BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE

OVERVIEW OF BJA FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE RESOURCES

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Tribal-Specific Justice System Funding

- **Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation:** This solicitation provides federally recognized tribes and tribal consortia an opportunity to apply for funding to aid in developing a comprehensive and coordinated approach to public safety and victimization.

  - ❑ **Purpose Area 2:** Funding is available engage in comprehensive justice system-wide strategic planning to improve tribal justice and safety including improving services for victims of crime, community wellness, increasing capacity to prevent crime and addressing violent crime, including activities outlined in the Tribal Law and Order Act (TLOA), such as strategic planning and the development of a Tribal Action Plan (TAP).

  - ❑ **Purpose Area 3:** provide funding to tribes to develop, support, and enhance adult tribal justice systems and prevent crime, including crime related to opioid, alcohol, and other substance abuse.

Tribal-Specific Justice System Funding cont'd

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- **Purpose Area 4:** To renovate, expand, or replace (via prefabricated or permanent modular facilities only) existing buildings to:

  - Enhance conditions that address staff/resident/detainee/inmate safety and security issues for the following tribal justice-related facilities.

  - add capacity for rehabilitative services, enhance facility service/function capacity, implement correctional alternative programs, or establish community-based programs to reduce the recidivism rates for offenders who are subject to tribal jurisdiction

FY 19 Solicitation Status: Closed

Substance Abuse

- **Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Site-based Program (COAP):** provides financial and technical assistance to states, units of local government, and Indian tribal governments to plan, develop, and implement comprehensive efforts to identify, respond to, treat, and support those impacted by the opioid epidemic.

  - ❑ **Category 1: Locally Driven Responses to the Opioid Epidemic**
  - ❑ **Category 2: Statewide Implementation, Enhancement, and Evaluation Projects**
  - ❑ **Category 3: Harold Rogers Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) Implementation and Enhancement Projects**

FY 19 Solicitation Status: Closed

Substance Abuse

- **Adult Drug Court Discretionary Grant Program**: provides financial and technical assistance to states, state courts, local courts, units of local government, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments to develop and implement drug courts and veterans treatment courts using evidence-based principles and practices.

  - ❑ An “adult drug court” is a court program managed by a multidisciplinary team that responds to the offenses and treatment needs of participants who are diagnosed with substance abuse. This explicitly excludes drug offenders who have committed acts of violence.

  - ❑ A “veterans treatment court” is a veterans only docket designed to provide support and resources for veterans in the criminal justice system. These courts are modeled after mental health and drug courts that were established to emphasize treatment rather than incarceration.

FY 19 Solicitation Status: Closed

Substance Abuse cont'd

- **Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program (JMHCP):** supports cross-system collaboration to improve responses and outcomes for individuals with mental illnesses (MI) or co-occurring mental illness and substance abuse (CMISA) who come into contact with the justice system.

  - ❑ **Category 1: Collaborative County Approaches to Reducing the Prevalence of Individuals with Serious Mental Illness in Jails**
  - ❑ **Category 2: Strategic Planning for Police and Mental Health Collaboration Competition**
  - ❑ **Category 3: Implementation and Expansion**

  FY 19 Solicitation Status: Closed

Law Enforcement

- **Strategies for Policing Innovation (SPI):** provides resources and opportunities to enable police agencies to identify and define their most pressing crime problems and institute lasting operational and organizational changes in their agencies that foster reliance on and effective use of evidence-based practices, data, and technology to address those problems. **FY 19 Solicitation Status: Closed**

- **STOP (Student, Teachers, and Officers Preventing) School Violence Threat Assessment and Technology Reporting Program:** addresses the development and operation of school threat assessment and crisis intervention teams and the development of technology for local or regional anonymous reporting systems. **FY 19 Solicitation Status: Closed**

Law Enforcement cont'd

- **STOP (Student, Teachers, and Officers Preventing) School Violence Threat Assessment and Mental Health Training Program:** addresses (a) the training of school personnel and the education of students to prevent student violence; and/or (b) fund specialized training for school officials responding to related mental health crises. **FY 19 Solicitation Status: Closed**

