Funding Toolkit for State Courts and Justice System Partners

FY 2020 Funding for State Courts and Justice System Partners

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Agenda for Today

- About the State Justice Institute
- About the toolkit
- Funding sources
- Current funding opportunities
- Grant writing overview
- Technical assistance
- Questions

State Justice Institute

- Established by Congress in 1984 to award grants to improve the administration of justice in state courts.
- Governed by an 11-member Board of Directors consisting of state court judges, a state court administrator, and 4 public members.
- Assists all state courts criminal, civil, juvenile, family, and appellate.
- Addresses national court issues as they occur and develops solutions to those problems.
- Disseminates effective approaches nationally.

State Justice Institute

- Supports national technical assistance specifically for state courts.
- Provides grants to state and local courts and court-support organizations.
 - Technical assistance grants
 - Project grants
 - Curriculum adaptation and training grants
 - Strategic initiatives grants

Need for a Funding Toolkit

SJI's mission is to improve the quality of justice in state courts and foster innovative, efficient solutions to common issues faced by all courts.

- SJI has limited funds and there are a LOT of courts in need.
- Courts often lack the time and capacity to search for funding opportunities and consider how these opportunities can meet state court needs.
- Courts are overwhelmed by the grantwriting and grant-management process.
- Collaboration is often needed to successfully compete for federal funding.
- The toolkit is designed to assist courts and their justice partners in overcoming barriers to successfully accessing grant funds.

Toolkit Timeline

Launch Toolkit & Technical Assistance (April 2020) Grant Administration Resources (Fall 2020)

FY 2021 Funding Opportunities (Winter 2020-2021)











Podcasts & Planning Resources

(Spring & Summer 2020)



Funding Sources

Federal Grants

- Discretionary Grants: Funding that is awarded on a competitive basis to eligible applicants.
- Formula Funding: Funding that is automatically awarded if the recipient is eligible.

This webinar will focus exclusively on discretionary grants as there are more direct opportunities for courts with discretionary grants. The Toolkit will, in time, contain information about formula funding to help you identify potential partnerships.

Philanthropic Funding

 Foundation funding is awarded quite differently than Federal grants. In the fall we will add resources to the Toolkit on philanthropic funding.

There are also state grants. Some state grants represent Federal funding the state has received that they are passing down to localities. The Toolkit will not focus on state grants since they are unique to each state.

Funding Sources

Why are we focusing on federal funding first?

- For most federal agencies, there is a predictable time period in which most solicitations are released. Typically that is between December – May.
- There are several solicitations that are currently out on the street where state courts can be the direct applicant or the beneficiary of funding.
- Even if your court does not have the capacity to put together a solicitation this year, many grant programs do not change from year to year. Learning about the grant programs now and using the summer and fall to prepare to apply next year is strategic.

Key Federal Funding Agencies and Their Areas of Focus

Federal Agencies	Areas of Focus
Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)	Projects and services in all parts of the adult criminal justice system, including state courts. Funding for behavioral health for justice-involved individuals.
Office for Victims of Crime (OVC)	Programs and services for crime victims.
Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP)	Projects and services in all parts of the juvenile justice and family court system.
United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)	Projects and services that serve rural communities and support infrastructure development.
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)	Primarily behavioral health treatment and prevention. Some funding for courts, employment, peer recovery, etc.
Center for Disease Control (CDC)	Public health services – including those that support substance abuse interventions.
Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)	Health and behavioral health services in rural communities.
Department of Labor (DOL)	Grants for workforce development, employment training, etc. There are some grant programs specific to individuals in recovery.
Administration for Children and Families	Projects and services for children exposed to family violence or other forms of abuse or neglect.

Today's Overview of Funding Opportunities

Key Questions to Ask Yourself as You Review an Opportunity

- Am I eligible?
 - Is my court eligible to apply directly?
 - o Is my county eligible to apply?
 - o Is a partner agency eligible to apply?
 - O Would a state agency apply on my behalf?
- Does this meet a strategic priority for my court or community/state?
 - O Do I have data to articulate my need?
- Do I have the capacity to put together a successful application this year by the deadline?
 - o If no, do I have a partner who has the capacity?
 - o Can I develop a partnership?
 - O Does my county have a grant writer?
 - o Can I hire a grant writer?
 - Should I save this opportunity for next year?
- How competitive is the funding opportunity?
 - o How many awards are going to be made?

Current Court-Related Funding Opportunities

Fiscal Year 2020

SJI Grants

Priority Investment Areas FY2020

- Emergency Preparedness and Cybersecurity
- Opioids and the State Courts Response
- Human Trafficking Issues and the State Courts
- Guardianship, Conservatorship, and Elder Issues
- Juvenile Justice Reform
- Reengineering to Improve Court Operations
- Fines, Fees, and Bail Practices
- Family and Civil Justice Reform
- Self-Represented Litigation
- Language Access

SJI Technical Assistance Grants

Funding Agency: State Justice Institute

Eligibility: State and local courts and courtsupport organizations

Length of Award: Up to 12 months

Required Match: Match of not less than 50% of the grant amount, of which at least 10% must be cash

Link to Description:

https://www.sji.gov/grants/technical-assistance-grants/

Link to Grant Forms:

https://www.sji.gov/forms/



Due: First of the month in February, May, August, and November each year

PURPOSE	FUNDING AMOUNT
Technical Assistance Grants may cover the cost of obtaining the services of expert consultants; travel by a team of officials from one court to examine a practice, program, or facility in another jurisdiction that the applicant court is interested in replicating; or both.	Up to \$50,000

SJI Curriculum Adaptation & Training Grants

Funding Agency: State Justice Institute

Eligibility: state and local courts and courtsupport organizations

Length of Award: 6 to 12 months

Required Match: match of not less than 50% of the grant amount, of which at least 10% must be cash

Link to Description:

https://www.sji.gov/grants/curriculum-adaptation-training-grant/

Link to Grant Forms:

https://www.sji.gov/forms/

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Due: First of the month in February, May, August, and November each year

PURPOSE	FUNDING AMOUNT
Curriculum adaptation and training grants are available for courts to adapt curricula or conduct educational and training programs.	Up to \$30,000

SJI Project Grants

Funding Agency: State Justice Institute

Eligibility: State and local courts and court-

support organizations

Length of Award: Up to 3 years

Required Match: Cash match of not less than 50% (i.e., grant funds must be matched at least dollar-for-dollar by grant applicants)

Link to Description:

https://www.sji.gov/grants/project-grants/

Link to Grant Forms:

https://www.sji.gov/forms/



Due: First of the month in February, May, August, and November each year

PURPOSE	FUNDING AMOUNT
Project Grants are intended to support innovative research, demonstration, education, or technical assistance projects such as those that:	Up to \$300,000
 Formulate new procedures and techniques, or creatively enhance existing procedures and techniques. 	
 Address aspects of the state judicial systems that are in special need of serious attention. 	
 Have national significance by developing products, services, and techniques that may be used in other states. 	
 Create and disseminate products that effectively transfer the information and ideas developed to relevant audiences in state and local judicial systems or provide technical assistance to facilitate the adaptation of effective programs and procedures in other state and local jurisdictions. 	

