### Category 1 — Eligible Allocation Amounts of Less than \$25,000

Recipients must submit:

- Quarterly Federal Financial Reports (and one final Federal Financial Report after all funds have been obligated and expended) through OJP's JustGrants system.
- Quarterly Performance Measurement Tool reports and a final Performance Measurement Tool report through BJA's PMT. Please note that as soon as all project activity has concluded, that report may be marked final.
- An annual performance report and final progress report through OJP's JustGrants. If all project activity has
  concluded at the time the first annual performance report is submitted, that report may be marked final.
- If applicable, an annual audit report in accordance with the Part 200 Uniform Requirements or specific award conditions.

#### Category 2 — Eligible Allocation Amounts of \$25,000 or More

Recipients must submit:

Quarterly Federal Financial Reports (and one final Federal Financial Report after all funds have been

obligated and expended) through OJP's JustGrants system.

- Quarterly Performance Measurement Tool reports and a final Performance Measurement Tool report (at any time once all project activity has concluded) through BJA's PMT.
- Semi-annual performance reports and a final performance report (at any time once all project activity has concluded) through OJP's JustGrants.
- If applicable, an annual audit report in accordance with the Part 200 Uniform Requirements or specific award conditions.

Accountability measurement data must be submitted through BJA's Performance Measurement Tool, available at <a href="https://bjapmt.ojp.gov">https://bjapmt.ojp.gov/help/jagdocs.html</a>. (Note that if a unit of local government provides funding to a law enforcement agency, the unit of local government must submit quarterly accountability measurement data on training that officers have received on use of force, racial and ethnic bias, de-escalation of conflict, and constructive engagement with the public.)

See the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for additional information on specific post-award reporting requirements, including performance measure data.

#### Federal Awarding Agency Contact(s)

For OJP contact(s), see solicitation cover page.

For contact information for Grants.gov, see the solicitation cover page.

For contact information for JustGrants, see the solicitation cover page.

#### Other Information

Freedom of Information and Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552 and 5 U.S.C. 552a)

See the <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u> for information on the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552 and 5 U.S.C. 552a).

Provide Feedback to OJP

See the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for information on how to provide feedback to OJP.

#### **Application Checklist**

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This application checklist has been created as an aid in developing an application. The <u>DOJ Application Submission Checklist</u> is another resource.

# What an Applicant Must Do:

Prior to registering in Grants.gov:

Confirm your Entity's <u>System Award Management (SAM) Registration Information</u> (see <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u>)

To register in Grants.gov:

 Acquire an Authorized Organization Representative (AOR) and a Grants.gov username and password (see <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u>)

Acquire AOR confirmation from the E-Business Point of Contact (E-Biz POC) (see OJP Grant

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To find the Funding Opportunity:

- Search for the Funding Opportunity in Grants.gov using the opportunity number, Assistance Listing, or keyword(s)
- · Select the correct Competition ID
- Access the Funding Opportunity and Application Package (see Step 7 in the <u>OJP Grant Application</u> Resource Guide)
- Sign up for Grants.gov email notifications (optional) (see OJP Grant Application Resource Guide)
- Read <u>Important Notice</u>: Applying for Grants in Grants.gov

Overview of Post-Award Legal Requirements:

 Review the "Overview of Legal Requirements Generally Applicable to OJP Grants and Cooperative Agreements - FY 2022 Awards" in the OJP Funding Resource Center.

Review Scope Requirement:

 The federal amount requested is within the allowable limit(s) of the FY 2022 JAG Allocations List as listed at: FY 2022 Local JAG Allocations.

Review Eligibility Requirement:

Only units of local government may apply under this solicitation. By law, for purposes of the JAG Program, the term "units of local government" includes a town, township, village, parish, city, county, borough, or other general-purpose political subdivision of a state; or it may be a federally recognized American Indian tribal government that performs law enforcement functions (as determined by the Secretary of the Interior). A unit of local government also may be any law enforcement district or judicial enforcement district established under applicable state law with authority to independently establish a budget and impose taxes; for example, in Louisiana, a unit of local government means a district attorney or parish sheriff.

Prepare to submit the Application for Federal Assistance standard form (SF)-424 and Disclosure of Lobbying Activities form (SF-LLL)

- . Review Information to complete the Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424) in Grants.gov
- Submit the Intergovernmental Review
- Complete Standard Applicant Information (SF-424 information from Grants.gov)
- Submit the SF-424 and SF-LLL in Grants.gov

After the SF-424 and SF-LLL submission in Grants.gov, receive Grants.gov email notifications that:

- · Submission has been received in Grants.gov
- Submission has either been successfully validated or rejected with errors (see <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u>)

If no Grants.gov receipt and validation, or if error notifications are received:

Contact the Grants.gov Customer Support Hotline at 800-518-4726, 606-545-5035, at <u>Grants.gov</u> <u>customer support</u>, or by email at <u>support@grants.gov</u> regarding technical difficulties (see <u>OJP</u> <u>Grant Application Resource Guide</u>)

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Proceed to complete application in JustGrants

# **Content of Application Submission**

Proposal Narrative

#### **Budget and Associated Documentation**

- Budget Worksheet and Budget Narrative (attachment)
- Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (if applicable) (see OJP Grant Application Resource Guide)
- Financial Management and System of Internal Controls Questionnaire (see <u>OJP Grant Application</u> <u>Resource Guide</u>)

# **Additional Application Components**

- Research and Evaluation Independence and Integrity (see OJP Grant Application Resource Guide)
- <u>FY 2022 Byrne JAG Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government (ojp.gov)</u>.

#### Disclosures and Assurances

- Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (SF-LLL) (see OJP Grant Application Resource Guide)
- Applicant Disclosure of Duplication in Cost Items (see OJP Grant Application Resource Guide)
- DOJ Certified Standard Assurances (see OJP Grant Application Resource Guide)
- DOJ Certifications Regarding Lobbying; Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters; and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements (see OJP Grant Application Resource Guide)
- Applicant Disclosure and Justification DOJ High Risk Grantees (if applicable) (see <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u>)

# Submit application in JustGrants:

· Application has been successfully submitted in JustGrants

If no JustGrants application submission validation, or if error notifications are received:

 Contact the JustGrants Service Desk at <u>JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov</u> or 833–872–5175 regarding technical difficulties.