- **Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN):** designed to create and foster safer neighborhoods through a sustained reduction in violent crime, including, but not limited to, addressing criminal gangs and the felonious possession and use of firearms. The program's effectiveness depends upon the ongoing coordination, cooperation, and partnerships of local, state, tribal, and federal law enforcement agencies--and the communities they serve--engaged in a unified approach led by the U.S. Attorney (USA) in all 94 districts. **FY 19 Solicitation Status: Open until June 25, 2019**

Law Enforcement cont'd

- **Enhanced Collaborative Model Task Force To Combat Human Trafficking program:** assists communities in developing effective and sustainable multidisciplinary task forces that will implement victim-centered and coordinated approaches to identifying victims of sex and labor trafficking, addressing the individualized needs of victims through services, and investigating and prosecuting sex and labor trafficking cases (as well as the purchasers of commercial sex) at the local, state, tribal, and federal levels. **FY 19 Solicitation Status: Closed**

- **Body-Worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program (BWC PIP):** addresses the development and implementation of policies and practices for effective program adoption, and includes factors such as the purchase, deployment, and maintenance of camera systems and equipment; data storage and access; and privacy considerations. **FY 19 Solicitation Status: Closed**

Law Enforcement cont'd

- **The Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) Program:** designed to provide critical resources to state, local and tribal jurisdictions for the purpose of purchasing body armor for sworn law enforcement officers. The purpose of the BVP Program is to reimburse states, counties, federally recognized tribes, cities, and local jurisdictions that employ law enforcement officers for up to 50% of the total cost of body armor vests purchased for those officers. **FY 19 Solicitation Status: Closed**

- **Local Law Enforcement Crime Gun Intelligence Center Integration (CGIC) Initiative:** administered by BJA in partnership with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) to provide funding to state and local government entities that are experiencing precipitous increases in gun crime to implement comprehensive and holistic models to reduce violent crime and the illegal use of firearms within their jurisdictions by enabling them to integrate with their local ATF **Crime Gun Intelligence Centers (CGICs)**. **FY 19 Solicitation Status: Closed**

Law Enforcement cont'd

- **National Sexual Assault Kit Initiative:** supports the Department's criminal justice priorities of reducing violent crime and supporting law enforcement officers and prosecutors by: (1) providing jurisdictions with resources to address sexual assault kits (SAKs) in their custody that have not been submitted to a forensic laboratory for testing with Combined DNA Index System (CODIS)-eligible DNA methodologies; and (2) improving investigation and prosecution in connection with evidence and cases resulting from the testing process. **FY 19 Solicitation Status: Closed**

- **Innovations in Community-Based Crime Reduction Program (CBCR):** focuses on high-crime communities with concentrated distress and hot spots of crime and directly supports the Department's priorities to reduce violent crime (sometimes associated with gang activity), assist communities struggling with drug abuse, and support law enforcement officers by integrating officers and enforcement strategies into community-based crime reduction efforts. **FY 19 Solicitation Status: Closed**

Law Enforcement cont'd

- **Supporting Innovation: Field-Initiated Programs to Improve Officer and Public Safety:** invites applicants to develop and test solutions that will improve officer and public safety and save lives. BJA has created this program to launch a robust and creative grant funding stream for the field. **FY 19 Solicitation Status: Closed**

- **Southwest Border Rural Law Enforcement Information Sharing and Interdiction Assistance Grants:** BJA is seeking applications for funding under Southwest Border Rural Law Enforcement Information Sharing and Interdiction Assistance Grants, which provide funding to rural law enforcement agencies along the southwest border of the United States, to support efforts to reduce violent crime. (AZ, CA, NM, TX only) **FY 19 Solicitation Status: Closed**

Corrections

- **Second Chance Act Comprehensive Community-based Adult Reentry Program:** supports organizations or tribes providing comprehensive reentry services to program participants throughout the transition from jail or prison to the community. **FY 19 Solicitation Status: Closed**

- **Implementing the PREA Standards, Protecting Inmates, and Safeguarding Communities:** The Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) directs DOJ to provide grants to jurisdictions and agencies nationwide to "protect inmates and safeguard communities." This program responds to this statutory obligation by:
  - ❑ Supporting efforts in state, local, and tribal jurisdictions to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse in confinement facilities covered by the PREA standards.
  - ❑ Promoting comprehensive implementation of the standards.
  - ❑ Enhancing community safety by decreasing the likelihood that inmates, residents, and detainees are sexually victimized in confinement facilities prior to release.