Funding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance

Anticipated # of Awards: Up to 14 awards

Length of Award: 36 months

Required Match: No match is required

Link to Solicitation:

https://bja.ojp.gov/sites/g/files/xyckuh186/files/media/document/bja-2020-17093.pdf



Due: May 1, 2020

CATEGORY	FUNDING AMOUNT
Category 1: Improving Court Processing and Efficient Docket Management	Up to \$1,000,000
States, Territories, Local units of government, State and local courts, Federally recognized Indian tribes	
Category 2: Improving and Implementing Pre-trial Systems	Up to \$1,000,000
States, Territories, Local units of government, State and local courts, Federally recognized Indian tribes	
Category 3: Innovative Approaches to Improve the Efficacy of State, Local, and Tribal Justice Systems	Up to \$1,000,000
States, Territories, Local units of government, State and local courts, Federally recognized Indian tribes	

CATEGORY 1: IMPROVING COURT PROCESSING AND EFFICIENT DOCKET MANAGEMENT

Identify and address the challenges that prevent efficient, timely, and effective court case processing.

Applicants should review their court system data, policies, and procedures to identify opportunities to improve docket management, thus reducing unnecessary costs and delays that negatively impact the justice system and public safety.

CATEGORY 2: IMPROVING AND IMPLEMENTING PRE-TRIAL SYSTEMS

Identify and address the challenges faced by jurisdictions in making pre-trial release decisions that are timely, risk-informed, and fair, and assure a defendant's court appearance while protecting public safety.

Applicants should review their pre-trial data, policies, and procedures to identify opportunities for planning, implementation, and enhancements to better determine a defendant's level of risk to public safety; to reduce the likelihood of their failure to appear in court if released pending trial; and opportunities to create or enhance pre-trial release assessment services.

CATEGORY 3: INNOVATIVE APPROACHES TO IMPROVE THE EFFICACY OF STATE, LOCAL, AND TRIBAL JUSTICE SYSTEMS

Identify innovative approaches to address persistent or emerging crime and public safety problems, or the impediments/barriers to address them.

Applicants should review the entire criminal justice system spectrum—from event to reentry—to identify innovative opportunities for improvement that align with holding violent offenders accountable, addressing the opioid epidemic, supporting law enforcement and correctional institutions, and supporting victims of violent crime.

OBJECTIVES AND DELIVERABLES

Using the Justice Reinvestment approach, applicants should address the objectives and deliverables below that apply across all three categories.

Objectives:

- Collect and analyze data and identify the impediments/barriers to addressing the categoryspecific criminal justice system challenges.
- Engage stakeholders across the justice system (e.g., law enforcement, court administrators, judges, jails, treatment providers) to diagnose and develop coordinated responses to the category-specific challenges.
- Test, establish, and/or expand innovative ideas and evidence-based strategies to address the category-specific criminal justice system challenges.

Eligible Drug Court Types Under This Solicitation

- Adult drug courts
- Driving while intoxicated (DWI)/driving under the influence (DUI) courts
- Co-occurring courts (participants possess both a substance abuse and mental illness diagnosis)
- Veterans treatment courts
- Tribal healing to wellness courts

Funding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance

Anticipated # of Awards: Up to 96 awards

Length of Award: 36 months

Required Match: 25% cash or in-kind match

Link to Solicitation:

https://bja.ojp.gov/sites/g/files/xyckuh186/files/media/document/bja-2020-17098.pdf



Due: June 1, 2020

CATEGORY	FUNDING AMOUNT
Category 1: Implementation of Veterans Treatment Courts: States and territories, state and local courts, counties, units of local government, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments.	Up to \$500,000
Category 2: Veterans Treatment Courts: States and territories, state and local courts, counties, units of local government, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments.	Up to \$500,000
Category 3: Adult Drug Courts: States and territories, state and local courts, counties, units of local government, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments.	Up to \$500,000
Category 4: Statewide Strategies to Support ADCs and VTCs: State agencies such as the State Administering Agency, the Administrative Office of the Courts, and the State Substance Abuse Agency.	Up to \$750,000

CATEGORY 1: IMPLEMENTATION OF VETERANS TREATMENT COURTS

Implementation grants are available to eligible jurisdictions that have completed a substantial amount of planning and are ready to implement an evidence-based veterans treatment court.

Funds may be used to:

- Support core capacity and provide critical treatment
- Case management and coordination
- Judicial supervision
- Sanctions and incentive services
- Other key resources, such as transitional housing, relapse prevention, and employment, that can reduce recidivism.

CATEGORY 2: VETERANS TREATMENT COURTS

Grants are available to eligible jurisdictions with a fully-operational veterans treatment court.

Funds may be used to:

- Scale up the veterans treatment court program's capacity
- Provide access to or enhance treatment capacity or other critical support services
- Enhance court operations
- Expand or enhance court services
- Improve the quality and/or intensity of services based on needs assessments.

CATEGORY 3: PROVIDES FUNDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW DRUG COURTS AND/OR ENHANCING DRUG COURTS

Implementation grants are available to eligible jurisdictions that are ready to implement a drug court.

