FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY AGENCIES AND PARTNERS

The week of 05/19/25





INTRODUCTION

Purpose of Document

This document provides an overview of current federal funding opportunities. It is designed to highlight key information to help jurisdictions evaluate whether to pursue these opportunities. Please refer to the linked Notice of Funding Opportunities (NOFO) as the official source of guidance on application procedures, eligible and allowable expenses, and deadlines. If a funding opportunity appears relevant to your plans, carefully review the NOFO to ensure all requirements are addressed. Many Department of Justice funding opportunities involve a two-step application process, each with its own deadline. These deadlines are detailed within the descriptions.

Audience

The grant programs outlined in this document are open to a range of eligible applicants, including state, local, and tribal government entities, as well as nonprofit organizations. Eligibility varies by program, so it is essential to review the eligibility criteria. If your jurisdiction or organization does not qualify to apply directly, many programs permit and even encourage partnerships through sub-grants or contracts with eligible applicants.

Grant Program Priorities

Please note that many grant programs identify program-specific priorities. See specific instructions in each notice of funding to determine what information is required to receive the priority consideration. This resource will note if a NOFO indicates that there is rural priority or a rural-specific category. The priorities are defined as follows:

Rural-Specific Category

This specifies whether a grant program includes a funding category exclusively for rural jurisdictions. Be aware that each program generally defines "rural jurisdiction" differently, so it is important to carefully review each NOFO to confirm whether your jurisdiction or target audience qualifies. If applicable, the specific language regarding rural categories is included in the grant program description.

Rural Priority

This identifies whether a grant program includes additional priority language prioritizing funding for rural jurisdictions. If applicable, the specific rural priority language is provided in the grant program description.

BJA	Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U.S Department of Justice
COPS	Community Oriented Policing Services, U.S. Department of Justice
OJJDP	Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice
OVC	Office for Victims of Crime
OVW	Office on Violence Against Women
SAMHSA	Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Other Relevant Resources:

While the document links to the most relevant federal funding opportunities for rural jurisdictions and stakeholders, there may be other information available from federal partners to support the process of applying for funding. Please be sure to sign up for grant alerts and access these federal funding pages often. To learn more:

- U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs Current Funding Opportunities
- U.S. Department of Justice, Violence Against Women Current Funding Opportunities
- U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services Current Funding Opportunities
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Current Funding Opportunities

In addition, many federal agencies offer application guidance through webinars and other support services. Below are links to division-specific webinars/resources to support jurisdictions during the funding process.

- Bureau of Justice Assistance Funding Webinars
- Office for Victims of Crime Funding Webinars
- Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention How to Apply for Funding
- Office on Violence Against Women Resources for Applicants
- Applying for a New SAMHSA Grant

Connecting with Researchers:

The Justice Community Opioid Innovation Network (JCOIN) has developed a resource for local jurisdictions to find and connect with researchers called <u>CONNECT</u>. CONNECT is a researcher and practitioner collaboration and discovery tool and aims to help facilitate multidisciplinary research and programmatic collaboration across the health and justice fields. You can browse or search information on researchers, practitioners, publications, and organizations.

Training and Technical Assistance:

If your community is not ready to apply for funding but still needs assistance, keep in mind that many federal agencies offer free training and technical assistance to connect you with subject matter experts to provide training or technical expertise on certain topics. You can request assistance through the following training and technical assistance through the following training and technical assistance to connect you with subject matter experts to provide training or technical expertise on certain topics. You can request assistance through the following training and technical assistance to connect you with subject matter experts to provide the technical expertise on certain topics.

- Bureau of Justice Assistance National Training and Technical Assistance Center
- Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention National Training and Technical Assistance Center
- Office for Victims of Crime Training and Technical Assistance Center

Document Versions:

This document will be updated regularly as new grant programs are announced.

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GRANTS BY TOPIC

IMPROVING POLICING PRACTICES

VIOLENCE PREVENTION

GRANTS BY DUE DATE

JUNE

Community Policing Development (CPD) Microgrants Program



Application Due Dates: Grants.gov: 6/24/25 JustGrants: 6/30/25

Eligible entities:

Local, state, tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies

Total Available Funding: \$8,800,000 Anticipated Number of Awards: 50 Anticipated Award Amount: Up to \$175,000 Length of Project: Up to 2 years Cost Sharing/Match Required? No

Complete details: Community Policing Development (CPD) Microgrants Program

Description:

This program provides funding to implement novel or innovative projects that work to solve problems in the agency or community, to advance crime fighting, community engagement, problem solving, or organizational changes in support of community policing.