  FY 19 Solicitation Status: Closed

Corrections cont'd

- **Innovations in Reentry Initiative (IRI) : Reducing Recidivism Through Systems Improvement):** provides local jurisdictions and Indian tribes with the resources and training and technical assistance (TTA) necessary to identify assets and gaps in their local reentry systems and to develop capacity and partnerships with other justice agencies to provide services that prevent recidivism, reduce crime, and improve public safety in their jurisdictions. Category 3 is specific to tribes. **FY 19 Solicitation Status: Closed**

- **Innovations in Supervision Initiative (ISI):** improves the capacity and effectiveness of community supervision agencies to increase probation and parole success rates and reduce the number of crimes committed by those under probation and parole supervision. **FY 19 Solicitation Status: Closed**

Corrections cont'd

- **Innovative Responses to Behavior in the Community: Swift, Certain, and Fair (SCF) Supervision Program:** provides state, tribal, and local parole and probation agencies with information, resources, and training and technical assistance (TTA) to improve responses to offender behavior in accordance with the principles of swiftness, certainty, and fairness to prevent recidivism and reduce crime in their jurisdictions. **FY 19 Solicitation Status: Closed**

- **Improving Reentry for Adults with Co-occurring Substance Abuse and Mental Illness Program:** designed to improve access to and delivery of services to offenders with co-occurring substance abuse and mental illness when they leave incarceration to reenter the community. **FY 19 Solicitation Status: Closed**

Courts

- **Innovative Prosecution Solutions:** provides state, local, and tribal prosecutors with information, resources, and training and technical assistance (TTA) to develop effective strategies and programs to address violent crime and prosecute individuals responsible for homicides caused by illegal opioids. **FY 19 Solicitation Status: Closed**

- **Upholding the Rule of Law and Preventing Wrongful Convictions (URLPWC) Program:** committed to protecting the unwavering integrity of the criminal justice system and the consistent application of due process for all. URLPWC supports efforts by both conviction integrity or review units and entities that represent individuals with post-conviction claims of innocence to review individual cases of post-conviction and appeals claims of innocence. Where possible, the program seeks to identify and apprehend actual perpetrators of crimes who eluded prosecution and bring justice to victim(s), thereby enhancing public safety and security. **FY 19 Solicitation Status: Closed**

How to Access BJA Funding Opportunities
www.BJA.gov

- **DOJ Forecast tool:** https://grantsnet.justice.gov/programPlan/html/Solicitations.htm
- **Current BJA Funding Opportunities:** www.bja.gov/funding.aspx
- **Grants.gov:** https://www.grants.gov/register.html
- **DOJ Tribal Justice and Safety Subscription:** https://www.justice.gov/tribal **(email updates)**
- **OJP Funding Opportunities:** https://ojp.gov/funding

Training and Technical Assistance

DOJ Tribal-specific Training and Technical Assistance Services

- ❑ Indian Alcohol and Substance Abuse
- ❑ Law Enforcement
- ❑ Tribal Courts
- ❑ Tribal Civil and Criminal Legal Assistance
- ❑ Corrections, Alternatives to Incarceration, and Reentry
- ❑ Juvenile Delinquency Prevention and Juvenile Justice
- ❑ Victim Services
- ❑ Intergovernmental Collaboration
- ❑ Information Sharing
- ❑ Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act
- ❑ Domestic and Sexual Violence Crimes

Tribal Justice and Safety Website TTA page:
https://www.justice.gov/tribal/training-and-technical-assistance

Training and Technical Assistance

BJA National Training and Technical Assistance Center

- The mission of BJA is to provide policy leadership and assistance that supports criminal justice systems in the effort to achieve safer communities. Established in 2008, the BJA National Training and Technical Assistance Center (NTTAC) promotes that mission by serving as a major source of justice-related training and technical assistance (TTA) information and resources to improve criminal justice systems nationwide. BJA NTTAC offers specialized assistance to the criminal justice field by providing state, local, and tribal communities with rapid, expert, coordinated, and data-driven training and technical assistance.

- For more information, visit https://www.bja.gov/Events/TTA.html

QUESTIONS