Funds may be used to:

- Launch a new drug court
- Scale up the drug court program's capacity
- Provide access to or enhance treatment capacity
- Enhance court operations
- Expand or enhance court services
- Improve the quality and/or intensity of services based on needs assessments

CATEGORY 4: STATEWIDE EFFORTS TO ENHANCE OR EXPAND SERVICES FOR ADULT DRUG COURTS AND VETERANS TREATMENT COURTS

State applicants may apply for funding to improve, enhance, or expand drug court and veterans treatment court services statewide. Activities include:

- Scaling up the drug court program's capacity
- Launching a drug court
- Conducting audits of practice and technical assistance for adherence to standards
- Data collection and analysis to assess practice and track recidivism
- Training and technical assistance (TTA)

FY 2020 National Community Courts Site-Based Initiative

Funding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance

Anticipated # of Awards: Up to 10 awards

Length of Award: 24 months

Required Match: 25% cash or in-kind match

Link to Solicitation:

https://bja.ojp.gov/sites/g/files/xyckuh186/files/media/document/bja-2020-17249.pdf



Due: May 1, 2020

CATEGORY	FUNDING AMOUNT
Category 1: Implementation or Enhancement: States and territories, state and local courts, units of local government, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments.	Up to \$400,000
All Category 1 applicants under this solicitation must demonstrate how the proposed community court conforms to the key community court principles.	
For more information on community courts see https://www.bja.gov/national-community-courts-program/index.html	

FY 2020 National Community Courts Site-Based Initiative

IMPLEMENTATION GRANTS

Implementation grants are available to eligible jurisdictions that have completed a substantial amount of planning and are ready to establish a community court. An applicant may propose to use funding for case management, supervision and treatment services, and/or the provision and coordination of recovery support services.

Courts must ensure that participants are tested periodically for the use of controlled substances, including medical marijuana. Courts must impose graduated sanctions that increase punitive measures, therapeutic measures, or both whenever a participant fails a drug test.

ENHANCEMENT GRANTS

Enhancement grants are available to eligible jurisdictions with an existing community court that has been fully operational for at least one year as of September 30, 2020.

An applicant may propose to use funding to:

- Scale up the court program's capacity
- Enhance court operations to serve a specific population, such as veterans
- Expand or enhance court services
- Improve the quality and/or intensity of services based on needs assessments
- Complete a program evaluation

Funding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance

Anticipated # of Awards: Up to 25 awards

Length of Award: 36 months

Required Match: 20% cash or in-kind match in years 1 and 2 and 40% cash or in-kind match in

year 3

Link to Solicitation:

https://bja.ojp.gov/sites/g/files/xyckuh186/files/media/document/bja-2020-17114.pdf



Due: May 18, 2020

ELIGIBILITY	FUNDING AMOUNT
Eligibility: States and territories, units of local government, and federally recognized Indian tribal government.	Up to \$750,000
BJA will only accept applications that demonstrate the proposed project will be administered jointly by an agency with responsibility for criminal or juvenile justice activities and a mental health agency.	

PURPOSE AREA 1: EMBEDDING CLINICIANS IN LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES

This purpose area allows for social workers and/or mental health professionals to be placed (embedded) in law enforcement agencies to assist officers during encounters with people in mental health crisis. Applicants under this purpose area can use funding to pay for salaries as well as other expenses, such as training and other coordination activities, to ensure implementation of the collaborative program.

PURPOSE AREA 2: SUPPORT FOR MENTAL HEALTH CENTERS

This purpose area funds operational expenses for centers that provide assistance to those with severe mental health needs who are at risk of recidivism. These mental health centers can provide, but are not limited to, the following services: crisis care, residential treatment, outpatient mental health and primary care services, and community reentry support



PURPOSE AREA 3: MITIGATING THREATS OF TARGETED VIOLENCE

This purpose area supports law enforcement and prosecutors to respond to and mitigate threats of targeted violence.

Funds under this purpose area can be used by state and local prosecutors and investigators to seek assistance from mental health professionals and threat assessment experts to identify and disrupt individuals who are mobilizing toward violence.

In FY 2020, priority consideration will be given to applications that:

Priority Considerations

- Promote effective strategies to expand the use of mental health courts and related services.
- Promote effective strategies by law enforcement to identify and reduce the risk of harm to individuals with mental illness (MI) or co-occurring mental illness and substance abuse (CMISA) and to public safety.
- Promote effective strategies for identification and treatment of female offenders with MI and CMISA.
- Propose interventions that have been shown by empirical evidence to reduce recidivism.
- When appropriate, use validated assessment tools to target offenders with a moderate or high risk of recidivism and a need for treatment services.

FY 2020 Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program (COSSAP)

Funding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance

Anticipated # of Awards: Up to 120 awards

Length of Award: 36 months

Required Match: None

Link to Solicitation:

https://bja.ojp.gov/sites/g/files/xyckuh186/files/media/document/bja-2020-17023.pdf



Due: May 21, 2020

CATEGORY	FUNDING AMOUNT
Category 1: Units of local government or federally recognized Indian tribal governments.	
Subcategory 1a: Population greater than 500,000	Up to \$1,200,000
Subcategory 1b: Population between 100,000 to 500,000	Up to \$900,000
Subcategory 1c: Population fewer than 100,000	Up to \$600,000
Category 2: State applications	Up to \$6,000,000

FY 2020 Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program (COSSAP)

Allowable Use of Funds

- Court-based intervention programs or family court programming to prioritize and expedite treatment and recovery services to individuals at high risk for overdose. Funding is available under other BJA solicitations to implement or enhance an adult drug court and/or a veterans treatment court. As such, implementing or enhancing these court models is not an allowable funding activity under this solicitation.
- Evidence-based treatment, such as medication-assisted treatment (MAT).
- Recovery support services including transitional or recovery housing and peer recovery support services. No more than 30 percent of total grant funds may be used for transitional or recovery housing.
- Prebooking or postbooking treatment alternative-to-incarceration programs that serve individuals at high risk for overdose or substance abuse.
- Law enforcement and other first responder diversion programs.
- Education and prevention programs to connect law enforcement agencies with K-12 students. Per congressional report language, no less than \$5 million will be made available for this activity.
- Embedding social services with law enforcement in order to rapidly respond to drug overdoses where children are impacted. Comprehensive, real-time, regional information collection, analysis, and dissemination.
- Naloxone for law enforcement and other first responders.
- Identifiable and accessible take-back programs for unused controlled substances found in the home and used by hospitals and long-term care facilities.