The COPS Office hosted an informational webinar on the program on May 25, 2025 at 11:00 AM ET. To learn more, visit <u>here</u>.

What can be funded?

Under this funding opportunity, the COPS Office will fund projects in the following subcategories:

- Uplifting the image of the law enforcement profession
- Violent crime prevention
- Officer recruitment, hiring and retention
- Immigration and border security
- Opioid and drug market interruption
- Homelessness and squatting
- Open topic area: Law enforcement agencies are invited to propose projects that offer highly innovative solutions to address complex, locally identified community issues. Proposed project objectives and findings should prove useful to other law enforcement agencies nationally facing similar challenges.

COPS Anti-Heroin Task Force (AHTF)



Application Due Dates: Grants.gov: 6/25/25 JustGrants: 6/30/25

Eligible entities: State law enforcement agencies

Total Available Funding: \$35,000,000 Anticipated Number of Awards: 9 Anticipated Award Amount: \$4,000,000 Length of Project: Up to 3 years Cost Sharing/Match Required? No

Complete details: COPS Anti-Heroin Task Force (AHTF) Program

Description:

This program provides funding to advance public safety by providing funds directly to state law enforcement agencies in states with high per capita rates of primary treatment admissions for the purpose of locating or investigating illicit activities through statewide collaboration relating to the distribution of heroin, fentanyl, or carfentanil, or to the unlawful distribution of prescription opioids.

The COPS Office hosted an informational webinar on the program on May 20, 2025 at 11:00 AM ET. To learn more, visit <u>here</u>.

What can be funded?

The Accreditation program awards funding for law enforcement agencies to complete the process of accreditation. To obtain accreditation, a law enforcement agency must ensure all policies and procedures are of the highest standards and in compliance with those defined by the accreditation entity.

- Funding is available to states with high per capita rates of primary treatment admissions for heroin, fentanyl, carfentanil, or other opioids.
- Funding must be used to locate or investigate illicit activities through statewide collaboration related to the distribution of heroin, fentanyl, or carfentanil or the unlawful distribution of prescription opioids.
- The program is open only to state law enforcement agencies with primary law enforcement authority over heroin, fentanyl, carfentanil, and other opioids seizures and investigations.

COPS Anti-Methamphetamine Program (CAMP)



Application Due Dates: Grants.gov: 6/25/25 JustGrants: 7/2/25

Eligible entities: State law enforcement agencies

Total Available Funding: \$16,000,000 Anticipated Number of Awards: 16 Anticipated Award Amount: \$1,000,000 Length of Project: Up to 3 years Cost Sharing/Match Required? No

Complete details: COPS Anti-Methamphetamine Program (CAMP)

Description:

This program provides funding to advance public safety by providing funds directly to state law enforcement agencies in states with high seizures of precursor chemicals, finished methamphetamine, laboratories, and laboratory dump seizures for the purpose of locating or investigating illicit activities such as precursor diversion, laboratories, or methamphetamine traffickers.

The COPS Office hosted an informational webinar on the program on May 20, 2025 at 11:00 AM ET. To learn more, visit <u>here</u>.

What can be funded?

The funding must be used to locate or investigate illicit activities such as precursor diversion, laboratories, or methamphetamine traffickers. The program is open only to state law enforcement agencies authorized by law to engage in or to supervise anti-methamphetamine investigative activities.

COPS Hiring Program (CHP)



Eligible entities:

State and local law enforcement agencies, units of local government and federally recognized tribes

Total Available Funding: \$156,600,000 Anticipated Number of Awards: 9 Anticipated Award Amount: \$4,000,000 **Length of Project:** Up to 3 years Cost Sharing/Match Required? Yes, 25% match unless a waiver is approved.

Complete details: COPS Hiring Program (CHP)

Description:

This program provides funding directly to law enforcement agencies to hire and/or rehire additional career law enforcement officers in an effort to increase their community policing capacity and crime prevention efforts.

The COPS Office hosted an informational webinar on the program on May 20, 2025 at 11:00 AM ET. To learn more, visit <u>here</u>.

What can be funded?

- Each award will support up to 75 percent of an officer or deputy entry-level salaries and fringe benefits for three years within a five-year period of performance to accommodate time needed for recruitment and hiring.
- Applicants may request up to 2 percent of the federal award amount for direct costs associated with administering the award.
- Anticipated outcomes awards include engagement in planned community partnerships, implementation of projects to analyze and assess problems, implementation of changes to personnel and agency management in support of community policing, and increased capacity of agency to engage in community policing activities.

Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act (LEMHWA) Program



Application Due Dates: Grants.gov: 6/24/25 JustGrants: 6/30/25

Eligible entities:

State, local, tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies

Total Available Funding: \$8,800,000 Anticipated Number of Awards: 44 Anticipated Award Amount: Up to \$200,000 Length of Project: Up to 2 years Cost Sharing/Match Required? No

Complete details: Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act (LEMHWA) Program

Description:

This program provides funding to support the delivery of and access to mental health and wellness services for law enforcement officers and their families through the implementation of peer support, training, family resources, suicide prevention, stress reduction, clinical support, and other promising practices for wellness programs.

The COPS Office hosted an informational webinar on the program on May 22, 2025 at 11:00 AM ET. To learn more, visit <u>here</u>.

What can be funded?

Allowable uses include:

- 1. Increasing law enforcement agency capacity to provide mental health and wellness training and resources for employees of law enforcement agencies and their families.
- 2. Increasing law enforcement agency capacity to implement peer support networks for crisis and non-crisis circumstances.
- 3. Increasing law enforcement agency capacity to address and reduce the stigma associated with officer mental health and wellness by supporting the implementation of mental health education and development of resources.

Safer Outcomes: Enhancing De-Escalation and Crisis Response Training for Law Enforcement



Application Due Dates: Grants.gov: 6/24/25 JustGrants: 6/30/25

Eligible entities: State, local, tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies

Total Available Funding: \$14,000,000 Anticipated Number of Awards: 40 Anticipated Award Amount:

\$250,000 for agencies with less than 50 officers\$350,000 for agencies with 50-200 officers\$500,000 for agencies with more than 200 officers

Length of Project: Up to 2 years Cost Sharing/Match Required? No

Complete details: <u>Safer Outcomes</u>

Description:

This program provides funding to promote safe outcomes during police encounters with persons in crisis through relevant training. Training is supported for law enforcement officers, support personnel employed by law enforcement agencies, and mental health professionals working on crisis intervention teams as employees of a law enforcement agency or under a legal agreement with a law enforcement agency.

What can be funded?

Supported training programs must address one or more of the following areas of focus.

- De-escalation tactics and alternatives to use of force
- · Safely responding to an individual experiencing a mental or behavioral health or suicidal crisis
- · Safe encounters with individuals with disabilities
- Successfully participating on a crisis intervention team
- · Making referrals to community-based services and support

Supporting Law Enforcement Agencies Seeking Accreditation - Community Policing Development



Application Due Dates: Grants.gov: 6/24/25 JustGrants: 6/30/25

Eligible entities: State, local, tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies

Total Available Funding: \$4,000,000 Anticipated Number of Awards: 16 Anticipated Award Amount: Up to \$250,000 Length of Project: Up to 2 years Cost Sharing/Match Required? No

Complete details: Community Policing Development: Accreditation

Description:

This program provides funding to support law enforcement agencies seeking accreditation. Under this funding opportunity, the COPS Office will fund costs related to obtaining accreditation from an existing law enforcement accreditation entity.

What can be funded?

The Accreditation program awards funding for law enforcement agencies to complete the process of accreditation. To obtain accreditation, a law enforcement agency must ensure all policies and procedures are of the highest standards and in compliance with those defined by the accreditation entity.

VIOLENCE PREVENTION School Violence Prevention Program



Eligible entities:

Law enforcement agencies, units of local government (e.g. counties, cities, school districts), federally recognized Indian tribes and their public agencies, public government agencies.

Total Available Funding: \$73,000,000 Anticipated Number of Awards: 200 Anticipated Award Amount(s): Up to \$500,000 **Length of Project:** Up to 3 years Cost Sharing/Match Required? Yes, there is a local cash match requirement of at least 25 percent.

Complete details: School Violence Prevention Program (SVPP)

Description:

This program provides funding to improve security at schools and on school grounds in the jurisdiction of the grantee through evidence-based school safety programs and technology.

The COPS Office will host an informational webinar on the School Violence Prevention Program on May 8, 2025 at 1:00 PM ET. Register <u>here</u>.

What can be funded?

Funding will provide for the following school safety measures in and around K-12 (primary and secondary) schools and school grounds:

- Coordination with law enforcement
- · Training for local law enforcement officers to prevent student violence against others and self
- Metal detectors, locks, lighting, and other deterrent measures
- Technology for expedited notification of local law enforcement during an emergency
- Any other measure that the COPS Office determines may provide a significant improvement in security.