Funding Agency: Office of Juvenile Justice and

Delinquency Prevention

Anticipated # of Awards: Up to 6 awards

Length of Award: 36 months

Required Match: 20% cash or in-kind match in years 1 and 2 and 40% cash or in-kind match in

year 3

Link to Solicitation:

https://ojjdp.ojp.gov/sites/g/files/xyckuh176/files/media/document/ojjdp-2020-17927.pdf



Due: May 4, 2020

ELIGIBILITY	FUNDING AMOUNT
Eligibility: States and territories, units of local government, and federally recognized Indian tribal government.	Up to \$750,000
OJJDP will only accept applications that demonstrate that the proposed project will be administered jointly by an agency with responsibility for juvenile justice activities ("juvenile justice agency")(which may include a mental health court) and a mental health agency.	

FY 2020 Juvenile Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program Allowable Uses of Funds

PHASE 1: PLANNING

OJJDP will allow 4 to 6 months for a Planning Phase to begin after the grantee receives OJP budget approval. Up to \$50,000 of grant funds may be used to support the Planning Phase.

Applicants should identify in their application specific planning activities that support the implementation of their proposed program. In order for a grantee to access Phase 2: Implementation funding, grantees will be required to work with OJJDP to demonstrate the completion of all proposed planning activities. Once a grantee is awarded funds, OJJDP will guide them through the process and will also provide no-cost training and technical assistance to support this phase.

PHASE 2: IMPLEMENTATION

Funds must be used to create or expand:

- Mental health courts or other court-based programs serving youth.
- Programs that offer specialized training to officers, employees of a juvenile justice agency, and mental health personnel in order to better respond to youth with mental illness (MI) or Co-Occurring Mental Illness and Substance Abuse (CMISA).
- Programs that support the collaborative efforts of juvenile justice and mental health agencies to promote public safety by offering mental health treatment services and, where appropriate, substance abuse treatment services, for youth with MI or CMISA.
- Programs that support intergovernmental cooperation to address enhanced support to youth with MI or CMISA.

FY 2020 Juvenile Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program Priority Consideration

Program-Specific Priority Areas

In FY 2020, priority consideration will be given to applications as follows:

- Promote effective strategies by law enforcement to identify and reduce risk of harm for youth with MI or CMSIA.
- Promote effective strategies for identification and treatment of juvenile-involved female youth with MI and CMSIA.
- Promote effective strategies to expand the use of mental health courts, including use of pretrial services and related treatment programs for justice-involved youth.
- Propose interventions that have been shown by empirical evidence to reduce recidivism.
- When appropriate, use validated assessment tools to target justice-involved youth with a moderate or high risk of recidivism and a need for treatment services.

FY 2020 Reducing Risk for Girls in the Juvenile Justice System

Funding Agency: Office of Juvenile Justice and

Delinquency Prevention

Anticipated # of Awards: Up to 4 awards

Length of Award: 36 months

Required Match: No match required

Link to Solicitation:

https://ojjdp.ojp.gov/sites/g/files/xyckuh176/files/media/document/ojjdp-2020-17412.pdf



Due: June 1, 2020

ELIGIBILITY	FUNDING AMOUNT
Eligibility: States and territories, units of local government, federally recognized Indian tribal governments, nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher education.	Up to \$425,000

FY 2020 Reducing Risk for Girls in the Juvenile Justice System Objectives and Deliverables

The goal of this program is to reduce risk factors and promote protective factors for girls who come in contact with the juvenile justice system, and place them on a path toward success, stability, and long-term contribution to society.

The objectives and deliverables of this program are as follows:

- Develop and implement direct service programs for girls involved in the juvenile justice system to reduce reoffending.
- Enhance or expand existing prevention and early intervention programs to meet the specific needs of girls involved in the juvenile justice system.
- Develop, expand, or enhance targeted curricula for staff (i.e., probation, detention center staff, law enforcement, judges) to ensure they have the skills necessary to implement these programs for girls in the juvenile justice system.

OJJDP expects these programs to be based upon best practices and may include a variety of services (i.e., in-home services, screening/assessment, educational, counseling, etc.).

Current Funding Opportunities for Court Partners

Fiscal Year 2020

FY 2020 Strategies to Support Children Exposed to Violence

Funding Agency: Office of Juvenile Justice and

Delinquency Prevention

Anticipated # of Awards: Up to 7 awards

Length of Award: 36 months

Required Match: No match required

Link to Solicitation:

https://ojjdp.ojp.gov/sites/g/files/xyckuh176/files/media/document/ojjdp-2020-17926.pdf



Due: April 27, 2020

ELIGIBILITY	FUNDING AMOUNT
Eligibility: States and territories, units of local government, federally recognized Indian tribal governments, nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher education.	Up to \$1,000,000

FY 2020 Strategies to Support Children Exposed to Violence

Objectives and Deliverables

The goals of the program are to:

- Reduce the incidence of violence through accountability efforts for juvenile offenders
- Respond to victimization of children whether as a result of violence that occurs in the school, community, or family
- Increase protective factors to prevent juvenile violence, delinquency, and victimization

The objectives and deliverables include the following:

- Enhance and/or develop and implement supportive services for children exposed to violence in their homes, schools, and communities.
- Develop community-based approaches and crime-reduction strategies that focus on prevention and intervention of violent crime, and accountability for youth offenders.
- Provide outreach strategies to increase awareness and build the capacity of families and communities to help children exposed to violence.
- Applicants must propose and undertake their work through a multidisciplinary team of stakeholders, which may be
 either an existing collaborative group or one that is formed specifically for this project.

Funding Agency: Office for Victims of Crime

Anticipated # of Awards: Up to 30 awards, 10

per category

Length of Award: 36 months

Required Match: 25% cash or in-kind match

Link to Solicitation:

https://www.ovc.gov/grants/pdftxt/fy-2020-services-for-victims-of-human-trafficking.pdf



Due: May 18, 2020

ELIGIBILITY	FUNDING AMOUNT
Purpose Area 1: Developing Capacity to Serve Human Trafficking Victims: States and territories, units of local government, federally recognized Indian tribal governments, nonprofit, nongovernmental victims' service organizations with the capacity to serve human trafficking victims	Up to \$350,000
Purpose Area 2: Enhancing Scope of Services for Human Trafficking Victims: Same as above	Up to \$750,000
Purpose Area 3: Specialized Services for Human Trafficking Victims: Same as above	Up to \$550,000

PURPOSE AREA 1: DEVELOPING CAPACITY TO SERVE HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIMS

Awards will be made to organizations that have not received OVC human trafficking grants since 2015. The purpose of these awards is to support organizations that have limited or no prior experience in serving victims of human trafficking.

During the first 12 months, grantees will create and submit a plan for how they will acquire staff who have experience providing services to human trafficking victims, or train existing staff to address identified skill or knowledge deficits. In the last 24 months of this program, grantees will implement services for human trafficking victims.

PURPOSE AREA 2: ENHANCING SCOPE OF SERVICES FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIMS

Awards will be made to victim service organizations with a demonstrated history of providing a range of services to victims of human trafficking. The purpose of these awards is to enhance the scope of services offered by the organization (directly or through partnerships) that victims of human trafficking often require to address their needs.

Entities that received human trafficking grants from OVC in FY 2018 or FY 2019 must detail how the new proposed project is different from existing funded project(s) to be considered for FY 2020 funding.

PURPOSE AREA 3: SPECIALIZED SERVICES FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIMS

Awards will be made to victim service organizations with a demonstrated history of providing a specialized service to victims of human trafficking. The goal is to increase the quality and quantity of the specialized service to assist victims of all forms of human trafficking.

Entities that have received human trafficking grants from OVC in FY 2018 or FY 2019 must detail how the new proposed project would differ from, or expand, the existing funded project(s) to be considered for funding in FY 2020. For example, applicants could focus on a new geographic area or provide a new service to meet the needs of victims of sex and labor trafficking.

Objectives and Deliverables

The primary goal of this program is to develop, expand, or strengthen victim service programs for victims of human trafficking, including programs that provide trauma-informed services.

The objective in providing these services is to achieve increased safety, independence, self-sufficiency, and well-being for victims of human trafficking.

Objectives include:

- Provision of services to meet the individualized needs of victims of human trafficking
- Collaboration with and training for local partners (e.g., service providers, criminal justice professionals, members of the judiciary, community and faith-based organizations) to ensure trafficking victims are properly identified and referred for appropriate services
- Assistance or referrals to other essential services for victims of human trafficking
- Data collection and participation in evaluation activities to determine if the program is meeting stated goals and objectives

Service Categories

Types of Services	Types of Services
Advocacy and Legal AssistanceCriminal Justice System-Based AdvocacyLegal Services	Reunification and Repatriation Services • Family Reunification • Repatriation
 Client Coordination Client Intake Client Orientation Ongoing Case Management Social Service Advocacy and Explanation of Benefits/Entitlements/Availability 	 Provision of Material and Housing Assistance Childcare Financial Assistance Housing/Shelter Advocacy Housing/Shelter Assistance Personal Items
 Client Safety and Well-Being Crisis Intervention Emotional/Moral Support (Informal Counseling) Mental Health Treatment (Emergency and Long-Term) Protection/Safety Planning 	 Health-Related Services Dental (Emergency and Long-Term) Medical Care (Emergency and Long-Term) Substance Abuse Treatment
Education and Employment AssistanceEducationEmployment Assistance	Support ServicesInterpreter/TranslatorTransportation

Funding Agency: Office for Victims of Crime

Anticipated # of Awards: Up to 4 awards

Length of Award: 36 months

Required Match: 25% cash or in-kind match

Link to Solicitation:

https://www.ovc.gov/grants/pdftxt/fy-2020ht-improving-outcomes-for-child-and-youth.pdf



Due: May 18, 2020

ELIGIBILITY	FUNDING AMOUNT
States and territories, federally recognized Indian tribal governments	Up to \$1.5 million

Objectives and Deliverables

For purposes of this solicitation, a victim of trafficking is defined as a person who has been subjected to a "severe form of trafficking in persons," which, as defined in 22 U.S.C. § 7102(11), means:

- Sex trafficking in which a commercial sex act is induced by force, fraud, or coercion, or in which the person induced to perform such an act has not attained 18 years of age; or
- The recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for labor or services through the use of force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery.

For the purposes of this program, "child or children" refers to persons under the age of 18, and "youth" refers to individuals ages 16–24 (reflecting the age range covered by the Federal Government's Interagency Working Group on Youth Programs), unless the state or tribe has another definition for "youth" in state or tribal law.

Objectives and Deliverables

The overall goal of the program is to improve responses for child and youth victims of trafficking with a focus on coordination at the statewide or tribal jurisdiction level to create effective change across systems. Recognizing that each jurisdiction is unique, applicants should identify the state or tribe's greatest barriers to identifying and assisting child and youth victims of sex and labor trafficking and/or to investigating and prosecuting these trafficking cases and propose a program to systematically address those barriers.

Objectives include the following:

- Develop and implement a jurisdiction-wide strategy to combat the greatest challenge areas in child and youth sex and labor trafficking within the state or tribe.
- Develop protocols and procedures to ensure child and youth victims receive appropriate services, including
 developmentally, age-appropriate, and/or linguistically tailored referrals and/or services; and strengthening data
 collection across multiple systems of care that work with and provide services to youth.
- Develop a unified strategy to provide training to professionals throughout the jurisdiction including, but not limited to, law enforcement officers, first responders, victim service providers, health care professionals, child welfare officials, juvenile justice personnel, prosecutors, judicial personnel, and other relevant organizations.

Objectives and Deliverables

Objectives include the following (cont.):

- Fill gaps in existing services and coordinate responses in existing anti-trafficking and youth-serving efforts, including those related to victim assistance, law enforcement, child welfare, runaway and homeless youth, and juvenile justice, among others. Applicants should determine if there is an existing federally funded trafficking victim service provider within their jurisdiction, and work to ensure that the new application does not duplicate existing services currently funded by OVC, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), the Office on Violence Against Women, or another federal office or agency.
- Conduct data collection evaluation activities to determine if the program is meeting stated goals and objectives.

Funding Agency: Office for Victims of Crime

Anticipated # of Awards: Up to 25 awards

Length of Award: 36 months

Required Match: No match requirement

Link to Solicitation:

https://www.ovc.gov/grants/pdftxt/fy-2020-enhancing-community-responses-to-drug-crisis.pdf



Due: May 4, 2020

CATEGORY	FUNDING AMOUNT
Category 1: States and territories; units of local government or federally recognized Indian tribal governments; nonprofit, nongovernmental victim and social service organizations with the capacity to serve young crime victims affected by the addiction crisis; for-profit organizations with the capacity to serve young crime victims affected by the addiction crisis; and institutions of higher education (including tribal institutions of higher education)	Up to \$700,000

Objectives and Deliverables

Under Purpose Area 1, program objectives are to:

- Increase the quality and quantity of direct services, including treatment for infants suffering from neonatal abstinence syndrome, and support to children, youth, and their caregivers
- Provide assistance or referrals to other essential services for young victims and their families/caregivers
- Collaborate with and provide training to local partners
- Improve outcomes for child and youth victims, depending on types of services provided (e.g., health and well-being, family stability, school outcomes)
- Use local data sources to identify and address the most pressing local needs

Program-Specific Information

Under this program, a young victim of the addiction crisis is:

- A child or youth, from newborn to 18 years old
- A victim of any type of crime (e.g., child abuse or neglect, physical or sexual assault, domestic or family violence, DUI or DWI)
- Impacted by the current addiction crisis (i.e., opioids, methamphetamines, other misused substances, and polysubstance abuse)

Program-Specific Information

- Under Purpose Area 1, direct service grantees will support children, youth, and their caregivers—either directly or through a partner—with ongoing services such as mental health treatment, including individual counseling and other types of therapy; advocacy; trauma-informed treatment; support groups; and case management.
- Purpose Area 1 grantees will work in partnership with local community-based victim service agencies and
 agencies dedicated to substance abuse treatment and recovery so that grantees may refer family members or
 caregivers to addiction treatment and recovery services that are not provided through this grant (e.g., substance
 abuse treatment, housing, legal services).
- Under this program, direct services refer to activities such as:
 - o Providing information about services for young victims impacted by addiction
 - o Referral to specialized, evidence-based, trauma-informed victim services for children and youth
 - Personal advocacy on behalf of a victim
 - Accompaniment to meetings, hearings, and appointments
 - Medical services including treatment for neonatal abstinence syndrome
 - Emotional support on-scene of a substance overdose or drug-related offense where a young victim is present, as well as continued support after the incident, such as mental health treatment including individual counseling, support groups, and other types of therapy

Funding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance

Anticipated # of Awards: Up to 25 awards

Length of Award: 36 months

Required Match: No match requirement

Link to Solicitation:

https://bja.ojp.gov/sites/g/files/xyckuh186/files/media/document/bja-2020-17106.pdf



Due: April 27, 2020

ELIGIBILITY	FUNDING AMOUNT
Category 1: Units or state, local or tribal government	Up to \$900,000
Category 2: Nonprofit organizations	Up to \$900,000

Objectives and Deliverables

Objectives

- Improve the provision of drug treatment to offenders in prisons, jails, and juvenile facilities, including provision of prison-based family treatment programs to incarcerated parents of minor children or pregnant women.
- Reduce the use of alcohol and other drugs by long-term substance abusers during the period of incarceration and during parole or court supervision.

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Mandated Project Components

All applicants:

- Standardize screening and assessment processes for substance use disorders using a validated tool for offenders entering a correctional facility (e.g., booking, intake, or classifications).
- Provide evidence-based pre- and post-release substance use and cognitive behavioral interventions to address criminogenic risk factors.
- Establish medication-assisted treatment as part of any drug treatment program to offenders who are in a prison or jail.
- Collect and use data to determine the effectiveness of the BJA-funded drug treatment programs.

Applicants for prison-based programs:

- The program shall integrate techniques to assess the strengths and needs of the incarcerated parent's immediate and extended family to support a treatment plan for the incarcerated parent.
- The program shall ensure that each participant in that program has access to consistent and uninterrupted care if transferred to a different correctional facility within the state or other relevant entity.
- The program shall be located in an area separate from the general population of the prison.

Allowable Uses of Funds

- Continue and improve drug treatment programs, including the provision of medication assisted treatment, provided at a prison, jail, or juvenile facility.
- Provide prison-based family treatment programs to incarcerated parents of minor children or pregnant women.
- Develop and implement programs for supervised long-term substance abusers that include alcohol and drug
 abuse assessments, coordinated and continuous delivery of drug treatment, and case management services.
- Strengthen rehabilitation efforts for offenders by providing addiction recovery support services.
- Provide for salaries, personnel costs, facility costs, and other costs directly related to the operation of that program.

Prerelease Access

- Participants are expected to be screened, assessed, and identified for program participation pre-release.
- During the post-release phase of the reentry program, participants will receive case management services and be connected to evidence-based programming designed to assist in the transition from prison or jail to the community so that it is safe and successful.
- Where feasible, case management services and evidence-based programming should begin during the pre-release phase.

FY 2020 Correctional Adult Reentry Education, Employment, and Recidivism Reduction Strategies (CAREERRS)

Funding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance

Anticipated # of Awards: Up to 8 awards

Length of Award: 36 months

Required Match: No match requirement

Link to Solicitation:

https://bja.ojp.gov/sites/g/files/xyckuh186/files/media/document/bja-2020-17104.pdf



Due: April 27, 2020

ELIGIBILITY	FUNDING AMOUNT
Category 1: Units or components of state government agencies	Up to \$900,000
Category 2: Units or components of county or city local government agencies	Up to \$900,000
Category 3 : Federally-recognized Indian tribal governments (as determined by the Secretary of the Interior)	Up to \$900,000
Category 4: Nonprofit organizations with a documented history of providing comprehensive reentry services	Up to \$900,000

FY 2020 Correctional Adult Reentry Education, Employment, and Recidivism Reduction Strategies (CAREERRS) Objectives and Deliverables

Program-Specific Information

BJA is seeking applications to implement or expand education and employment programs that emphasize strong partnerships with corrections, parole, probation, education, workforce development, and reentry service providers, in order to enhance employment prospects for incarcerated youths and adults reentering the workforce.

These partnerships can support the establishment and improvement of academic and vocational education programs and career training programs available in prisons, jails, and juvenile facilities.

Programs should be focused on the 3-year period before release, as well as upon transition and reentry into the community.

Objectives and Deliverables Objectives

- Implement or expand educational, vocational, and employment programs for incarcerated juvenile and adult
 offenders that result in improved educational and employment outcomes, as measured by certifications and other
 credentials, diplomas, and jobs.
- Demonstrate increased collaboration between educational and workforce service providers and corrections, community supervision providers, and other reentry stakeholders.

FY 2020 Correctional Adult Reentry Education, Employment, and Recidivism Reduction Strategies (CAREERRS)

Program-Specific Priority Areas

In FY 2020, and in addition to executing any OJP policy prioritization that may be applicable, priority consideration will be given to applications as follows:

- Applications that provide for assessment of local demand for employees in the geographic areas to which
 offenders are likely to return.
- Applications that propose to conduct individualized reentry career planning upon the start of incarceration or post-release employment planning for each offender served under the grant.
- Applications that demonstrate connections to employers within the local community.
- Applications that propose to track and monitor employment outcomes.

FY 2020 Correctional Adult Reentry Education, Employment, and Recidivism Reduction Strategies (CAREERRS)

Allowable Uses of Funds

- Establish/improve/expand educational and vocational programming and services for incarcerated juveniles and adults, including competency-based learning over a range of services from literacy, high school diploma/equivalency, to labor market needs-informed vocational education.
- Establish/improve/expand career training programs that are informed by the labor market needs in the geographic areas to which incarcerated individuals will return.
- Continually assess local demand for employees in the geographic areas to which offenders are likely to return and adjust educational and employment goals accordingly.
- Develop partnerships with local employers.
- Conduct individualized reentry career planning programs at the start of incarceration or post-release employment planning programs for program participants.
- Subsidize wages or other employment costs as part of a career training program.
- Provide transitional services to assist in the reintegration of offenders into the community.
- Train corrections and service provider leadership and staff in CAREERRS programming.
- Track and monitor employment outcomes.

Funding Agency: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Anticipated # of Awards: Up to 8 awards

Length of Award: Up to 5 years

Required Match: No match requirement

Link to Solicitation:

https://www.samhsa.gov/sites/default/files/grants/pdf/fy-2020-workforce-support-foa.pdf



Due: June 1, 2020

ELIGIBILITY	FUNDING AMOUNT
Entities that provide treatment or recovery services for individuals with substance use disorders and partner with one or more local or state stakeholders, which may include local employers, community organizations, the local workforce development board, local and state governments, and Indian tribes or tribal organizations, to support recovery, independent living, and participation in the workforce.	Up to \$500,000/year for 5 years (2.5 million)

Purpose

The purpose of this program is to implement evidence-based programs to support individuals in substance use disorder treatment and recovery to live independently and participate in the workforce.

To achieve this objective, recipients must coordinate, as applicable, with Indian tribes or tribal organizations, state and local workforce development boards (see definitions), lead state agencies responsible for a workforce investment activity (see definitions), and state agencies responsible for carrying out substance use disorder prevention and treatment programs.

State Workforce Development Board: Includes the governor, a member of each chamber of the state legislature; and members appointed by the governor, of which a majority shall represent businesses (e.g., business owners, chief executives of businesses, employers with optimum policy making or hiring authority, members of local board) in the state. Not less than 20 percent shall be representatives of the workforce within the state, and the balance shall include representatives of government (e.g., lead state officials with responsibility for the core programs, chief elected officials representing both cities and counties), and other representatives the governor may designate.

Local Workforce Development Board: Is certified by the governor. A majority of the members shall be representatives of businesses in the local area (e.g., business owners, chief executives of businesses, employers with optimum policy making or hiring authority). Not less than 20 percent shall be representatives of the workforce within the local area. Each local board shall include representatives of entities administering education and training activities; representatives of governmental and economic and community development; and may include such other individuals or representatives of entities as the chief elected official in the local area.

Important Registration Information

All applicants MUST register with NIH's eRA Commons in order to submit an application. This process takes up to six weeks. If you believe you are interested in applying for this opportunity, you MUST start the registration process immediately. Do not wait to start this process.

BY THE DEADLINE YOU MUST HAVE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THE FOLLOWING TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION:

- The applicant organization MUST be registered in NIH's eRA Commons; AND
- The Project Director MUST have an active eRA Commons account (with the PI role) affiliated with the organization in eRA Commons.

Applicants also must register with the System for Award Management (SAM) and Grants.gov.

Required Activities

As the purpose of this program is to implement evidence-based programs to support individuals in substance use disorder treatment and recovery to live independently and participate in the workforce, you must demonstrate your ability to partner with local stakeholders, which may include local employers, community stakeholders, the local and state workforce development boards, local and state governments, and Indian tribes or tribal organizations.

Assist individuals in recovery from a substance use disorder to transition into the workforce by providing:

- Career services to individuals eligible to receive assistance who are adults or dislocated workers through the one-stop delivery system
- Outreach, intake (which may include worker profiling), and orientation to the information and other services available through the one-stop delivery system
- Initial assessment of skill levels (including literacy, numeracy, and English language proficiency), aptitudes, abilities (including skills gaps), and supportive service needs
- Job search and placement assistance and, in appropriate cases, career counseling; information on in-demand industry sectors and occupations
- Providing information and referrals to specialized business services not traditionally offered through the one-stop delivery system
- Referrals and coordination of activities with other programs and services, including programs and services within the onestop delivery system; workforce and labor market employment statistics relating to local, regional, and national labor market areas; job vacancy listings in labor market areas job skills necessary to obtain the jobs; and opportunities for advancement

Required Activities

Statewide employment and training services, which include:

- Implementing innovative programs and strategies designed to meet the needs of all employers in the state, such as
 worker training programs, customized training, sectoral and industry cluster strategies and implementation of industry or
 sector partnerships, career pathway programs, microenterprise and entrepreneurial training and support programs
- Activities to improve linkages between the one-stop delivery system and all employers in the state
- Business services and strategies that engage employers in workforce investment activities and make the workforce development system more relevant to the needs of state and local businesses
- Develop effective strategies to serve individuals with barriers to employment and coordinate programs and services among one-stop partners
- Develop or identify education and training programs that utilize direct assessment and prior learning assessment that provide credit for prior knowledge, skills, competencies, and experiences
- Implement programs to increase the number of individuals trained and placed in nontraditional employment; and provide access to services through the use of technology
- Assist employers with informing their employees of the resources related to substance use disorders that are available to their employees

Required Activities

Funds must be used to conduct one or more of the following activities:

- Hire case managers, care coordinators, providers of peer recovery support services, or other professionals, as appropriate, to provide services that support treatment, recovery, and rehabilitation, and prevent relapse, recidivism, and overdose, including: the development and strengthening of daily living skills; and counseling, care coordination, and other services, as appropriate, to support recovery from substance use disorders.
- Implement or utilize innovative technologies which may include the use of telemedicine.
- In coordination with the lead state agency responsible for a workforce investment activity or a local board, provide shortterm prevocational training services and training services that are directly linked to the employment opportunities in the local area or the planning region.

Closed Grants/Grants Closing in the Next Week Opportunities to Explore Next Year

Grant Program	Closing Date	Link to Solicitation
FY 2020 Grants to Expand Substance Abuse Treatment Capacity in Adult and Family Treatment Drug Courts	February 4, 2020	https://www.samhsa.gov/sites /default/files/grants/pdf/fy20 adult.family_drug_court_foa modified.pdf
FY 2020 Family Drug Court Program	April 8, 2020	https://ojjdp.ojp.gov/sites/g/fi les/xyckuh176/files/media/do cument/ojjdp-2020-17090.pdf
FY 2020 Juvenile Drug Court Program	April 13, 2020	https://ojjdp.ojp.gov/sites/g/fi les/xyckuh176/files/media/do cument/ojjdp-2020-17051.pdf

FY 2020 OJP Priority Considerations



BENEFIT HIGH-POVERTY OR PERSISTENT-POVERTY AREAS

Applicants must demonstrate that the individuals who are intended to benefit from the requested grant reside in high-poverty areas or persistent-poverty counties.

A definition is provided in the solicitation.



QUALIFIED OPPORTUNITY ZONE

Applicants must specify how the project will enhance public safety in the specified Qualified Opportunity Zones (QOZ).

For a current list of designated QOZs, see the U.S. Department of the Treasury's resource webpage, accessible at: https://www.cdfifund.gov/pages/o

pportunity-zones.aspx.



RURAL COMMUNITIES

Applicants must describe what makes the geographic service area rural (using U.S. Census or other appropriate government data), how isolated the area is from needed services, and how they will address specific public safety challenges in rural communities.

Next Steps

Fiscal Year 2020

Next Steps Understanding Peer Review

- The review criteria tell you how the applications will be scored and the weight of each section.
- Applications are typically reviewed by three peer reviewers who score your application against the review criteria.

Tip: Think about the scoring when you are deciding how many pages to devote to each section. A section worth 10 percent of the points should not be 10 pages of your 20-page application.

Next Steps

Assessing the Solicitation

- Go to the Funding Toolkit, find the solicitation you are interested in, and download the solicitation.
- Read the entire solicitation to ensure the program aligns with your needs.
- Review the submission process and be aware of the deadline applications cannot be submitted late.
- Register with grants.gov at least three to four weeks in advance of the submission deadline.
- Go to the Funding Toolkit and download the templates we have provided for you.
- Follow the required format in preparing your application.
- Answer every question in full do not skip any portion of a question.
- Articulate if you meet any priority consideration.
- Do not forget any required attachments such as a time/task plan, letters of support, assurances, etc.

Accessing the Toolkit

Resources

- Current and past funding opportunities
- Templates and guidance for specific opportunities
- Virtual technical assistance
- Webinars and podcasts

Current Funding Opportunities

FY 2020 Improving Reentry for Adults with Substance Use Disorders Program

FEDERAL FUNDING AGENCY:

Bureau of Justice Assistance

APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY:

Units of local government, federally recognized Indian tribal government, States, Nonprofit organizations

DUE DATE:

April 27, 2020

FUNDING AMOUNT:

Up to \$900,000

Agency Solicitation:

>> Solicitation

Application Checklist:

» Application Checklist

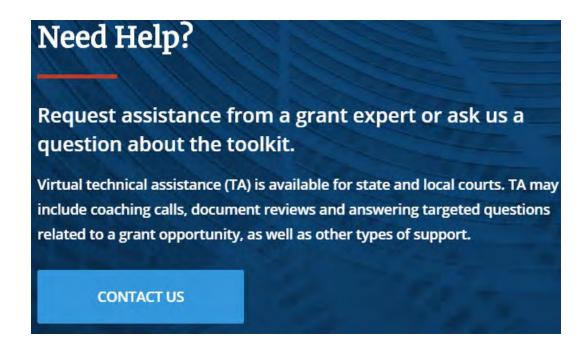
Templates and Guidance Documents:

- >> Abstract
- » Budget and Budget Narrative
- » Program Narrative

Requesting Virtual Technical Assistance

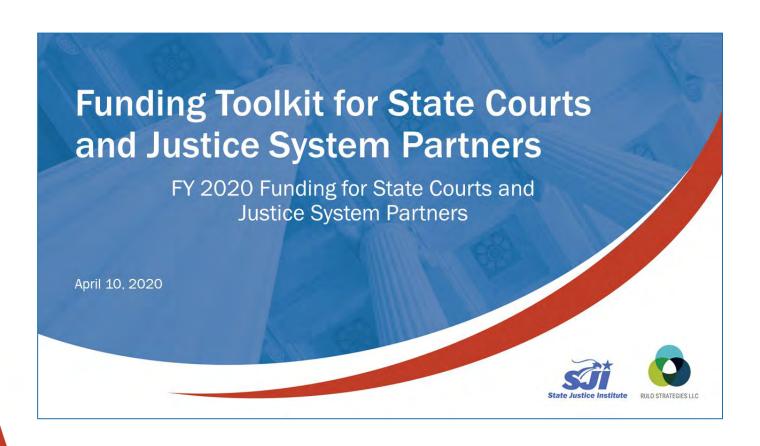
Send TA requests to: fundingtoolkit@sji.gov

- Answer questions via email
- Coaching call to answer questions about the grant process
- Review of a draft application



Virtual Learning

A recording of this webinar and the slides will be posted along with future webinars, podcasts, and additional resources.



Launch of the Toolkit

Please email us questions and suggestions for additional content.

Welcome to the Funding Toolkit For State Courts and Justice System Partners

The toolkit is designed to support local courts, state courts, and their justice system partners as they pursue federal and philanthropic funding opportunities. This toolkit includes resources that encompass the entire grant seeking, writing and management process, such as planning checklists, sample documents, frequently asked questions and fact sheets. Technical assistance is also available to courts to provide support and feedback during the grant writing and development process. Whether you are new to the grant process, have attempted unsuccessfully to write grants in the past, want to know about new funding opportunities, or are honing your grant skills, this toolkit is for you!

Access the toolkit at fundingtoolkit.sji.gov

